

**KINGWOOD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Regular Meeting – April 26, 2011

TIME AND PLACE: The regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on March 22, 2011, by the Board of Education of the Kingwood Township School District, Hunterdon County, in the Kingwood Township School Library, 880 County Road 519, Frenchtown, New Jersey 08825.

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE: In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Laws of 1975, the Kingwood Township Board of Education has provided adequate notice of the date, time, and location of this meeting. Such notice has been posted in the Kingwood Township Board of Education Office, has been filed with the Kingwood Township Clerk, and was mailed to the *Hunterdon County Democrat* on February 3, 2011.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Board Vice President, Kevin Bloom at 7:37 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present:	Kevin Bloom, Vice President	David Oertle
	Joseph DePinto	Anthony Planer
	Gary Karlsrud	Lance Riggio
	Karen Love-Mathieu	Laurie Willard

Absent: Mary Ellen Pilch, President

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS

PRESENT: Rick Falkenstein, Chief School Administrator
Bobbie Beriont, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC:

Diane Morris, NJSBA, to give an update on the 2010-2011 Board Self Evaluation.

Teachers: Diane Plytynski and Deb Ross

Mr. Scott Yerger, Assistant Principal and Dr. Leslie Callanan gave a presentation to the Board on the new Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Law.

Dr. Leslie Callanan thanked The Eden Family of Services for their donation of the PreK to 8th Grade Autistic Curriculum.

SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECT – B. Beriont

Mrs. Beriont discussed the following informational items:

- NJSBA Delegation Assembly - May 14, 2011
- Letter from Fogarty & Hara dated March 31, 2011
- Board Member Profile & Committee Requests

Action 11-249

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following Meeting Minutes:

*March 22, 2011 – Regular Meeting Minutes
March 22, 2011 – Executive Session Minutes*

Moved by Lance Riggio, seconded by A. Planer. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows ayes, 7; nays, 0; Abstain 1(DePinto).

Action 11-250

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the March 2011 Payroll and FICA as follows:

<i>March 2011 Net Payroll</i>	<i>\$233,378.39</i>
<i>March 2011 Agency</i>	<i>\$157,965.32</i>
<i>March 2011 Board Share FICA</i>	<i>\$27,685.58</i>
<i>March 2011 Board Share DCRP</i>	<i>\$88.46</i>
<i>TOTAL PAYROLL MARCH 2011:</i>	<i>\$419,117.75</i>

Moved by Lance Riggio, seconded by A. Planer. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-251

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following bill list:

April 2011 General Fund.....\$224,250.31

Moved by Lance Riggio, seconded by A. Planer. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-252**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the March 2011 line-item appropriation transfers attached to and made a part of these minutes. Moved by Lance Riggio, seconded by A. Planer.

Action 11-253**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board Secretary, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A: 23-2.11 (c) 3 does hereby certify that as of the date of these reports, no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A: 23-2.11 (a);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief School Administrator recommends that the Kingwood Township Board of Education accept the monthly financial reports of the Secretary and the Treasurer for the month(s) of March 2011; and further recommends, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A: 23-2.11 (c) 4, that the Board of Education certifies that no major account has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A: 23-2.11 (b), and that as of this report sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the year.

Moved by Lance Riggio, seconded by A. Planer. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows ayes, 8; nays, 0.

CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – R. Falkenstein

Dr. Falkenstein held a Public Hearing on the Internet Safety Policy – there was no public input.

Dr. Falkenstein discussed the following informational items:

- Student Enrollment
- Monthly Staff Reports
- Thank You to Mr. Yerger – The Knight's Challenge
- Kingwood Knights Jazz Band Rated Superior at Alexandria Jazz Fest
- Four Destination Imagination Teams Competed – One Winning the DaVinci Award
- Thank You to the PTA for Bedtime Stories
- Hunterdon Prevention Resources working with our Health Classes
- Volunteer Reception was held
- KTEF Gala
- Assessments
- Progress towards Goals
- Discipline
- Meetings Attended

Action 11-254**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following resolution:

