

KENNEWICK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
DECEMBER 9, 2015

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

Cabinet Members: Chuck Lybeck, Associate Superintendent of Curriculum Services; Doug Christensen, 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 25 staff and guests in attendance.

OATH OF OFFICE

Superintendent Dave Bond administered the oath of office to Brian Brooks, Ron Mabry and Ben Messinger.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Election of officers was held per RCW 28A.330.010.

President

Dawn Adams nominated for President by Ron Mabry and seconded by Heather Kintzley.

Nominations closed with no further nominations.

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

Motion carried 5-0.

Vice-President

Heather Kintzley nominated for Vice-President by Brian Brooks and seconded by Ben Messinger.

Nominations closed with no further nominations.

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

Motion carried 5-0.

Legislative Representative

Brian Brooks nominated for Legislative Representative by Ben Messinger and seconded by Heather Kintzley.

Nominations closed with no further nominations.

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

Motion carried 5-0.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM PARENTS, STAFF, AND RESIDENTS

Diana McPherson, 2765 O'Connor Street, Richland asked the School Board to discourage the practice by teachers of giving out candy to students as rewards. President Adams stated that food rewards are discouraged in the School District. Superintendent Bond referenced School Board Policy 8230 and asked Greg Fancher to meet with Ms. McPherson to further discuss her concerns.

CONSENT ITEMS

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

Seconded by Brian 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 November 4, 2015
- Personnel Actions – Certificated, Classified and Extracurricular
- Payroll and Vouchers Ending:
 - October 31, 2015
 - November 30, 2015
- Budget Status Report Year Ending:
 - August 31, 2015
 - September 30, 2015
 - October 31, 2015
 - November 30, 2015
- Curriculum Adoption – *A Long Walk to Water*, Author Linda Sue Park, Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt to be used in grade 9 Language Arts classes at Southridge High School
- Secondary School Improvement Plans 2015-2016
- Approval of Westgate Elementary School Replacement Educational Specification.

SUPERINTENDENT/BOARD REPORT

Superintendent

Superintendent Dave Bond reported that Brian Brooks, Ron Mabry and he had attended the WSSDA Annual Conference in November and gathered lots of good information.

Mr. Bond reported that the Annual Board Workshop will be held at the ESD 123 on January 7th. He asked the Board members to let Kristi know if they plan to attend.

Mr. Bond also reported that the School Board retreat is scheduled for January 13th.

Board

Brian Brooks reported that he enjoyed the WSSDA Annual Conference and he will share more information at the Board retreat in January.

Mr. Brooks also reported that he signed up to help with the legislative conferences but, due to personal reasons, he won't be able to attend the Legislative Conference on January 31st and February 1st. Dawn Adams stated that she would attend in his place.

Ron Mabry reported that he would again serve on the WIAA Basketball Tournament Committee.

REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Graduation Statistics 2014-2015

Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education, Ron Williamson, shared data for the 4-year cohort graduation rates for 2010 through 2015 and 5-year cohort graduation rates for 2009 through 2014. Mr. Williamson noted that 5-year cohort graduation rates at the three major high schools exceeded the 90% goal but he explained that the state reporting process doesn't count 6th year graduates who are finding success in our alternative programs. In 2015, Phoenix High School had two sixth year graduates and Legacy/CBC Academy had 10 sixth year graduates that weren't included in the District's graduation rate calculations. Mr. Williamson credited the Success Coordinators at the high schools and the "We Want You Back" campaign for locating and encouraging high school drop-outs to enroll at our alternative high schools where many are finding success and are graduating.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Middle School #5 Naming

Ron Williamson reminded the Board members that the naming decision was postponed until this meeting so that all of the Board members could be in attendance and participate in the process. Kevin Pierce, Principal of Middle School #5, reviewed the information presented at the November 4th Board meeting and provided a list of the top 25 names, in order of popularity, chosen by the Naming Committee. The top four names were Canyon Creek, Chinook, South Hill, and Summit. Mr. Pierce also provided a list of the top nine names for the mascot.

