

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

**Board Minutes of
Monday, November 8, 2021**

Members Present: Dale Thornton, Board Chair
Teddy Bryan, Director
Julie Rheinschmidt, Director
Jacob Johnson, Director
Kurt Beckley, Executive Director of Finance
Pete Peterson, Superintendent

Members Absent: Clark Carlson, Director

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.

DELEGATIONS

Mr. Henry explained the Guaranteed Admissions Pilot for the 21-22 academic year. Board Chair Thornton asked if someone would be keeping track of how many take advantage of this and Mr. Henry stated yes the high school would be. Director Bryan asked about the cutoff date being October 15 and Mr. Henry stated they extended the deadline.

PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA

New Hires: Sara Vannoy, #1 HS Asst. Girls Basketball Coach
Resignation/Separation/Retirement/Termination: Don Zorn, MS Head Wrestling 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- \$417,489.33 Vouchers 1026, 1028, 1029

ASB- \$3,742.00 Vouchers 1027, 1028, 1029

Warrants 114502-114523

Financials

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

Vote to approve the consent agenda with a 4/0 vote.

Director Carlson was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (In person, prior written or electronic)

None.

BOARD COMMENTS

None.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Athletics

Mr. Den Boer shared the band/choir concert will be December 9th for high school and December 10th for middle school. Fall sports ended this last Saturday with two cross country athletes making it to State and football won with a last second field goal. Winter sports is coming up and the numbers look good right now. COVID testing will be happening 2-3 times a week per WIAA guidelines for unvaccinated athletes. Mr. Den Boer stated that the process for rebranding will be starting and everyone will be a part of this; it's not just for athletics. Director Bryan asked if the concert was just band or if it was band and choir and Mr. Den Boer stated it is both band and choir. Director Bryan asked if all three sports will be tested and Mr. Den Boer stated all four will be. Director Bryan asked if any girls are signed up for wrestling and Mr. Den Boer stated out of the 12 athletes signed up 4 are girls.

Student Support Services

Mr. Castillo stated there are 33 students enrolled out of the 36 spots at ECEAP. Right now, they are in the second round of parent/teacher conferences and each one takes about an hour. Mr. Castillo stated that ECEAP will be closed for the rest of the week and working on a plan for Monday. The bus drivers participated in training and it went really well. SIRT training went great as well. School Based Threat Assessment training is coming up on November 18 for all administrators.

Maintenance/Transportation

Director of Maintenance and Operations/Transportation, Dan Adamson stated that he finished the STARS report and our numbers are around 950, which is down from previous years. Fuel prices have increased and there are 8 drivers for 11 routes, we have been all hands-on deck to fill routes. Currently transportation has one driver in training and the fleet is running well, but the only issue has been ordering parts. Mr. Adamson stated that the WSP inspection will happen anytime and he applied for a bus grant on Friday. The high school water softener is an issue and fertilizer has been put down at all facilities with winter prep started. Custodial has been doing a great job and filling in where needed. Mr. Adamson indicated that a schedule will be set for holiday cleaning. Board Chair Thornton stated the pavement looks good and Mr. Adamson said they would be overseeding where the pond used to be as well. Board Chair Thornton asked about the sealing of the back parking lot at the middle school and Mr. Adamson indicated that it cannot be saved, but this would be a good topic for the facilities committee to discuss.

Technology

David Rodriguez stated that he is still waiting for parts to finish a few things, but IT is in a good place with supporting students one to one at the high school. The plan is to migrate the HVAC server at the high school in December. Ipads for K-1 were finished on Friday and making sure all tools are in place to move forward in the department. Mr. Rodriguez thanked his team that completed 85 tickets in two weeks.

Federal Programs

Mr. Haun shared a few of the grants he is currently working on and stated that he will hold training for paras on the 22 and 23. He is also working on CRDC and balancing grant budgets. Mr. Haun thanked the board for their help on the Highly Capable Grant.

