

**KIONA-BENTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 52
1107 GRACE AVENUE
BENTON CITY, WASHINGTON 99320**

**Board Minutes of
Monday, December 14, 2009**

Members Present: Dan Raap, Chairman
Joe Schroeder, Director

Charles T Gray, Director
Rom Castilleja, Secretary to the Board
Kimberly Scott, Executive Director of Financial Services, Recorder

Members Absent: None

Visitors: Jill Renz-Whitman, Gary Howell, Bernardo Castillo, Craig Bailey, Troy Jamison, Barb Thomas, Ben Hill, Don Zorn, Wayne Barrett and Kevin Pearl

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman D. Raap called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the District Office.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance conducted.

DELEGATIONS

None

PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA

The Board:

Minutes from November 23,-2009

Resignations – Lupe Aguilar, Home visitor, JeriAnne Warren Bus Driver

Motion was made to approve the consent agenda by Director Schroeder and seconded by Director Gray.

Unanimous vote to approve consent agenda with a 3/0 vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS -

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS- e

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 6-2009- 2011-13 Replacement M & O Levy

This resolution will allow the District to place the replacement M & O Levy on the ballot.

Motion was made by Director Schroeder to adopted resolution 6-2009 -2011-13 replacement M & O Levy and seconded by Director Raap.

Roll call vote- Joe Schroder –Yes in favor, Charlie Gray – Yes in favor, and Dan Raap – Yes in favor.

KBAA Contract

The only change to the contract was increasing personal days. This is a no cost item to the District.

Motion was made by Director Gray to adopt the KBAA Contract as amended and seconded by Director Schroeder. Unanimous vote to approve the KBAA contract.

Governor’s Budget Impacts on KBSD

This year we will have the support of both WEA and the superintendents across the state. We all agree the cuts to schools will hit many schools district hard and inequitably compared to other Districts. The current budget the Governor purposed in December would impact our district by a decrease of 1.5 million. This cut would have a significant impact to programs in our District. We will have a community form to get public input if the cuts to the District go that deep.

Middle School Social Studies Adoption

Last year we adopted the K-5 adoption for social studies. This year we have been piloting grades 6-8th and in the spring we will pilot grades 9-12th with Prentice Hall. Ben Hill and Don Zorn demonstrated the online components of the material both instructors felt this was an excellent product. This adoption has both Spanish and English material, and was supplemental components.

DIRECTOR REPORTS

Teaching and Learning – Kevin shared with the board the last adoption for Social Studies was 1999. He supported the adoption of the Prentice Hall Social Studies.

Grants Manager – Joe was out today.

Technology – The next technology plan we will look at support for on-line technology which ties to the subscriptions of classroom content. To have each child supplied with a lap top is a costly one but could be a focus in our next technology plan. We could look at grant opportunities to help with these costs.

Special Education – Craig shared the program is reviewing with staff and the community on how to maximize its resources.

PRINCIPAL’S REPORTS

a. KB MS

Bernardo gave the board a middle school report that contained past and future events, CRT time focuses and the latest in athletics.

The main area of focus he shared with the board was the 8th grade student survey on school climate. The report compared last year compared to this year. The next CRT time the staff will help address the issue of student not feeling success is celebrated at the school.

b. KBHS

Wayne provided the board an updated report from the high school on the coming events, teaching and learning, and athletics.

Wayne also shared with the board the success of college financial aid night. The Gear up staff and our counseling staff providing parents’ access to many opportunities for our students.

Our pilot program with Jim working with our incoming 9th grade students is getting state recognition. This program is showing positive impact on student learning and success. This program is less expensive than the BECCA program and appears to have better results.

Superintendent Report

The legislative luncheon had 2 Senators and 7 representatives. The luncheon focused on legislative districts key areas. These key areas were: LEA- how the impact of these cuts affect districts and what can we do, levy lid, unfunded mandates, and I728 restored in the LEA lid. The function was well attended by superintendents and SEWSA members.

The ESD105, 123 and 101 will be meeting in Prosser to develop a plan on ways to respond and be proactive to the current concerns and impacts of the current proposed state budget.

Executive session: Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 Section (g) personnel matters, KBEA negotiations 30 min

No business to follow.

ADJOURNMENT – Regular board meeting adjourned at 8.03 p.m.

Joe Schroeder, Director

Vacant

Charles T. Gray, Director

Vacant

Dan Raap, Chairman

Rom Castilleja, Superintendent