

**KINGSBURG ELEMENTARY CHARTER SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

May 17, 2021

**Kingsburg Elementary Professional Development Building
1310 Stroud Avenue
Kingsburg, California 93631**

4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

PUBLIC SESSION AND PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDIZED AND NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
Board President, Shane Murray, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Shane Murray, President
Karyll Smith Quinn, Clerk
Brad Bergstrom, Member
Constance Lunde, Member
Frank Yanes, Member

District Office Administrators Present:

Wesley Sever, Ed.D., Superintendent
Melanie Sembritzki, Assistant Superintendent
Bobby Rodriguez, Chief Business Official
Carol Bray, Director, Human Resources

2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Moment of Contemplative Silence
4. Approval of Agenda

Moved: Mr. Yanes; Seconded: Mrs. Lunde, to approve the May 17, 2021, Board agenda as submitted:

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mr. Murray – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes
Motion Carried: 5-0

DISCUSSION

5. Superintendent's Report
 - 5.1. Communications/Recognitions
 - 5.1.1. The Kingsburg Elementary Charter School District and the Governing Board recognized the "Our Hero" award recipients for 2020-2021. This award is presented to one parent or community member from each school or the District who goes beyond the call of duty for the students and staff of Kingsburg Elementary. Thank you for all your hard work

this year and for the impact you have made with our students and staff. You are appreciated. Recipients:

- Washington- Arlene Shipman
- Roosevelt- Tiffany Dix
- Lincoln- Theresa Gong
- Reagan- Tyler Williams
- Rafer- Vicki Alvarado
- CVHS- Aricela Garcia
- District- Alyssa Thiessen, Eileen Engstrom,
- Hollie Robertson Jones, Mayor Laura North

- 5.1.2. The Kingsburg City Council recognized Kingsburg Elementary Charter School District for its commitment to youth and their education. Dr. Sever accepted the certificate on behalf of the District. The certificate of achievement recognizes all district employees. Thank you for all that you do. Thank you to the Kingsburg City Council for their continued support and partnership. Mayor Laura North noted, "Kingsburg Elementary Charter School District spent countless hours to provide the highest level of education for our students and a quality working environment for staff during the COVID-19 pandemic. They actively listened to parents, students, and community members to create a safe and healthy environment while leading Fresno County in returning to in-person instruction." The District recognized Mayor Laura North as one of the "Our Hero" award recipients. She was instrumental in providing a partnership with local health agencies so district staff could receive the COVID vaccine as soon as possible.
- 5.1.3. Thank you to Port-of-Subs in Kingsburg for the donation of sandwich and chips gift certificates for student readers at Reagan Elementary.
- 5.1.4. Lincoln School recently had a visitor on campus. Mr. Fox has since been caught humanely in a trap and was released near the river.
- 5.1.5. Last week, the last Sounding Board meetings took place with Certificated, Classified, and MOT/Food Service representatives. Many thanks were given to colleagues and staff for their hard work and dedication throughout this year.
- 5.1.6. Sites have conducted Distance Learning Surveys. A total of 21 students/parents want to stay in distance learning for next year. These students can transfer to CVHS if they would like to do independent study. Parents will receive a letter next week. We will have principals begin making class lists as usual. Before COVID, we did not receive funding if a student was on Zoom or had contact with their teacher during the school day. During COVID, we did. This exception will not be renewed for 21-22 based on what the Governor has said.
- 5.1.7. New proposed legislation for home schools may change the criteria for independent study and cause our program to change if passed. We are fighting this as we like our current program and criteria. We will be watching this closely.
- 5.1.8. We are excited for next year. We should be able to start as normal with the same bell schedules with possibly more recess times and lunch times to keep groups small. The Governor said masking may not be required beginning June 15. The colored tier system also goes away in June. We will share any new information as we receive it.
- 5.1.9. The CDC released a statement that a fully vaccinated person does not have to wear a mask. The details of CDC's recommendation do require masks in certain situations, airports, hospitals, etc., but this also varies by state. California currently requires all K-12 students to wear face coverings at all times while at school, unless exempted. Currently, ALL staff and students are required to wear masks in KECSD. I am hopeful that this will change soon and that California adopts the new CDC guidelines. We are monitoring this situation and working with the county, state, and Cal/OSHA. As soon as these organizations release information and changes, we will immediately implement them.

