

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

**Board Minutes of
Monday, September 11, 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 4/0 vote.
Board Chair Thornton didn't arrive till 6:33.**

DELEGATIONS

None.

PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes from 8/28/23

New Hires: Karleena Cortez, #1 MS Asst. Volleyball Coach; Alyse Pivovarnik, Senior Class Advisor; Karlee Langfield, #2 HS Asst. Volleyball Coach

Resignations/Separation/Retirement/Termination: Juan Bueno, MS Bil. Paraeducator; Talon Watkins, Bus Driver

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- \$203,147.61 Vouchers 1000, 1001, 1003, 1004

ASB- \$1,838.95 Vouchers 1002,1003

Warrants 115890 -115914

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

**Vote to approve the amended consent agenda with a 4/0 vote.
Board Chair Thornton didn't arrive till 6:33.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Lorie Haun asked the board why a dangerous person had been hired.

Wade Haun asked what the district received other than a signed contract by KBEA.

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 emailed his report to the board and reviewed with them.

c. KB High School

Principal Clay Henry shared information about the Gates grant, advisory and that the school is full this year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Board Workshop, Discussion

Mr. Peterson shared that the board workshop will be on 9/15 at 9:00 in the board room. Director Skipper stated that the focus of the workshop is academic goals and achievement and he thanked everyone that attended the community council meeting that focused on the same topic. Mr. Peterson stated another meeting will be held tomorrow evening in Spanish.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 7-2023, Facilities Study and Survey, Approval

Mr. Peterson shared this is the final draft from BLRB and this will be submitted to the State after the board approves it. It will keep us in good standing for 7 years. Director Skipper asked if this could be posted to the website and Mr. Peterson said yes.

A motion was made to approve Resolution 7-2023, Facilities Study and Survey by Director Skipper and seconded by Director Gonzales.

A vote to approve Resolution 7-2023, Facilities Study and Survey with a 5/0 vote.

KBEA Contract, Approval

Mr. Peterson shared that the board received a one pager in the packet with the highlights of changes to the contract. The item second to the bottom should read \$175.00. Director Rheinschmidt asked Mr. Peterson to speak about the overload trigger. Mr. Peterson stated that the last contract had some overload triggers in it and now a subgroup is working on a form to identify those that would trigger overload. Director Skipper stated he was able to attend the sessions and thanked the team and KBEA for all the work that went into this. Director Skipper stated that he doesn't have an issue with the overall price tag, but student outcome needs to be a focus. Director Rheinschmidt asked about SEL and Mr. Peterson stated that SEL isn't the only thing that occurs in CAVE, only about 3 of the 5 days are. Director Rheinschmidt asked when the final will be available, and Mr. Peterson stated KBEA is close, and he will notify the board as well as post it on the website. Director Rheinschmidt asked if we were hitting our enrollment numbers and Mr. Raab stated they have increased. Director Gonzales asked if this was it for the changes and Mr. Peterson said yes besides the form.

A motion was made to approve the KBEA contract by Director Gonzales and seconded by Director Bryan.

A vote to approve the KBEA contract with a 4/1 vote.

Minutes from 8/30/23, Approval

A motion was made to approve the minutes from 8/30/23 by Board Chair Thornton and seconded by Director Skipper.

**A vote to approve the minutes from 8/30/23 with a 4/0 vote.
Director Gonzales was absent from the 8/30/23 meeting.**

BOARD COMMENTS

Director Skipper acknowledged the 22nd Anniversary of 911. He also stated that it was great to see the presence of the district at Benton City Daze.

Director Bryan shared that she thought it was cool to have a football game on the same day as Benton City Daze.

Director Gonzales shared that he enjoyed seeing the kids at the volleyball game cheering and getting involved.

CONVENED

At 7:00 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.

ADJOURNMENT – Regular board meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Dale Thornton, Board Chair

Julie Rheinschmidt, Director

Rick Gonzales, Director

Josh Skipper, Director

Teddy Bryan, Director

Pete Peterson, Superintendent