

Governing Board Minutes
February 18, 2026
Via Zoom/ in person

Call to Order: In the absence of President Dederling, Vice President Sixel called the meeting to order at 9:31 AM. Voting members Reiter, Sixel, Rebne, Palmer, and Billmann were present. Advisory member Sue Steiner was present later in the meeting. Dennis Dederling and Vicmary Molina were absent. Also present were Principal Sarah Scovell-Muraski and Program Director Jen Owen.

Secretary Report: On a motion by Elaine Reiter with a second by Lexi Rebne the minutes as presented by Secretary Palmer were unanimously approved.

Treasurer Report:

Secretary Reiter notes: Treasurer Reiter noted payouts of instructional and non-instructional salaries and benefits for both BTLVA as well as some smaller amounts for supplies for both schools. On a motion by Faye Billmann with a second by Eileen Palmer, the treasurer's report was unanimously approved.

Kiel ESchool Report

Open Enrollments Continue
42 (36 OE, 6 Resident)
117 Partner students (-14) FT
PT 37
1 PT OE

Students with IEP's: 12
8 OE/R
4 Partner
Total Students: 159 FT

KHS enrollments:125 (current) PT

Between the Lakes Virtual Academy Report

Open Enrollments Continue
31 (R4, 27 OE) (+2)
61 partner students (-3)
12 PT partner (Spanish cohort/other) enrollments

Students with IEPs: 19
Students with SLP: 4
Total FT Students: 92
Total students in BTLVA: 104
Total students with IEPs (with eSchool)
29 (4 SLP only)

Partnerships

Barron
Brillion
Genoa City (4K-8)
Herman-Neosho-Rubicon (HNR)
Horicon*
Hustisford
Luxemburg-Casco
Mishicot
Oostburg
Portage
Pulaski
Racine United
Random Lake
West DePere
Weston
Whitefish Bay
Winneconne
St. Thomas Aquinas
Fall River
Howard-Suamico
Mt Horeb
Neenah Joint SD
Mayville
Inquiries: Fond du Lac

Tell Me Something Good

Great Parent Feedback was received.
Awesome Field Trip/events –THANK YOU KEEF!
EAA & Planetarium visits were engaging and well attended.

Old Business:

A Peek into the Virtual Program: Failure to Participate Procedure Update:

If a student is missing more than 5 times in any class or 10 altogether, parents receive this information a total of up to 3 times:

Dear Parents of

This letter is in regard to the enrollment of your child, _____ in the Kiel eSchool.

You are receiving this letter for the following reasons:

____ **Warning:** You are receiving this letter as a warning that your child is failing to participate with the directives and expectations of the school as indicated below. This is your child's **first** Failure to Participate Warning. *After three Failure to Participate*, your child will be reassigned to the Kiel High School or your resident district.

____ **Termination of Enrollment:** You are receiving this letter as a notice of your child's termination of enrollment in the Kiel eSchool due to failure to participate for the reasons indicated below.

Reason(s) for Failing to Participate in the Kiel eSchool:

___ *Missed Scheduled Class Time:* Student does not attend the required class time setup by Local Mentor or Administrator.

X *Not Submitting Work:* Student is not submitting the required work as expected.

___ *Repeated Failures:* Student is failing courses due to not submitting work, not attending class time, not taking an active role in lessons, etc.

___ *Failure to Participate in Required Assessment(s):* Student has not completed the required diagnostic or state assessments.

___ *Misconduct:* Student has repeated violations of Kiel eSchool Policies and Procedures.

Parents also receive calls, emails and reminders from Jen Own and Principal Scovell-Muraski as well as from Success Coaches.

Success coaches have been instrumental in improving rates of completion.

Largest return rate is to KHS.

Grant Update Principal Scovell Muraski reported that, as indicated in the email received by each board member, she has discontinued work on the grant. She is attempting to line up the data she will need so that we can apply next year.

New Business

School Calendar for next year 2026-27

August 3-4 Mandatory in-person PD (Oshkosh)

Sept. 1 – First Day of classes

October 28-29-30 – Term one Final exams

November 5-6 NAGT Conference

November 25-27 Thanksgiving Recess

December 23-Jan 1 – Winter Recess

January 13-15, 2027: Term 2 Final Exams/ end of semester 1

January 18 -Teacher workday

January 19-21 WASB

March 17-18-19 Term 3 final exams

March 22-26 Spring Break

May-24-26 Term 4 final exams

June 7 Summer Session 1 begins.

July 2 End session one / finals

July 6 Session 2 begins.

July 30 End session 2 / finals

(NAGT and WASB conference dates are informational and do not affect student participation in classes).

On a motion by Faye Billmann with a second by Eileen Palmer the calendar was unanimously approved.

Governance Board PD

Principal Scovell-Muraski invited Governing Board members to the Charter School Summit in Oshkosh on June 15-16. [Wisconsin Charter School Summit 2026: Schedule](#)

June/July meeting dates

The June meeting will be held June 3, 2026, at the regular time. The July date was tabled until next month.

Hiring update– Registrar position – Two candidates will be coming in to meet with other members of the district staff. Hopefully these candidates will be in for interviews early in the final week of February.

Adjournment: On a motion by Eileen Palmer with a second by Lexi Rebne there was unanimous support for adjournment at 10:23AM.

Next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday March 11.