PUBLIC COMMENT

6. Public Comment on Agendized and Non-Agendized Items
 - 6.1. Mr. Rob Sandquist, parent and community member, addressed the Board regarding the District's mask policy for students.

DISCUSSION

7. Assistant Superintendent's Report
 - 7.1. We are in the final planning stages for summer school, which will run June 7th-30th, four days a week Monday-Thursday from 8:30-11:30 am on the Washington, Roosevelt, Lincoln, Reagan, and Rafer campuses. Students will stay in the grade levels they are in right now. The focus will be on core instruction, building relationships, and rebuilding student confidence. We will have transportation for those who signed up but we will not be serving lunch. There are two meal options being offered in town this summer at Kingsburg High School and Washington School.
 - 7.2. The Badge Project has been a great success. Over 110 certificated staff participated, with over 1,000 badges completed. Badges come with a \$100 stipend each. We will be highlighting and showcasing their work at a future Board meeting. The last day to submit projects is May 19. We will be working to develop badges for classified staff and roll that out in the fall. If you have ideas for focus, email Mrs. Sembritzki and let her know. We will have a phase two rollout for certificated staff. It will not include stipends, but we will have other incentives.
 - 7.3. We are working hard on planning professional development for next year.
8. Chief Business Official's Report
 - 8.1. One hundred fifty-two students are signed up to ride the bus for summer school. We hope to have the routing information out to sites this week.
 - 8.2. Our Custodial, Maintenance and Grounds teams will need to shift their schedules and be flexible with the structure and multiple locations of summer school this year. They will be trying to get the bigger projects done after summer school.
 - 8.3. The Governor put out his May Revision on Friday, May 14. As expected, his revision has proposed increased funding for schools. He is proposing a 5.07% COLA, which would be an increase from the 3.87% COLA in January. This is due in part from the state having a surplus of funds of over \$70 billion dollars. He is also proposing paying down the deferrals from February to May, but leaving June's deferral in place. Categorical programs may see a small increase from 1.05% to 1.07%, and special education may see an increase, which for us, would offset general fund contributions. Governor Newsom is proposing that in 2022-23, TK would be available to all 4 year olds, with class sizes being decreased from 24:1 to 12:1 with a 3 hour minimum day for TK. There was no mention of receiving extra funding for facilities in order to make this happen. Many of Governor Newsom's plans are focused only on the present with no information on out years when forecasts call for a decrease in funding. We will continue to monitor the situation while planning for uncertainties that may lie ahead. At this time, we are continuing to work on next year's budget. We will continue to look for ways to provide salary increases, if possible for next year and beyond for our employees. We recognize all the hard work that everyone has put in these last couple of years and if we can make it work, it is something that is warranted.
9. Board Member Reports
 - 9.1. Mr. Yanes received a call last week regarding the pickleball nets at Rafer Johnson Jr. High. Kids have been using them as soccer nets which have damaged them. Dr. Sever was made aware of the situation and will be looking at replacement and possibly storage options to protect the equipment.

10. First Reading: Board Policies/Administrative Regulations/Exhibits
 - 10.1. BP/AR 3530: Risk Management/Insurance
 - 10.2. BP/AR 4119.11, 4219.11, 4319.11: Sexual Harassment
 - 10.3. BP/AR 4157, 4257, 4357: Employee Safety
 - 10.4. AR 4157.1, 4257.1, 4357.1: Work Related Injuries
 - 10.5. BP/AR 5141.31: Immunizations
 - 10.6. BP/AR 5141.33: Head Lice
 - 10.7. BP/AR 5145.7: Sexual Harassment

No changes were made to the policies and regulations as submitted. They will be presented for approval at the next Board meeting.

