

**Kingston City School District
Board of Education
Meeting recap, February 7, 2024**

The Board of Education met on February 7, 2024. The full meeting can be viewed here:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPKr86-1NRw>

Actions coming out of Executive Session

Minute 1:11

- No action coming out of executive session.

Approval of Minutes

Minute 1:18

- January 10, 2024
- January 24, 2024

Public Comment

Minute 2:03

- Issues raised: transportation and busing; safety of playground surface material.

Superintendent's Report

Minute 10:18

District updates:

- Read Aloud Day at Edson.
- Deitz Stadium construction is proceeding on time.
- KCSD has contracted with a new bus company to ensure all bus runs are covered.
- The 2024-2025 school year calendar is in development. The first day of school will be September 4, 2024 (corrected).
- School aid runs from the State budget are in. Kingston will receive an increase in aid, though less than what is proscribed by the foundation formula.
- Raptor visitor program is operational in all KCSD schools.
- Investigating possibilities for unintrusive, effective metal detector technology.

Board of Education Committee Reports

Minute 25:09

- Policy Committee: Workplace Violence Policy; Conditional Appointments; Names on diplomas
- Teaching and Learning Committee: Restorative practices, discipline, student demographics; mental health supports for students; social-emotional learning programming; final exams and Regents scores in final grades.
- Districtwide Parent Group (not an official BOE committee): presentations about new district positions; shared decision-making.

Consent Agenda

Minute 57:24

Approvals of: Professional Personnel, Civil Service Personnel, Business and Operations, Student Services.

Old Business

Minute 59:10

- Playground surfacing.
- Legislative Action Committee.
- Driver's Education at SUNY Ulster, soon as KHS.
- Swim classes for elementary students.
- Lights On Kingston.
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging ad hoc BOE committee.

New Business

Minute 1:25:04

- Transportation study, consideration of school start times.
- Community connection and engagement: programming for Black History Month.

Second Public Comment

Minute 1:31:44

- Playground surfacing.

Board Member Announcements

Minute 1:35:24

- KHS Science Olympiad team headed to states.
- World Read Aloud Day.

Adjourn

Minute 1:36:19

The next BOE meeting will be February 21, 2024 in the Meagher Boardroom. The agenda will be posted on February 16:

The February 21 meeting will feature discussion about the following, among other issues:

- Career-in Touch
- Presentation by the principal of Chambers Elementary School.
- Safety & Prevention Report
- BOE committee reports: Audit and Finance Committee, Facilities Committee.

Upcoming BOE committee meetings, convened in the Meagher Boardroom:

- 2/20, 9:00am: Audit & Finance Committee (rescheduled)
- 2/14, 3:30am: Facilities Committee