Special Services

Ms. Zavala provided a written report for the board.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Policy 3225 School – Based Assessment, Second Reading

Mr. Peterson stated this is a well written draft and falls right in line with what we are doing. Director Rheinschmidt wanted to be sure this didn't replace our other policy that it works hand in hand with it and Mr. Peterson reassured her it doesn't. Director Rheinschmidt asked if this could be placed on the website for review and Mr. Peterson said yes.

NEW BUSINESS

Minutes from 10/25/2021, Approval

A motion was made to approve the minutes from 10/25/2021 by Director Rheinschmidt and seconded by Director Bryan.

**A vote to approve the minutes from 10/25/2021 with a 4/0 vote.
Director Carlson was absent.**

Minutes from 10/25/21 Special Meeting, Approval

A motion was made to approve the special meeting minutes from 10/25/21 by Director Rheinschmidt and seconded by Director Bryan.

**A vote to approve the special meeting minutes from 10/25/21 with a 3/0 vote.
Director Johnson was absent from the special meeting on 10/25/21.
Director Carlson was absent.**

Initial MAP Results

Mr. Peterson shared a Power Point with the board. Board Chair Thornton stated he was glad the district went away from STAR testing. Director Rheinschmidt asked if these results would play into decision making for the next curriculum adoption and Mr. Peterson stated that it probably won't. Mr. Peterson shared he is working on a curriculum overview and hopes to have a presentation at the December board meeting.

Levy Rate, Update

Mr. Beckley shared the breakdown of the levy rate. Mr. Peterson stated that the most important thing to take away from this is that we are not collecting what we asked for. Mr. Beckley shared a few comparisons from districts around us. Director Rheinschmidt asked for the total assessed value for the next meeting. Mr. Beckley stated he would have that. Board Chair Thornton also wanted to know how much the total assessed value went up.

Sammamish Data System, Update

Mr. Peterson shared that this is the third party that goes across the state and does adjustments to voting districts to make sure they are equal. Mr. Peterson asked the board to move forward with the next stage of this process, which would also require the physical addresses of each board member to ensure they aren't removed from their current districts. Mr. Peterson stated there is no approval needed just recognition from the board. All board members agreed to moving forward with the next steps.

Board Meeting Calendar for 2022, Discussion

Mr. Peterson shared that he recommends the board to adopt the 2022 board meeting calendar.

A motion was made to approve the Board Meeting Calendar for 2022 by Director Rheinschmidt and seconded by Director Bryan.

**A vote to approve the Board Meeting Calendar for 2022 with a 4/0 vote.
Director Carlson was absent.**

Policy 1400 Meeting Conduct, Order of Business and Quorum, Revision

Mr. Peterson stated that the start time of the regular meeting was the only thing that needed to be fixed in the policy. The start time would be 6:30 p.m. Board Chair Thornton asked if not stating a time would be better and Mr. Peterson suggested it is better to have a regular time listed. Director Rheinschmidt asked if 6:30 still worked for everyone and all members agreed.

A motion was made to approve the revision of Policy 1400 by Director Rheinschmidt and seconded by Director Johnson.

**A vote to approve the revision of Policy 1400 with a 4/0 vote.
Director Carlson was absent.**

Policy 1340, Targeting Student Learning, First Reading

Mr. Peterson shared that having a mock calendar for the year would be a good idea moving forward, possibly one academic focused meeting and one business each month. Board Chair Thornton asked about the academic standards in April and Mr. Peterson suggested May or June then a full look at the beginning of the year. Director Rheinschmidt indicated that she didn't want to step out of the boards role and felt the curriculum and instruction goals should come from the teachers before a decision is made. Mr. Peterson indicated that was the process and that curriculum must be board adopted. Board Chair Thornton stated that he doesn't feel the board is making decisions just getting reports on a schedule. This will be on the agenda for second reading next meeting.

CONVENED

At 7:41 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. Executive session was extended.

ADJOURNMENT – Regular board meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Dale Thornton, Board Chair

Julie Rheinschmidt, Director

Jacob Johnson, Director

Clark Carlson, Vice Chair

Teddy Bryan, Director

Pete Peterson, Superintendent