

KENNEWICK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17  
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING  
DECEMBER 18, 2013

MINUTES

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: Chuck Lybeck, Associate Superintendent of Curriculum Services; 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 Robyn Chastain, Director of Communication and Public Relations.

CALL TO ORDER

President Dawn Adams called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance with approximately 75 staff and guests in attendance.

RECOGNITION

Fall Sports Recognition:

Kennewick High School recognized athletes for state level participation in diving.

Kamiakin High School recognized athletes for state level participation in swimming and diving, football, boys' and girls' cross country, and soccer.

Southridge High School recognized athletes for state level participation in girls' cross country, volleyball, swimming and diving.

OATH OF OFFICE

Superintendent Dave Bond administered the oath of office to Dawn Adams and Heather Kintzley.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Legislative Representative

Brian Brooks nominated for the office of Legislative Representative by Ben Messinger and seconded by Ron Mabry.

Nominations closed with no further nominations.

Vote was unanimous for Brian Brooks as Legislative Representative.

**Vice-President**

Heather Kintzley nominated for the office of Vice-President by Brian Brooks and seconded by Ron Mabry.

Nominations closed with no further nominations.

Vote was unanimous for Heather Kintzley as Vice President.

**President**

Dawn Adams nominated for the office of President by Brian Brooks and seconded by Heather Kintzley.

Nominations closed with no further nominations.

Vote was unanimous for Dawn Adams as President.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM PARENTS, STAFF, AND RESIDENTS

None

CONSENT ITEMS

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

Seconded by Mr. Brooks.

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| 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 November 13, 2013
- Personnel Actions – Certificated, Classified and Extracurricular

- Payroll and Vouchers
- Budget Status Report Ending:
  - October 31, 2013
  - November 30, 2013
- Secondary School Improvement Plans
- Approval of Facilities Study and Survey
- Accept 1315 W Fourth Avenue Project as Complete
- Alternative Learning Experience Program Staff Ratio
- Establishment of Air Force JROTC Unit at Kennewick HS

Dave Bond noted out that the School Board had given prior consent for Kennewick HS to make application for a JROTC program and the Air Force had offered them the opportunity.

#### SUPERINTENDENT/BOARD MEMBER REPORT

##### Superintendent

Superintendent Dave Bond shared a copy of the Tried and True School, Family, and Community Partnership publication put out by Sarah Del Toro in Federal Programs as part of the effort to increase Parent Involvement in Title 1 schools.

Superintendent Bond reminded Board Members of the Annual ESD Board Workshop on January 9, 2014 and distributed a folder for them to indicate their attendance.

Due to a schedule conflict of a Board member for the scheduled January 11, 2014 Board Retreat, it was suggested to meet January 15<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 9:00 pm with a continuation to be scheduled if all agenda items couldn't be completed during that time.

Motion by Mrs. Kintzley to approve the change to the Board meeting master schedule.

Seconded by Mr. Brooks

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| Roll call vote: | Messinger | Aye |
|                 | Mabry     | Aye |
|                 | Brooks    | Aye |
|                 | Kintzley  | Aye |
|                 | Adams     | Aye |

Motion carried 5-0.

##### Board Member

Brian Brooks reported his attendance along with Dave Bond and Ron Mabry at the Washington

State School Directors' Association Conference in Bellevue, WA November 21-24, 2013.

Dawn Adams shared that she and Heather Kintzley will be attending the National School Board Association Conference in New Orleans April 5-7, 2014.

## REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS

### Student Instructional Hours Beginning 2014-15

Dave Bond reported on the legislative action requiring 1080 hours of instructional time for secondary students beginning with the 2014-15 school year. Current schedules were reviewed and options explored to increase instructional time to meet the requirement. The impact of the teacher contract, the 5 days early release for seniors each year, the delayed start for inclement weather were pointed out as factors for consideration. Mr. Bond proposed that District Administrators and the KEA representatives develop a survey to gather input from teachers to help formulate a plan to meet the new 1080 hour requirement. Board members received a handout of the commonly asked questions and answers and were in support of administrators and KEA representatives moving forward with developing and conducting a survey and providing recommendations to the Board later in the spring.

### 2012-13 Graduation Statistics

Assistant Superintendent Ron Williamson gave a history of the 2006-07 to 2010-11 on-time and extended graduation rate and the new state reporting system of 4-year and 5 year cohort graduation rate for 2010 through 2013. Mr. Williamson noted that graduation rates have been increasing at our major high schools but that the new state reporting process doesn't count 6<sup>th</sup> year graduates that are being successful in our alternative programs and 5<sup>th</sup> year dropouts can end up counting against the district a second time thus impacting the total district graduation rate.

