

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

**Board Minutes of  
Monday, February 22, 2010**

Members Present: Dan Raap, Chairman  
Joe Schroeder, Director  
Charles T Gray, Director  
Jill Renz-Whitman, Director  
Gary Howell, Director  
Rom Castilleja, Secretary to the Board  
Kimberly Scott, Executive Director of Financial Services, Recorder

Members Absent: None

Visitors: Wayne Barrett, Bernardo Castillo, Kevin Pearl, Mark Noyes, Jeremy Eaton, Erika Harlow-Repko, Amerlee Swensen, Guadalupe Carrion, Ruby Davis, Balaca Aguilar, Judy Harding, Sandy Nelson, Barb Thomas, Jennifer Behrends, Heather Franklin, and Troy Jamieson

**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**

Supt. Castilleja introduced Mark Noyes, maintenance and operation manager. Mark shared some of his background and stated he was glad to be here.

**PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA**

The Board:

Minutes from January 25, 2010 and February 1, 2010

Resignations – None

Leave Request: None

General Fund	#36483-36583	Totaling	\$218,926.60
	#36482, 35746-35748		\$4590.47
ASB Fund	#3472-3488	Totaling	\$6,527.56
	#3471		\$220.00
Payroll Distribution	Certificated = \$700,978.26 Classified = \$290,926.60		
	a. Total = \$991,142.54	Warrant #36584—36649	\$333,853.55

Motion was made to approve the consent agenda by Director Gray and seconded by Director Renz-Whitman

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS -**

None

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS-**

### **Next Level BB Request**

The board received Jeremy Eaton's request for facility usage along with various policies from other districts and public facilities. Jeremy wanted the board to know there were two different types of events he would like to use the facilities for. First, to use for AAU practices and the other being for use where it would be closed to the public but for KI-BE kids for basketball programs. The money would be given back to the programs. The board will review the request and get back with Jeremy.

### **Strategic Plan**

The board was presented with the final draft of the strategic plan.

Motion was made by Director Gray to approve the strategic plan with the correction of two names in the plan and was seconded by Director Schroeder.

Unanimous vote to approve the strategic plan.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **School Calendar for 2010-2011 School Year**

The school calendar has two built in snow days May 27<sup>th</sup> and June 10<sup>th</sup>. The Calendar also starts after the fair. The only conflict is the WASL testing maybe during the timeframe of March 16-18<sup>th</sup> 2011. If this happens, we will bring the calendar back to the board for modifications.

Motion was made to approve the School Calendar for 2010-2011 School Year by Director Howell and seconded by Director Renz-Whitman

A unanimous vote to approve the 2010-2011 School Calendar with a 5/0 vote.

### **Online Policy P 2024**

This is the first reading on an online school program policy. This is the recommended policy by OSPI.

### **Principal's Reports**

#### **Elementary –**

The Kindergarten teachers shared the success of the all day Kindergarten program. The various tests show that the Kindergarten student this spring are at almost 70% of the students are meeting bench and this year first graders coming in started at less than 30% meeting benchmark.

The program is having a big impact on student learning. Kindergarten set the ground work to the continued learning that happens in the proceeding grades.

#### **Middle School-**

The board received data on the success of the Make Your Day program at the Middle School. The data showed that kids are being suspended less and now spending more time in an instructional environment. For example last year, there were 46 suspensions and a total of 88 days out of school. This year we have 25 suspension and 45 days out of school. We no longer have ISS which we had kids not in class for a total of 67 days last year.

#### **High School-**

Wayne shared data on students staying in high school and not failing. Next month he will have Mr. Perry come in a talk about the success of the program to help with failure and drop outs. He will also have the Leadership group talk about the success of this group and the positive influence they have made at the high school.

### **Superintendent Report**

On the trip to Olympia with Dan Raap, they testified on the behalf all schools receiving LEA dollars was successful. The legislators were receptive and appeared to understand the problem and concerns with

districts like ours. They recognized that the bill that increases levy LID by 4% and LEA by 2% still causes disparity between the taxes districts.

March has both Classified employee and Retirees recognition weeks.

Executive session: Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 Section (g) personnel matters, contracts 15 minutes.

No business to follow.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Regular board meeting adjourned at 8.25 p.m.

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**Joe Schroeder, Director**

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**Gary Howell**

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**Charles T. Gray, Director**

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**Jill Renz-Whitman**

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**Dan Raap, Chairman**

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**Rom Castilleja, Superintendent**