

KENNEWICK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
OCTOBER 23, 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 Communications 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 11 staff and guests in attendance including the media.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM PARENTS, STAFF, AND RESIDENTS

None.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Mr. Messenger to approve the consent items as presented.

Seconded by Mrs. Kintzley.

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

Motion carried 4-0.

The consent items were as follows:

- Minutes of Regular Board Meeting October 9, 2013

- Personnel Actions – Certificated, Classified and Extracurricular
- Payroll and Vouchers Ending September 30, 2013
- Bid Award – MTS Landscaping and Site Improvement Project

SUPERINTENDENT/BOARD REPORT

Superintendent

Superintendent Dave Bond introduced Robyn Chastain and welcomed her as the new Director of Communications and Public Relations.

Mr. Bond brought attention to the KSD 2012 Annual Report that will be going out to the community next week.

Notice of the Annual National School Board Conference in April 2014 was shared with Board members.

Board

Dawn Adams shared that she and Ben Messenger had the opportunity just prior to tonight's meeting to be introduced to the foreign exchange students attending KSD schools for the 2013-2014 school year.

REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Ten-Year Facilities Plan

Superintendent Dave Bond gave a quick overview of material presented at the last Board meeting covering the ten-year facilities planning process, school capacity, history of growth, current portable count, building condition, and challenges from legislative impact to reduce class size and implement full day kindergarten. He pointed out some of the discussion that the Facilities Committee had engaged in the previous week and that they concurred with the Board on choosing a middle level growth estimate as well as not expanding the number of students and size of our elementary schools. He noted that school board members would be asked to adopt a ten-year plan at the November School Board meeting. To assist them in their decision process, Mr. Bond covered the status of the capital budget and gave feedback from the facilities planning committee on proposed projects with timelines and various options on the order of projects. Along with building a new middle school and remodeling Desert Hills in Phase I, Board members favored option - 1 to build a new elementary in 2015-2016, remodel Westgate in 2016-2017 and build another new elementary school in 2017-2018. They were also in agreement that expanding facilities for Legacy High School and Mid-Columbia Partnership be

included in Phase II. Mr. Bond reviewed both the recent and future projected construction costs, match money received or anticipated to be received on future projects, and current bond rates to be considered in the adoption of Kennewick School District's next ten-year plan.

Ms. Adams asked about the necessity of a third new elementary at the beginning of Phase II. Mr. Bond responded that the Board can make adjustments to the Ten Year Capital Facilities Plan if ongoing evaluations indicate a change is needed.

Mr. Messenger thanked the Facilities Committee for their diligent study and their longevity in guiding the district.

Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) Fall Test Results

Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education Greg Fancher and Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education Ron Williamson reviewed the results of the fall MAP tests. Mr. Fancher requested that the Board consider factors impacting the results such as Common Core changing the scope and sequence of what the district has been doing, the implementation of web-based testing and associated technology challenges, and the demographics of various schools including those with high mobility and low economic populations. District-wide, the number of students scoring at the 50th percentile in reading in Fall testing was down nine percentage points (or an average of one percentage point per grade level) and the number of students scoring at the 40th percentile in math was down six percentage points (or an average of two-thirds of a point per grade level).

Safety Goals

Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education Ron Williamson and Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education Greg Fancher reviewed the student survey results on how safe students feel at school in the various environments. Samples were shared of strategies that schools have developed to address areas where students feel less safe. Board members suggested that schools focusing on the area of "trusted adult", need to include the adult being able to identify certain indicators of students feeling unsafe.

District-wide Curriculum Adoption Update

Associate Superintendent of Curriculum Services Chuck Lybeck gave an update on the sixth year of the district-wide adoption process focusing on K-12 Fine Arts. He shared that the evaluation and selection process were progressing on schedule and the final recommendation from the committee is anticipated for a March Board meeting.

Community Presentation Review

Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education Greg Fancher gave an overview of the Parent Community workshop that offered interactive experiences that allowed parents to become acquainted with the Kennewick School District. Positive feedback and comments received about the event were shared.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Levy Amount Proposal

Executive Director of Business Operations Vic Roberts reviewed the timeline and considerations for setting the levy amount. An overview of the total revenue, expenditures, the fund balance for 2012-2013, and the projected budget for 2013-2014 was given. Levy trends from 2010 -2014 were shown and scenarios were offered for board consideration of the 2015-2016 levy amount. Board members favored setting the rate at \$3.45 per \$1,000 home value which most closely reflects the district need in accommodating growth with the least impact on tax payers.

Motion by Mrs. Kintzley directing Mr. Roberts to prepare a resolution setting levy amounts at \$23.9 million for 2015 and \$24.5 million for 2016 for the Board's consideration at the November 13 regular meeting of the Board.

Seconded by Mr. Brooks.

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

Motion carried 5-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Dawn Adams moved the Board into executive session at 7:35 Per RCW 42.30.110 (1) (g) for approximately 30 minutes to review Superintendent and Cabinet performance goals

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for 2013-2014. No further action of the Board will be taken.

OTHER BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW.

Regular session reconvened at 8:14. There being no business requiring action, President Dawn Adams adjourned the Board at 8:15 p.m.

RECORDING SECRETARY

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

Approved: November 13, 2013