### 2013-14 Budget Review

Executive Director of Business Operations Vic Roberts gave an overview of the enrollment trends from 2012-13 and 2013-14 and showed the budget impact of the additional revenue generated by a higher enrollment than projected. Revenue and expenditures were outlined and staffing and district needs were highlighted. Mr. Roberts reviewed Capital Fund projects and presented a preliminary list of 2014 summer projects he proposed for getting quotes. The Board was agreeable to doing the projects on the list Mr. Roberts presented, pending acquiring quotes and bringing the final proposal back for consideration at a later date.

### Capital Projects Update

Doug Carl gave an update on the progress of the Lincoln Elementary remodel and the new construction of Eastgate Elementary that is set to go to bid in early February. Eastgate will be a

mirror image of Cottonwood with four additional classrooms. Construction, east of the original school, is scheduled to begin in April with demo of the old building after the end of the school year. Mr. Carl also showed pictures of the completed Ridge View gymnasium project and Southridge High School's seating project to accommodate lunch seating in B-wing.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

## NEW BUSINESS

### Elementary Boundary Revisions

Assistant Superintendent Greg Fancher gave an overview of current elementary school boundaries and outlined the need to revise Lincoln boundaries. He noted that Lincoln currently has the largest population of all of the elementary schools with no room to accommodate future growth from the development of Creekstone, Sagecrest and Copper Ridge. Mr. Fancher proposed a recommendation to move 85 students from Lincoln's northern most boundary into the nearby schools of Westgate and Edison, and bus Copper Ridge students to Southgate until such time as a future elementary is built in the Sagecrest area. With all buildings at capacity and portables on site, it would place additional portables at Westgate which has the room and provides the opportunity for additional support. Options and a plan to communicate changes and gather input from the community were outlined.

Board members expressed concern with the diversity of Westgate and the increased socio economic impact. A request was made for a comparison of the impact with "all" students identified going to Edison, or "all" going to Hawthorne, or some being transported to Cottonwood. In addition, board members asked to see test data, demographics of each school, and the home boundaries of all non-Spanish second-language learners. Board members asked that this topic be continued at the January Retreat.

When asked about bussing Cooper Ridge to another location or choosing another area to bus to another location, Mr. Bond noted that administration was proposing bussing Copper Ridge students to Southgate due to the close proximity to Southgate with a direct transportation route without scattered stops and also providing those students less disruption in the future. He also noted that Copper Ridge students were further away from Lincoln than most other Lincoln students and that Copper Ridge students had only been in that location for just over a year at most.

### Purchase of Portables for 2014-15

Dave Bond reviewed the student populations across the district and the portable needs to accommodate projected student growth for 2014-15. A total of 20 new portables is anticipated, each costing approximately \$120,000 for a total cost of \$2.4 M. Mr. Bond noted that additional

portable space equates to additional staff.

Motion by Mr. Brooks to purchase 20 portables to accommodate growth for the 2014-15 school year.

Seconded by Mr. Mabry.

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| Roll call vote: | Messinger | Aye |
|                 | Mabry     | Aye |
|                 | Brooks    | Aye |
|                 | Kintzley  | Aye |
|                 | Adams     | Aye |

Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion was held about whether to build larger schools in the future or continue to build with the small neighborhood school concept, taking all-day kindergarten and expanding ECEAP programs into account. Mr. Fancher noted that the district will always be behind in building schools because of the difficulty in predicting future growth in an ever changing economy. It was suggested that the district messaging needed to include information around the benefit of small neighborhood schools.

#### WIAA 4A – 3A Identification

Assistant Superintendent Ron Williamson reviewed the process for 4A-3A classification based on enrollment numbers with the largest 67 schools becoming 4A schools and the next largest 67 schools become 3A schools. He noted that fluctuation can occur if schools chose to opt up before the January 7, 2014 deadline. Kamiakin is currently considered 4A. Advantages and disadvantages were pointed out and a recommendation was made to play where each school's enrollment places them with opportunity to opt up based on the individual school's decision. It was also recommended to continue membership in the Mid Columbia Conference (MCC). He reported that both coach and community feedback on the MCC membership has been very positive.

Motion by Mr. Brooks to approve the recommendation to play where each school's enrollment places them and allowing the opportunity to opt up based on the individual school's decision, and to continue membership in the Mid Columbia Conference (MCC).

Seconded by Mrs. Kintzley.

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| Roll call vote: | Messinger | Aye |
|                 | Mabry     | Aye |
|                 | Brooks    | Aye |
|                 | Kintzley  | Aye |

Adams

Aye

Motion carried 5-0.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Dawn Adams announced an end to the business portion of the meeting and moved the Board into executive session per RCW 42.30.110 (1) (b) at 8:55 for approximately 30 minutes to discuss real estate acquisition. She stated that no formal action would be taken.

#### OTHER BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW.

Regular session reconvened at 9:35. There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

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PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

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SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

Approved: January 22, 2014