

December 12, 2024 at 9:45 a.m.

The Kelleys Island Board of Education met in regular sessions for the transaction of business. The following members responded to roll call: Mrs. Debra Haig, Mrs. Kathleen Phinney, Miss Abbey Rosado, Mrs. Janet Wermuth and Mrs. Nataliya Makarova Skeans.

Deb Haig, Board President, led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Nataliya Skeans and seconded by Kathey Phinney to approve the agenda plus noted additions as presented.

Roll Call: Skeans, yes; Phinney, yes; Rosado, yes; Wermuth, yes; Haig, yes.

Motion Passed.

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Agenda

Educator Report:

1. Second Graders have been embracing the holiday season in social studies class in their "Holidays Around the World" unit. It has been so fun and informative to learn about other cultures and customs!
2. All students have been continuing to practice instrumental music, gaining skills in individual instruments. They have also been hard at work with Dr. Tracy, preparing for the Holiday Pageant. We can't wait to see their hard work shared with the community!
3. Students and staff traveled to the mainland on November 26 for a day of volunteering. We first toured the Erie County Humane Society and dropped off a check for \$1,468.00. This marked the end of the fall fundraiser the students were running. We are very proud of their efforts and the work they put into this cause! Next we went to the Victory Kitchen where we helped prepare food for the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday. Students did a great job shredding turkeys, packing boxes with food, and doing the dishes. We were treated to a Cameo pizza lunch that also featured a tour of the facility as well as career information for any future entrepreneurs.
4. Students will share a presentation with school staff, board members, and parents/family members on December 18. This presentation will focus on highlighting information about our educational experiences off-island this fall!
5. Quarter 2 ends on December 20. Winter break will span from 12/23-1/3/25.
6. Prior to break, students and teachers will enjoy some Christmas and holiday-themed games, P.E. activities, and STEM challenges.

Ben Ohlemacher, Superintendent, shared the following information:

General Updates:

1. Preschool licensing remains in progress. Certificate of occupancy application is in process with The Ohio Department of Commerce Division of Industrial Compliance and Labor.
2. The final Facebook staff spotlight will appear next week.
3. Smartboards have been delivered.
4. Gymnasium wall pads have been delivered.
5. KI School [Merchandise](#) online store. BSN [Agreement](#) language.
6. Erie County Sheriff Sigsworth will be visiting KI School on 12/18/24.
7. Amplex business phone line update.
8. The KI School Wild School Site flag flown over the Ohio State House on 9/13/24 will be displayed in KI School.
9. JDM outdoor classroom site [survey](#) work was completed on Friday, December 6th by Contractor's Design Engineering.
10. I will be meeting with Sandusky Library leadership to discuss potential for updates to the KI Library. Feedback or suggestions would be appreciated.
11. KI School Garden has received quotes for demolition (\$900) and construction (\$13,660). There is someone willing to donate for the cost of demolition and construction but can only donate to a 501(c)3. Discussion regarding the future of the garden, drafting procedures and rules will be developed.
12. KI School received a thank you [letter](#) from the Erie County Humane Society.
13. Sandusky Register [article](#).
14. Wall of Fame: [65"Quote](#) [75"Quote](#) [Wall of Fame Gallery](#) In the event this is a project to be completed in time for spring/summer, approval would be needed at a January board of education meeting.
15. Updated KI [Facility](#) Plan
16. Final input for 2025 Tax [Letter](#)

Upcoming KI School Field Trips:

KI Christmas Potluck: December 14th @ 6pm in KI Townhall

Student Presentations: December 18th @ 2:30pm in the KI Library

It was moved by Nataliya Skeans and seconded by Abbey Rosado to approve the following:

- approve the minutes of the November 21, 2024 regular meeting as presented.
- approve the financial reports for November 2024 as presented.
- employ Jackie Polofka as a substitute teacher, as needed, for the 2024-2025 school year.
- adopt revised Policy 6320 Purchasing and Bidding as presented.

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Consent
items

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- approve the Now and Then expense to NEOLA in the amount of \$300.00 for time spent with Jeff Patterson, NEOLA representative.
 - approve the following board meeting dates for 2025:
 - January 9 Organization Meeting, Budget Hearing and Regular Monthly Meeting
 - February 18 Regular Monthly Meeting
 - March 13 Regular Monthly Meeting
 - March 18 Special Meeting – Strategic Plan Review
 - April 10 Regular Monthly Meeting
 - May 8 Regular Monthly Meeting
 - June 12 Regular Monthly Meeting
 - July 10 Regular Monthly Meeting
 - August 14 Regular Monthly Meeting
 - September 11 Regular Monthly Meeting
 - October 9 Regular Monthly Meeting
 - November 13 Regular Monthly Meeting
 - December 11 Regular Monthly Meeting
 - appoint Janet Wermuth as President Pro Tempore for the period January 1, 2025 until the organizational meeting for 2025.
 - set January 9, 2025 as the organizational meeting/budget hearing/regular meeting date at 9:45 a.m. for calendar year 2025.
 - approve the JDM Structures quote in the amount of \$48,870.72 for a 16 x 24 treated wood pavilion as presented.
 - approve the quotes from Shaw Property Management LLC for demolition of old school garden and construction of new school garden.
- Roll Call: Skeans, yes; Rosado, yes; Phinney, yes; Wermuth, yes; Haig, yes.
 Motion Passed.

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Adjourn

It was moved by Nataliya Skeans and seconded by Kathey Phinney to adjourn.
 Roll Call: Skeans, yes; Phinney, yes; Rosado, yes; Wermuth, yes; Haig, yes.
 Motion Passed.

Deb Haig declared the meeting adjourned.

The board adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Board President

Board Treasurer