***WHEREAS**, Karen Love-Mathieu has been an very active member of the Kingwood Township community and has served with distinction on the Kingwood Township Board of Education from April 2008 through April 2011; and*

***WHEREAS**, Karen Love-Mathieu has exhibited the highest standards while serving as a member of the Education Committee, Communication Committee, Finance Committee and Policy Committee; and*

***WHEREAS**, Karen Love-Mathieu served as the Board of Education Representative to the Kingwood Township PTA and has exercised outstanding leadership and communication skills to members of the Kingwood community, specifically during the many financial and educational changes that have taken place in the District over the last three years; and*

***WHEREAS**, Karen Love-Mathieu gave unselfishly of her time, experience, and knowledge to provide all Kingwood Township School students with an outstanding educational experience;*

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Kingwood Township Board of Education expresses its sincere and grateful appreciation to Karen Love-Mathieu for her exceptional service and dedication to the children of Kingwood Township; and*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution shall be presented to Karen Love-Mathieu and spread upon the minutes of the April 26, 2011 meeting of the Kingwood Township Board of Education.*

Moved by A. Planer, seconded by J. DePinto. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-255**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following resolution:

***WHEREAS**, David Oertle has been a very active member of the Kingwood Township community and has served with distinction on the Kingwood Township Board of Education from April 2005 through April 2011; and*

***WHEREAS**, David Oertle has exhibited the highest standards while serving as a member of the Education Committee, Finance Committee, Operations Committee, Personnel Committee and Policy Committee; and*

***WHEREAS**, David Oertle served as chair of the Finance Committee and has*

exercised outstanding leadership and communication skills to members of the Kingwood community, specifically during the many financial and educational changes that have taken place in the District over the last six years; and

WHEREAS, *David Oertle served as a member of the Negotiations Committee and gave unselfishly of his time, experience and knowledge to work with the teachers' negotiation committee and other members of the board committee to negotiate a fair and equitable contract; and*

WHEREAS, *David Oertle served as a representative for the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission; and*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED *that the Kingwood Township Board of Education expresses its sincere and grateful appreciation to David Oertle for his exceptional service and dedication to the children of Kingwood Township; and*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED *that a copy of this resolution shall be presented to David Oertle and spread upon the minutes of the April 26, 2011 meeting of the Kingwood Township Board of Education.*

Moved by A. Planer, seconded by J. DePinto. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows ayes, 8; nays, 0.

2010-2011 School Goals:

- The district will analyze NJ ASK mathematics scores and language arts to identify an area in need of improvement.
- The district will develop a standards-based curriculum through Atlas Mapping software.
- The district will implement a cohesive and systematic process to analyze data to drive instruction.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE - Update on Meeting

Action 11-256

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education establishes the student activity fee for the 2011-2012 school year at \$50 per student for sports activities and \$30 for co-curricular activities. Moved by G. Karlsrud, seconded by L. Riggio. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-257

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following extended school year programs and receiving tuition rates as follows:

*Pre-K (H) - \$1,000 (1/2 day session)
 Elementary Program (1/2 day) - \$1,000
 Tuition rates exclude speech services, occupational and physical
 therapy.*

Moved by G. Karlsrud, seconded by L. Riggio. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-258**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the revised 2011-2012 school calendar. Moved by G. Karlsrud, seconded by L. Riggio. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-259**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the Kingwood Township Board of Education to sponsor a \$100.00 bond, accompanied by a plaque (costing \$13.50), recognizing the "Highest Academic Achievement" of an eighth grade student. Moved by G. Karlsrud, seconded by L. Riggio. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-260**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts a donation of a full set of curricula (estimated value \$1,000) for students with autism from the The Eden Family of Services. Moved by G. Karlsrud, seconded by L. Riggio. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-261**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following fundraiser:

Sell Mother's Day Cards – Student Council

Moved by G. Karlsrud, seconded by L. Riggio. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-262**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the 2011-2012 10-month receiving tuition rate for the following:

