

KENNEWICK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
CASCADE ELEMENTARY
SEPTEMBER 11, 2013

M I N U T E S

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dawn Adams, President of the Board, Heather Kintzley, Vice President of the Board; Brian Brooks, Board Member; Ron Mabry, Board Member; Ben Messinger, Board Member; Kaylee McClure, Student Representative to the Board; and Dave Bond, Superintendent and Secretary of the Board.

Cabinet Members: Beverly Johnson-Torelli, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources; Ron Williamson, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education; Greg Fancher, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education; Vic Roberts, Executive Director of Business Operations, and Lorraine Cooper, Director of Communications and Public Relations.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Chuck Lybeck, excused.

CALL TO ORDER

President Dawn Adams called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance with approximately 12 staff and guests in attendance.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM PARENTS, STAFF, AND RESIDENTS

Scott Nielsen, 900 W 26th Ave, Kennewick, expressed concern for parents that have to pay admission into events to watch their children perform in addition to all of the fees and items required to participate.

Mr. Bond explained that Levy dollars are used to support extracurricular programs which cost around two million dollars annually to pay for coaches, officials, and transportation. ASB card fees, participation fees, gate receipts, fundraisers, and parent and community support cover the rest which includes uniforms, game management costs, and some travel. He stated that someone has to pay the cost, and unless the Board wanted to ask the voters to approve higher levy amounts, there weren't a lot of other options.

Board members expressed empathy from a parent perspective and felt it could be helpful if parents were provided cost and funding information. It was noted that Kennewick School District is consistent with other schools across Washington State.

Mr. Nielsen also requested that the district look into assisting with the development of the Southridge music program.

Wayne Rettig, 707 W 27 Avenue, Kennewick, asked if the Board felt it was appropriate for a kindergartener to walk a half mile to a bus stop and asked for a bus to go thru Pheasant Run.

Dave Bond responded that the district is reimbursed by the state for busing within certain guidelines. Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education, Greg Fancher, met with Mr. Rettig to evaluate extenuating circumstances and possible options.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Mrs. Kintzley to approve the consent items as presented.

Seconded by Mr. Brooks.

Roll call vote:	Messinger	aye
	Mabry	aye
	Brooks	aye
	Kintzley	aye
	Adams	aye

Motion carried 5-0.

The consent items were as follows:

- Minutes of Regular Board Meeting August 14, 2013
- Personnel Actions – Certificated, Classified and Extracurricular
- Approval of 2013-2014 KEA Bargaining Agreement
- Approval of 2013-2014 Extracurricular Bargaining Agreement
- Approval of Classified Bargaining Agreements 2012-2013:
 - o Transportation
 - o Nutrition Services
- Curriculum Adoption
 - o Digital Literacy and Citizenship Classroom Curriculum Published by Common Sense Media for Grades K-12 Computer/Internet Safety Instructional Sessions District-wide
- Authorize Site Improvements to the Vineyard Property Adjacent to Amistad

SUPERINTENDENT/BOARD REPORT

Superintendent

Superintendent Dave Bond confirmed who would be attending the Legislative Assembly in Seattle on February 19-21, 2013. Dawn Adams will be representing Kennewick School District.

Board

Brian Brooks noted that although he was unable to attend Legislative Assembly, he had identified topics for Ms. Adams to share on his behalf and encouraged other members to take advantage of this opportunity to have input into legislative issues.

REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Enrollment Report

Vic Roberts shared a history of enrollment and reported that preliminary numbers showed an increase of over 300 FTE students above last year's enrollment. It was noted that two sections of kindergarten had to be added this year and will be closely monitored for future planning.

Cascade Elementary Architect Report

Doug Mitchell gave kudos to the district administrators and staff for the planning process that began in 2008 to develop the educational specifications for five elementary remodels. He gave an overview of the building remodel project. Cascade Elementary is the third school following Southgate and Sunset View to be completed by Madsen-Mitchell Architects. Lincoln Elementary is the fifth school that is now undergoing remodel with projected completion for the 2014-15 school year.

Cascade Elementary Principal Remarks

Principal Chad Foltz shared his appreciation for everyone that made the building a great place for staff, kids, parents and the community.

Dedication of Proclamation

President Dawn Adams read a proclamation dedicating Cascade Elementary School to be used to educate the youth of the Kennewick School District, to provide those students with the skills and knowledge to be successful adults, and to provide the community with an outstanding facility to be used to further other community objectives.

An invitation was extended to tour the building at the conclusion of the meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Dawn Adams moved the Board into executive session at 6:20 for approximately 1 hour per RCW 42.30.110 (1) (g) to evaluate the Superintendent's 2013 goals and RCW 42.30.110 (1) (f) to review a personnel issue. Ms. Adams noted that no further formal action would be taken.

OTHER BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW.

Regular session was reconvened at 7:23 p.m. There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

RECORDING SECRETARY

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

Approved: September 25, 2013