

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

**Board Minutes of
Monday, July 25, 2022**

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

Members Absent: None.

Visitors: See attached.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Thornton called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the District Board Room and to view via Zoom.

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 Bryan.

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

Delegations

Mr. Peterson introduced Lisa Upton and Chad Smith, each of them gave a brief background of themselves. Mr. Peterson thanked them and stated that the district is extremely fortunate to hire these two.

PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA

New Hires: Chad Smith, HS VP/AD; Richard Lee, HS Asst. Football Coach; Belinda Larez, #18 Special Services Life Skills Para; Brenda Otonicar, #19 Special Services Para; Marcy Grandgeorge, First Grade Teacher

Resignations/Separation/Retirement/Termination: Shafer Murray, MS Asst. Girls Basketball Coach, MS Asst. Football 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.

Payroll General Fund - \$1,692,652.22	Vouchers 18, 1110, 1111
AP General Fund- \$166,963.25	Vouchers 1109, 1112, 1113, 1114, 1115, 1116
ASB- \$20,684.98	Vouchers 1112, 1113, 1116
Warrants 114993-115042	
Financials	

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS (In person, prior written or electronic)

None.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2022-2023 BUDGET

Board Chair Thornton recessed the regular meeting at 6:36.

Mr. Raab reviewed the Power Point of the budget extension for 21-22 and budget for 22-23.

Mr. Raab stated that MSOC revenue projected is \$2,007,764.00 and the total budgeted expenditures are \$2,022,490.00 with a difference of \$14,726.00.

Board Chair Thornton asked if the new curriculum was in this and Mr. Raab stated yes it is.

Director Skipper stated he appreciated the time that was put into the process. Board Chair Thornton stated he appreciated the conservative approach, but thinks enrollment will be higher. Director Rheinschmidt stated she still thinks we need to watch spending and things go through the process with Mona and Drew, but wanted to point out the cuts that have been made with eliminating unused programs and would like to continue to look at ways to save. Mr. Peterson stated David and his team have done a great job eliminating programs that are not needed. Director Rheinschmidt stated she is glad we were able to get the reading curriculum.

No public comment on the extension for 21-22 or budget for 22-23.

Board Chair Thornton closed the public comment and resumed the regular board meeting at 6:59.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Facilities Committee Update

Mr. Peterson stated that the committee is in the process of going through each facility and the goal is to have one member present to the board in early August on what the committee feels needs addressed and what order they should be addressed in. Mr. Peterson stated that timelines and numbers need to be set for the future levy.

NEW BUSINESS

Minutes from 6/27/22, Approval

A motion was made to approve the minutes form 6/27/22 by Director Skipper and seconded by Director Rheinschmidt.

A vote to approve the minutes from 6/27/22 with a 4/0 vote.

Director Bryan was absent from the 6/27/22 meeting.

Resolution 5-2022 General Fund Budget Extension 21-22, Approval

A motion was made to approve resolution 5-2022 General Fund Budget Extension 21-22 by Director Rheinschmidt and seconded by Director Gonzales.

A vote to approve resolution 5-2022 General Fund Budget Extension 21-22 with a 4/1 vote.

Roll Call

Director Rheinschmidt, Yes; Director Bryan, Yes; Director Gonzales, Yes; Director Skipper, No; Board Chair Thornton, Yes

Director Skipper stated he would like a special meeting if we are going to go over budget and will need to use the extension and Mr. Peterson stated that the board will know and a meeting will be held.

Resolution 6-2022 Budget 22-23, Approval

A motion was made to approve resolution 6-2022 Budget 22-23 by Director Skipper and seconded by Director Bryan.

A vote to approve resolution 6-2022 Budget 22-23 with a 5/0 vote.

Roll Call

Director Rheinschmidt, Yes; Director Bryan, Yes; Director Gonzales, Yes; Director Skipper, Yes; Board Chair Thornton, Yes

Director Rheinschmidt thanked Mr. Raab again and stated she really enjoyed the budget presentation. Director Skipper wanted to let the public know that a workshop was held and more questions were asked and answered during that.

City Annex Discussion

Mr. Peterson shared details of the meetings he has attended at City Hall. Mr. Peterson stated he would forward the information on the next meeting to the board as it will be held via Zoom.

BOARD COMMENTS

Director Skipper stated he was glad to see Chad here and welcomed him and that he enjoyed being apart of the hiring process. Mr. Smith said he hasn't been in many interviews with a school board member and thought that was great to see. Board Chair Thornton wished Mr. Smith good luck.

Board Chair Thornton shared that he enjoyed the walk through of the middle school.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Peterson shared the meeting with the reading curriculum representative went well and the cost went down. Director Bryan asked if we were still going to work with Prosser and Mr. Peterson said we will, but it might just be with Mrs. Hanson to bring back information during PLC time. Director Rheinschmidt asked about professional development for Power School and curriculum and Mr. Peterson stated he would share the professional development calendar at the August meeting. Board Chair Thornton asked if Kris got all the options she wanted and Mrs. Hanson stated yes, she did and the company comes to help distribute materials when we receive them; she thanked the board.

Mr. Peterson stated the summer school ended well and they had a fun trip to the bowling alley which he attended and enjoyed watching everyone teaching and having fun.

Mr. Peterson thanked Drew and Mona for the work they put into the budget, he learned a lot from both of them and this was a great process that worked really well this year.

CONVENED

At 7:27 p.m., the Board convened for executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110, Section (g) personnel matters, for approximately 30 minutes. No business to follow.

ADJOURNMENT – Regular board meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Dale Thornton, Board Chair

Julie Rheinschmidt, Director

Rick Gonzales, Director

Josh Skipper, Director

Teddy Bryan, Director

Pete Peterson, Superintendent