<i>Pre-School – Disability</i>	<i>\$8,000 (1/2 Day Session)</i>
<i>Pre-School – Regular</i>	<i>\$3,000 (1/2 Day Session)</i>
<i>Multiple Disability</i>	<i>\$16,000</i>

Moved by G. Karlsrud, seconded by L. Riggio. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-263**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts a \$25 donation towards the Music Program from Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Cascio. Moved by G. Karlsrud, seconded by L. Riggio. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows ayes, 8; nays, 0.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**Action 11-264****RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Rick Falkenstein as Chief School Administrator, as per his four year contract, for an annual salary of \$143,500 effective July 1, 2011. Moved by D. Oertle, seconded by G. Karlsrud. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-265**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the travel and related expense reimbursement as listed on the attached Board of Education Approval of Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement Form and Teacher Workshop Reimbursement Form. Moved by D. Oertle, seconded by G. Karlsrud. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 8; nays, 0.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – Update on Meeting.**Action 11-266****RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the 2011-2012 YMCA School Age Child Care Program Contract with a facility use charge of \$25.00 per day. Moved by K. Love-Mathieu, seconded by J. DePinto. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-267**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves to the facility use fees, as per Regulation #7510 - Use of Facilities, to \$50 per hour for weekdays and Saturdays and \$100 per hour for Sundays, effective July 1, 2011. Moved by K. Love-Mathieu, seconded by J. DePinto. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-268**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves a facility use fee for Ronald Heck Karate Program for the 2011-2012 school year at a rate of \$25 per hour for weekdays, as per Regulation # 7510 – Use of Facilities. Moved by K. Love-Mathieu, seconded by J. DePinto. On

roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-269

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Participation in Coordinated Transportation with the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission for the 2011-2012 school year. Moved by K. Love-Mathieu, seconded by J. DePinto. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-270

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the attached change order with Envirocon, LLC the Replacement of the Main Office HVAC in the amount of \$13,890.80. Moved by K. Love-Mathieu, seconded by J. DePinto. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-271

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Applied Water Management, Inc. for evaluation of the ammonia nitrate as per the Administrative Consent Order with the NJDEP, in the amount of \$3,600.00. Moved by K. Love-Mathieu, seconded by J. DePinto. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-272

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves to waive the facility use fees for the PTA Book Fair on Saturday, April 16, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Moved by K. Love-Mathieu, seconded by J. DePinto. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 8; nays, 0.

Action 11-273

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS the solicitation of proposals for Food Service Management Services for the Kingwood Township Board of Education for the 2011 - 2012 school year yielded the following results:

*Pomptonian Food Service
3 Edison Place
Fairfield, NJ 07004-3511.....Declined RFP*

*Sodexo
1320 Greenway Drive
Irving, TX 75038.....Declined RFP*

Moved by K. Love-Mathieu, seconded by J. DePinto. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 8; nays, 0.

POLICY COMMITTEE – Update on Meeting

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Action 11-276

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves to close the following Skylands Community Bank Account and transfer the funds, \$75,000 plus interest, to the General Fund Money Market Account:

Maintenance Reserve Money Market Account #309000807

Moved by L. Riggio, seconded by G. Karlsrud. On roll call vote, resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 8; nays, 0.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Hunterdon County School Boards – No Update
- School Boards Association – No Update
- Hunterdon County ESC – No Update
- KTS PTA – Update on Meeting
- KTEA – Update on Meeting

Action 11-276

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education entered Executive Session at 8:36 p.m. to discuss negotiations with the KTEA. Moved by D. Oertle, seconded by K. Love-Mathieu. Resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes, 8; nays, 0.

The Board returned to open session at 8:55 p.m. All Board members were present.

NEW BUSINESS - None

OLD BUSINESS - None

**RECOGNITION
OF THE PUBLIC:**

Teachers: Diane Plytynski & Deb Ross

Action 11-277

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m. Moved by A.

Planer, seconded by G. Karlrud. Resolution was ADOPTED as follows: ayes 8; nays, 0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bobbie Beriont
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Minutes prepared 05/03/11
Minutes remain unofficial until Board approval.

Approved:

Board President