

**KIONA-BENTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 52
1105 DALE AVENUE
BENTON CITY, WASHINGTON 99320**

**Board Minutes of
Monday, August 14, 2022**

Members Present: Dale Thornton, Board Chair
Julie Rheinschmidt, Director
Teddy Bryan, Director
Josh Skipper, Director
Rick Gonzales, Director
Pete Peterson, Superintendent

Members Absent: Drew Raab, Executive Director of Finance

Visitors: See attached.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Thornton called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance conducted.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Director Rheinschmidt and seconded by Director Gonzales.

A vote to approve the agenda with a 5/0 vote.

DELEGATIONS

None.

PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA

New Hires: Steve Woods, MS Head Football Coach

Resignations/Separation/Retirement/Termination: Don Zorn, MS Head Football Coach; Alicia Biddle, MS Asst. Volleyball Coach

The following vouchers as audited and certified by the auditing officer, as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified, as required by RCW 42.24.090, are approved for payment.

AP General Fund- \$127,817.29 Vouchers 1121, 1122, 1123

ASB- \$730.14 Vouchers 1121,1122

Warrants 115835 -115850

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda by Director Bryan and seconded by Director Rheinschmidt.

Vote to approve the amended consent agenda with a 5/0 vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

PRINCIPAL REPORTS

a. KB Primary School

Principal Lisa Upton handed out information to the board and reviewed it.

b. KB Middle School

Principal Chuck Feth shared information about the upcoming date for orientation and open house. Director Bryan asked if lockers would be handed out that day and Mr. Feth stated that they would be individually assigned and communicated the evening of open house.

c. KB High School

Principal Clay Henry handed out information to the board and reviewed it. Mr. Henry introduced Mrs. Gilliland as an admin intern, and he is excited for the new year.

NEW BUSINESS

Insurance Discussion

Mr. Peterson shared that the districts insurance will increase approximately 32.5% this year and about 20% was budgeted. Mr. Peterson stated that this is an issue for smaller districts, but he will be meeting with the agent to discuss coverage and values.

Minutes from 7/24/23, Approval

A motion was made to approve the minutes from 7/24/23 by Director Skipper and seconded by Director Gonzales.

**A vote to approve the minutes from 7/24/23 with a 4/0 vote.
Director Rheinschmidt was absent from the 7/24/23 meeting.**

2023-2024 District Calendar, Approval

A motion was made to approve the 2023-2024 District Calendar by Director Gonzales and seconded by Director Rheinschmidt.

A vote to approve the 2023-2024 District Calendar with a 5/0 vote.

Academic Goal Setting

Director Rheinschmidt shared that she would like to get behind a strategy and aim for a goal that students can reach and is attainable. She stated that feedback from the principals and teachers would be great and a board workshop with an academic goal focus. Director Rheinschmidt stated that having a workshop would give everyone the opportunity to discuss and suggest things, especially with the new curriculum and MAP testing in place. Mr. Peterson thanked Director Rheinschmidt for bringing this up. Board Chair Thornton stated this topic will go under unfinished business for the next meeting and Mr. Peterson will give the board some date options by the end of the week. Director Rheinschmidt asked for ideas to be emailed to her and Mrs. Upton asked to meet with Director Rheinschmidt.

BOARD COMMENTS

Nothing new as of this evening for position applicant. After the election is certified the district will put our information on applying for a board seat. Board Chair Thornton shared that the boundary shift made a difference and possibly look at other modifications to the board seats.

CONVENED

At 7:09 p.m., the Board convened for executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110, Sections (1) (g) performance of a public employee, for approximately 60 minutes with no business to follow. Executive session was extended.

ADJOURNMENT – Regular board meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Dale Thornton, Board Chair

Julie Rheinschmidt, Director

Rick Gonzales, Director

Josh Skipper, Director

Teddy Bryan, Director

Pete Peterson, Superintendent