

KENNEWICK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Remote Board Meeting
September 8, 2021

M I N U T E S

MEMBERS PRESENT

Board Members: Heather Kintzley, Vice President of the Board; Ron Mabry, Legislative Representative of the Board; Michael Connors, Board Member; Diane Sundvik, Board Member; Zachary Glenn, Student Representative to the Board; and Dr. Traci Pierce, Superintendent and Secretary of the Board.

Cabinet Members: Dr. Doug Christensen, Associate Superintendent of Human Resources; Matt Scott, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Assessment and Professional Development; Jack Anderson, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education; Rob Phillips, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education; Vic Roberts, Executive Director of Business Operations; Robyn Chastain, Executive Director of Communications and Public Relations; Ron Cone, Executive Director of Information Technology.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Dawn Adams, President of the Board; Excused

CALL TO ORDER

Vice President Heather Kintzley called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance with approximately 83 staff and guests in attendance.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM PARENTS, STAFF, AND RESIDENTS

Amanda Brown, 4503 Cactus Court, Pasco, shared that she is a 4th-grade dual language teacher in the Kennewick School District. Ms. Brown commented on the Dual Language Biliteracy Unit Framework (BUF) and curriculum needs.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Diane Sundvik to approve the consent items as presented.

Seconded by Mike Connors.

Roll call vote:	Kintzley	Yes
	Mabry	-
	Connors	Yes
	Sundvik	Yes

Motion carried 3-0.

The consent items were as follows:

- Minutes of Regular Board Meeting August 18, 2021
- Personnel Actions – Certificated, Classified, and Extracurricular
- Communities in Schools Benton-Franklin Agreement 2021-2023
- Curriculum Adoption
 - ***An American Plague, book.*** Author, Jim Murphy, published by Clarion Books/New York. This material will be used in 7th grade English Language Arts classes at Horse Heaven Hills Middle School.
 - ***Long Way Down, book.*** Author, Jason Reynolds, published by McGraw Hill. This material will be used in 12th grade Cultural Identity classes at Legacy High School.
 - ***Mathematics for the Trades, textbook.*** Author, Hal M. Saunders & Robert A. Carman, published by Pearson. This material will be used in 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th-grade Technical Math for Trades classes at Kennewick High School.
- Ridge View Elementary School Replacement Project – Educational Specifications
- Resolution No 1, 2021-22 Accept Tri-Tech Project as Complete

SUPERINTENDENT/BOARD MEMBER REPORT

Superintendent Dr. Traci Pierce shared that the Student Representative to the Board, Zachary Glenn, attends Kennewick High School and is the twelfth student to serve as a representative on the school board. Dr. Pierce provided information on COVID protocols regarding distancing requirements and shared that the COVID 19 report is now on the district website and will be updated each week. Dr. Pierce added that the District is hiring four COVID Support Personnel positions to support contact tracing on a regional basis and help implement our testing program. Dr. Pierce updated the Board on our two schools with Native American mascots, Kamiakin High School and Legacy High School. She noted that the District has reached out to the Yakama, Umatilla, and Colville tribes regarding the consulting process and authorization to continue to use the Braves and Thunderbird mascots. Dr. Pierce stated that the District has not yet received any responses and that she will keep the Board updated should she hear back from any of the tribes. Dr. Pierce noted that she is working on an update to Board policy to include a process for mascot re-naming and will present it to the Board at the next Board meeting.

Zachary Glenn reported that he and other students are excited to be in the new Kennewick High School. He shared that he observed teachers and students wearing masks and social distancing whenever possible. Zachary asked about future guidance for school dances.

Board Member Diane Sundvik reported that she attended the following:

- WSSDA/WASA/AWSP webinar: Back to School: COVID19 & Mental Health with OSPI Reykdal and Others
- Kamiakin grand opening, Southridge grand opening, Kennewick High ribbon cutting.
- WSSDA Legislative Representatives Learn Construction (SCAP) and Simple Majority with Reps. Tharinger, Steele, and Stonier and Tyler Muench-OSPI

- KEY Connections monthly meeting
- WA Poison Control Ctr.: Opioids and Stimulants in WA State
- WA Poison Control Ctr.: Overdose Prevention, Harm Reduction, and Treatment
- WSSDA Weekly Networking Webinars (2)
- WSSDA Nominations training webinar
- Kennewick High ribbon-cutting ceremony
- WA Poison Control Ctr.: Trends in Adolescent Exposure: Intentional use, Misuse, and Overdose
- WA Poison Control Ctr.: Naloxone for Opiate Overdose
- Phone call with community leader discussing ways their organization can assist KSD
- PM Pediatrics Fall Focus: Framing a Safe School Year Despite the Delta Variant
- WA Poison Control Ctr.: Accidental Overdose in Older Adults
- WA DOH COVID Briefing Update on TVW

Heather Kintzley reported on the ribbon cutting at Kennewick High School and touring the school with former Superintendent Dave Bond.

Mike Connors shared that he too attended the ribbon cutting at Kennewick High and reported that it was a great celebration. He commented on how well done the event was and what a spectacular building it is.

REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Goal: All Students are Engaged Learners

Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Assessment, and Professional Development, Matt Scott, presented an update on K-12 student growth and proficiency targets and comprehensive sexual health education.

Goal: All Families are Key Partners

Superintendent Dr. Traci Pierce presented district family engagement efforts, including family survey data, Action Team for Partnerships, and Get to Know Kennewick Schools.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Policy No. 5275, PERSONNEL: Conflicts of Interest, First Reading

Dr. Doug Christensen presented a policy update to meet OSPI's Child and Adult Care Feeding Program requirements.

Motion by Diane Sundvik to approve Policy No. 5275, PERSONNEL: Conflicts of Interest,

for first and second reading.

Seconded by Mike Connors.

Roll call vote:	Kintzley	Yes
	Mabry	Yes
	Connors	Yes
	Sundvik	Yes

Motion carried 4-0.

Board Initiation of Naming Facilities Within a Building

Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education, Jack Anderson, recommended the Board authorize the naming process for the Kamiakin High School gymnasium.

Board discussion followed, with Ron Mabry asking for background checks on the people considered.

Motion by Mike Connors to initiate the naming process for the Kamiakin gymnasium.

Seconded by Diane Sundvik.

Roll call vote:	Kintzley	Yes
	Mabry	Yes
	Connors	Yes
	Sundvik	Yes

Motion carried 4-0.

OTHER BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

RECORDING SECRETARY

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

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Approved: September 22, 2021