Motion by Heather Kintzley to name Middle School #5 Ridgeline Middle School.

Seconded by Dawn Adams.

Ms. Adams opened the floor for Board discussion.

Heather Kintzley amended her previous motion to change her name recommendation from Ridgeline Middle School to Summit Middle School.

Seconded by Brian Brooks. President Adams called for a vote to amend the motion.

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

Motion carried 5-0.

After more discussion, President Adams called for a vote on the motion to name Middle School #5 Summit Middle School.

Roll call vote:	Messinger	no
	Mabry	no
	Brooks	no
	Kintzley	no
	Adams	no

Motion failed 5-0.

Motion by Ron Mabry to name Middle School #5 South Hills Middle School.

Seconded by Brian Brooks

Roll call vote:	Messinger	no
	Mabry	aye
	Brooks	aye
	Kintzley	no
	Adams	no

Motion failed 3-2.

Motion by Ben Messinger to name Middle School #5 Chinook Middle School.

Seconded by Dawn Adams.

Roll call vote:	Messinger	aye
	Mabry	no
	Brooks	no
	Kintzley	no
	Adams	aye

Motion failed 3-2.

Motion by Heather Kintzley to reconsider her previous motion and to name Middle School #5 Chinook Middle School.

Seconded by Ben Messinger.

President Adams called for a vote on the motion to reconsider.

Roll call vote:	Messinger	aye
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Mabry	no
Brooks	aye
Kintzley	aye
Adams	aye

Motion carried 4-1.

Motion by Heather Kintzley to name Middle School #5 Chinook Middle School.

Seconded by Ben Messinger.

Roll call vote:	Messinger	aye
	Mabry	no
	Brooks	no
	Kintzley	aye
	Adams	aye

Motion carried 3-2.

Motion by Ron Mabry to name the mascot the Wolves.

Seconded by Brian Brooks.

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

Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Elementary School #15 Naming

Rob Phillips, Principal of Elementary School #15, explained that a committee of six families from Southgate, Cascade and Lincoln Elementary Schools reviewed the more than 240 names submitted online and identified four names for the Board's consideration. Mr. Phillips also provided a list of the top nine choices for the school mascot

Motion by Heather Kintzley to name Elementary School #15 Sage Crest with the mascot of Owls.

Seconded by Brian Brooks.

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

Motion carried 5-0.

Seal of Biliteracy

Associate Superintendent of Curriculum Services, Chuck Lybeck, reviewed the District's current use of the Standards-Based Measurement of Proficiency (STAMP) assessment to determine the placement of 8th grade students in the dual language program into high school Spanish classes and to provide those students high school equivalency credit. He explained that it is a natural extension to be able to provide the same equivalency credit option for all high school students who are able to successfully complete the STAMP or other equivalency assessment. Mr. Lybeck further explained that the Seal of Biliteracy option would also be a natural extension for students who have attained a high level of proficiency in both English and a second language. He noted that students who perform to a certain standard and earn a minimum of four equivalency credits will earn the Seal of Biliteracy which celebrates the gift of bilingualism and helps prepare students for a global economy.

Motion by Ben Messinger to accept the three recommendations to expand the opportunity for all eligible high school students to earn World Language equivalency credit(s), approve the use of the STAMP and other state approved language proficiency assessments (ALTA and WAFLT) to award high school equivalency credit(s) to all eligible students, and approve the Seal of Biliteracy to be awarded for graduating seniors who have met the requirements.

Seconded by Heather Kintzley.

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 7:10 p.m. for approximately 60 minutes per RCW 42.30.110 (1) (b) for consideration of real estate and per RWC 42.30.110 (1) (i) for a legal issue. She noted that no further formal action would be taken. At 8:10 p.m. Ms. Adams extended executive session for an additional 15 minutes.

OTHER BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

Regular session was reconvened at 8:27 p.m. There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

RECORDING SECRETARY

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

Approved: January 13, 2016