

KENNEWICK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
FEBRUARY 12, 2014

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dawn Adams, President of the Board; Heather Kintzley, Vice President of the Board; Brian Brooks, Legislative Representative to the Board; Ben Messinger, Board Member; Ron Mabry, 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.

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

CALL TO ORDER

President Dawn Adams called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance with approximately 12 staff and guests in attendance including the media.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM PARENTS, STAFF, AND RESIDENTS

None.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Brian Brooks to approve the consent items as presented.

Seconded by Ron Mabry.

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

Mr. Bond clarified that the change of dates in the Lease Agreement with Tri-Cities Community Health was at the request of TCCH to satisfy federal requirements of their grant.

Motion carried 5-0.

The consent items were as follows:

- Minutes of Regular Board Meeting January 22, 2014
- Personnel Actions – Certificated, Classified and Extracurricular
- Tri-Cities Community Health Lease Agreement

SUPERINTENDENT/BOARD MEMBER REPORT

Superintendent

Superintendent Dave Bond commented on the school operations levy results. As of February 11, the levy was passing with 61.8% of the vote. Superintendent Bond will provide a more detailed analysis of the voting results to the Board when the election is certified on February 25.

Board Member

Dawn Adams expressed appreciation to the Kennewick Citizens Bond and Levy Committee for their efforts on the school operations levy.

Brian Brooks commented that he recently attended the current legislative session in Olympia with Superintendent Bond and met with legislative members. Overall he felt that it was a positive experience and that legislative members were engaged in their discussions.

Heather Kintzley commented that she participated in the Delta interview process and was impressed.

REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS

24 Credit Graduation Requirement

Superintendent Dave Bond presented information to the Board on a proposed bill that would require 24 high school credits to graduate. The current state requirement is 20 credits and Kennewick School District requires 21. The new law would be implemented for the class of 2019, or current 7th graders. Superintendent Bond explained that one change would increase the required science credits from two to three and would result in the need for additional teachers and lab classroom space. He explained that the bill states that up to two credits may be waived locally for students who have attempted 24 credits, however the word “attempted” has been left undefined and the interpretation may be left up to the district. The district is looking into cost implications to hire more teachers to provide the classes needed to fulfill the new requirement if it should pass. It is currently unknown if this would be an unfunded mandate by the state that would require the district to cover the increased cost.

Seniors Taking Math

Superintendent Dave Bond presented information to the Board about the status of high school seniors taking math. Data showed the number of students in non-college bound (remedial) math, students in college bound math courses and those not taking math their senior year. The Board discussed the impact on students who don't take math classes their senior year and may be required to take non-credit remedial college math classes in college. Board member Ron Mabry suggested that the district ask parents whether they would be favorable to a requirement that students take math their senior year by adding the question to the Navigation 101 parent survey.

Math Goal Update

Assistant Superintendent Chuck Lybeck and Kathy Fisk presented a mid-year report about the status of implementing the 8th Grade Algebra Goal. KSD is currently using a compression model that will be used to prepare students for Algebra in 8th grade. Teachers have been collaborating around Common Core Standards and how to assess student progress. An update will be provided to the Board in June 2014.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Policy 2155 INSTRUCTION: Use of Isolation and Restraint of Students with IEPs and Section 504 Plans, Second Reading

The Board requested a change to the wording of the policy.

Motion by Heather Kintzley to table Policy 2155 INSTRUCTION: Use of Isolation and Restraint of Students with IEPs and Section 504 Plans for second reading.

Seconded by Ben Messinger.

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

Motion to table carried 5-0.

Policy 2166 INSTRUCTION: Highly Capable Programs, Second Reading

Motion by Brian Brooks to approve Policy 2166 INSTRUCTION: Highly Capable Programs for second reading as presented by Chuck Lybeck.

Seconded by Ron Mabry.

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

Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Curriculum Adoption for District-wide K-5 Music

Associate Superintendent Chuck Lybeck gave an overview of the adoption process and shared an advisory on the K-5 Art supplemental materials:

- 123 Draw Series
- Drawing Lessons/Art Lessons/Collage Lessons Series
- Elements & Principles of Design

Mr. Lybeck presented the committee's final recommendation for district-wide K-5 Music:

- Spotlight on Music, published by McMillian/McGraw Hill

Motion by Brian Brooks to adopt the curriculum for district-wide K-5 Music as presented.

Seconded by Heather Kintzley.

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

Motion carried 5-0.

Policy 3430 STUDENTS: Building Emergencies/Evacuations/School Closure, First Reading

Motion by Ron Mabry to approve Policy 3430 STUDENTS: Building Emergencies/Evacuations/School Closure for first reading as presented by Greg Fancher with proposed changes incorporated for second reading.

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.

Policy 3320 STUDENTS: Suspensions or Expulsions, First Reading

Motion by Ben Messinger to approve Policy 3320 STUDENTS: Suspensions or Expulsions for first reading as presented by Ron Williamson with proposed changes as follows:

“The principal shall carefully review the circumstances of the incident and may exercise discretion in the corrective action or punishment rather than implement a zero-tolerance approach.”

Board members also requested that additional information similar to this be added to the Exceptional Misconduct and/or other appropriate policies to provide guidance to Assistant Principals in handling these situations. They also asked that administration bring those possible policy changes to the next meeting so that they could be considered in conjunction with Policy 3320 and Policy 3322.

Seconded by Heather Kintzley.

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

Motion carried 5-0.

Policy 3322 STUDENTS: Short-term Suspension, First Reading

Motion by Heather Kintzley to approve Policy 3320 STUDENTS: Short-Term Suspension for first reading as presented by Ron Williamson with proposed changes as follows:

“The principal shall carefully review the circumstances of the incident and may exercise discretion in the corrective action or punishment rather than implement a zero-tolerance approach.”

Seconded by Brian Brooks.

Roll call vote:	Messinger	aye
	Mabry	aye
	Brooks	aye

Kintzley	aye
Adams	aye

Motion carried 5-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Dawn Adams announced that all formal business of the Board was concluded for the evening and called for an executive session from 7:45 – 8:45 p.m. to conclude a student appeal.

OTHER BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

RECORDING SECRETARY

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

Approved: February 26, 2014