

The Kent ISD School Board held a regular meeting at the Kent Conference Center on Monday, August 18, 2025. President Haidle called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Hamming, Featherston, Rettig, Haidle.  
Member Absent: Drake

Kent ISD Staff Present: Superintendent Gorman; Assistant Superintendents Finkel, Gardner, Meyers, Philipps, Rodgers; Directors Arnold, Baine, Behm, Bray, Burns Campbell, Graham, Hendry, Hissong, Houtman, Karsten, Lienesch, Lillis, Maynard, McClintic, Moore, Sneider, Store, Verwey.  
Staff Members: Cinnamon Mellema, Jacob Bandstra, Ryan VanderMolen, Justin Stonehouse, Cody Nosko, Cindy Meyers

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President Haidle welcomed attendees and turned the meeting over to Assistant Superintendent Kevin Philipps to honor the Kent ISD Facilities team with the Leading Learning Award. Facilities Director Russell Bray also shared a few words of appreciation.

Upon motion of Member Hamming, supported by Member Rettig, it was resolved to combine and approve the consent agenda action items D.1-D.13.

Ayes: Featherston, Rettig, Hamming, Haidle  
Nays: None

***Motion declared to have carried.***

Upon motion of Member Featherston, supported by Member Hamming, it was resolved to approve the purchase of PowerSchool MiPSE for the 25-26 school year.

Ayes: Rettig, Hamming, Featherston, Haidle  
Nays: None

***Motion declared to have carried.***

Upon motion of Member Rettig, supported by Member Hamming, it was resolved to approve the annual board policy update for the 25-26 school year.

Ayes: Hamming, Featherston, Rettig, Haidle  
Nays: None

***Motion declared to have carried.***

Upon motion of Member Rettig, supported by Member Hamming, it was resolved to approve the Letter of Understanding to establish Student Growth Criteria.

Ayes: Featherston, Rettig, Hamming, Haidle  
Nays: None

***Motion declared to have carried.***

Upon motion of Member Featherston, supported by Member Hamming, it was resolved to approve the Letters of Understanding between the KIEA and Kent ISD.

Ayes: Rettig, Hamming, Featherston, Haidle

Nays: None

***Motion declared to have carried.***

President Haidle provided the opportunity for public comment. No public comments were given.

President Haidle shared information on the upcoming MASB delegate assembly to be held on October 23 at 7:00 p.m. at the Grand Traverse Resort. The Kent Intermediate Association of School Boards is also hosting a School Board Finance and Legislative Bootcamp on September 30 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the Kent Conference Center.

Superintendent Gorman shared that he was able to visit secondary programs on the first day of school and looks forward to visiting other programs throughout the school year. He also recognized the Facilities team for their excellent work and noted that they are an essential part of the educational process.

Board Member Matt Rettig shared his resignation with the board. President Haidle accepted his resignation from the Kent ISD School board. Superintendent Gorman thanked Matt Rettig for his service to the board and his leadership over the past several years.

President Haidle adjourned the meeting at 4:33 p.m.

Minutes approved on September 15, 2025

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Andrea Haidle, President

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Anne Hamming, Vice-President