

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

**Board Minutes of  
Monday, November 13, 2023**

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

Members Absent: None.

Visitors: See attached.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Director Skipper 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 Bryan and seconded by Director Gonzales.**

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

**DELEGATIONS**

Mr. Peterson introduced high school girls soccer coach Emily Raab. Coach Raab gave the board a recap on how the season finished out.

**PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA**

New Hires: Alex Brumbaugh, MS CAVE Advisor; Don Zorn, Non-Continuing MS Homework Center; Kayla Jones, #2 Temp. Kitchen Helper  
Resignations/Separation/Retirement/Termination: Tyler Earley, MS Boys Asst. Wrestling Coach; Kerri Bird, ASB Activity/Junior Class Advisor

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- \$207,819.44	Vouchers 1021, 1023, 1024
ASB- \$10,723.18	Vouchers 1022,1024
Warrants 116030 -116064	

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

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Kim Phillips addressed the board about bullying at the schools.

Jennifer Kinnison addressed the board about the potential of a cheer program at the middle school and how that might look. Director Skipper stated that the board would follow up if they had any questions.

## **PRINCIPAL REPORTS**

### **a. KB Primary School**

Principal Lisa Upton handed out information to the board and reviewed it. Board Chair Thornton asked about the Dual Language conference and Mrs. Upton stated they were not able to attend but they are looking at one in January.

### **b. KB Middle School**

Principal Chuck Feth was absent from the meeting.

### **c. KB High School**

Principal Clay Henry shared information about multiple events happening at the high school. He also thanked Director Skipper for coming to visit the high school.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Football Ejection**

Mr. Hansen gave a Winter sports overview and shared his view on how well the girls soccer program did this year. Mr. Hansen stated that Coach Powers, Sarah, Caiden's mom, and Caiden were in attendance. Mr. Hansen shared that he has had multiple conversations with Caiden, and he gets it and to remember what it takes for a young person to be up here and share what happened. Caiden explained what happened in the football game against Wahluke and stated it wouldn't happen again. He thanked the board, and the board thanked him.

### **Minutes from 10/23/23, Approval**

**A motion was made to approve the minutes from 10/23/23 by Board Chair Thornton and seconded by Director Gonzales.**

**A vote to approve the minutes from 10/23/23 with a 3/0 vote.**

**Director Skipper and Rheinschmidt were absent from the 10/23/23 meeting.**

### **Bus Route, Discussion**

Mr. Peterson shared the board received a rundown of what the changes as of now are and he invited Mr. Adamson to explain more if the board had questions. Mr. Adamson stated that per the Fall STARS report our numbers show at least one slot can be dissolved. Board Chair Thornton stated that moving stops off Highland to Thunder is probably better for safety and Mr. Adamson agreed. Mr. Peterson stated he appreciated Mr. Adamson's foresight into this.

### **Board Workshop, Discussion**

Mr. Peterson shared that a workshop would need to be held in January with Catherine Carrison and she is unavailable on the 19<sup>th</sup>. He asked the board to look at their calendars for one of the other Fridays and we will come back to this at another meeting.

## **BOARD COMMENTS**

Director Skipper shared he continues to visit schools and thanked all the principals, staff and students for allowing him to step into classrooms and watch everyone in action. He stated that it has been great to see and is looking forward to continuing the visits.

## **CONVENED**

At 7:02 p.m., the Board convened for executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110, Sections (1) (g) performance of a public employee, for approximately 30 minutes with no business to follow. Executive session was extended.

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

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**Dale Thornton, Board Chair**

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