ACTION

11. Consent Agenda
 - 11.1. Consider Approval of Minutes – April 19, 2021 Board Meeting
 - 11.2. Consider Approval of Cash Balances
 - 11.3. Consider Approval of Budget Report
 - 11.4. Consider Approval of Accounts Payable Report
 - 11.5. Consider Approval of Request to Surplus Equipment
 - 11.6. Consider Approval of Renewal 3 Year Contract with BorderLAN Security
 - 11.7. Consider Approval of SIOP Training Purchase with Savvas Learning Company LLC
 - 11.8. Consider Approval of School Pathways Software Subscription for Central Valley Home School
 - 11.9. Consider Approval of Estimate from EMCOR Services for Roosevelt HVAC Unit
 - 11.10. Consider Approval of Independent Contractor Agreement with California Teaching Fellows Foundation for Washington School

Items 11.1. – 11.10.:

Moved: Mrs. Smith Quinn; Seconded: Mr. Yanes

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mr. Murray – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes

Motion Carried: 5-0

BUSINESS SERVICES

12. Consider Approval of Expanded Learning Opportunity Fund Grant

Moved: Mr. Yanes; Seconded: Mr. Bergstrom

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mr. Murray – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes

Motion Carried: 5-0

13. Consider Approval of Kingsburg Elementary Charter School District Actuarial Study of Retiree Health Liabilities Under GASB 74/75, For Fiscal Year End June 30, 2021

Moved: Mrs. Smith Quinn; Seconded: Mr. Bergstrom

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mr. Murray – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes

Motion Carried: 5-0

14. Consider Approval of Permanent Transfer of Funds from Fund 01 to Fund 12

Moved: Mr. Yanes; Seconded: Mrs. Lunde

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mr. Murray – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes

Motion Carried: 5-0

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

15. Consider Approval of Request to Surplus Outdated Science Materials/Textbooks

Moved: Mrs. Lunde; Seconded: Mr. Yanes

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mr. Murray – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes

Motion Carried: 5-0

16. Set Date, Time, and Location of Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting: Monday, June 7, 2021,
4:00 p.m., Professional Development Building

CLOSED SESSION

17. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint (Government Code Section 54957)

18. Public Employee Employment

18.1. Certificated Personnel

18.1.1. Consider Approval of Request to Hire: TK Teacher, Washington Elementary

18.1.2. Consider Approval of Request to Hire: 7th Grade Math Teacher, Rafer Johnson Jr. High

18.1.3. Consider Approval of Request to Hire: 7th/8th Grade ELA Teacher, Rafer Johnson Jr. High

18.1.4. Consider Approval of Request to Hire: K-8 Teacher (0.5 FTE), Central Valley Home
School

18.2. Classified Personnel

18.2.1. Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Paraprofessional, Reagan Elementary

18.2.2. Consider Approval of Request to Hire: Assistant Secretary, Lincoln Elementary

18.2.3. Consider Approval of Request to Hire: Part-time Custodian, Lincoln Elementary

19. Pupil Personnel

19.1. Consider Interdistrict Transfer Requests (Pursuant to Education Code 48204, 35146)

19.1.1. Consider Approval of 2020-21 New Attendance Requests – Site-Based Program

19.1.2. Consider Approval of 2021-22 New Attendance Requests – Site-Based Program

19.1.3. Consider Approval of 2021-22 New Attendance Requests – Central Valley Home School

19.1.4. Consider Approval of 2021-22 Renewal Attendance Requests – Site-Based Program

19.1.5. Consider Approval of 2021-22 Renewal Attendance Requests – Central Valley Home
School

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

ACTION

20. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session

Action taken on agenda item 18.1.1.

- No Action Taken- Request to Hire: Cynthia Alvarado, TK Teacher, Washington Elementary

Action taken on agenda item 18.1.2.:

Moved: Mrs. Smith Quinn; Seconded: Mrs. Lunde, to take the following action:

- Approved Request to Hire: John Robert Parker, 7th Grade Math Teacher, Rafer Johnson Jr. High

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mr. Murray – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes

Motion Carried: 5-0

Action taken on agenda item 18.1.3.:

Moved: Mr. Bergstrom; Seconded: Mr. Yanes, to take the following action:

- Approved Request to Hire: Gretchen Monke, 7th/8th Grade ELA Teacher, Rafer Johnson Jr. High

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mr. Murray – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes

Motion Carried: 5-0

Action taken on agenda item 18.1.4.:

Moved: Mrs. Smith Quinn; Seconded: Mr. Yanes, to take the following action:

- Approved Request to Hire: Charlienne Emmersen, K-8 Teacher (0.5 FTE), Central Valley Home School

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Abstain; Mr. Murray – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes

Motion Carried: 4-0

Action taken on agenda items 18.2.1. – 18.2.3.:

Moved: Mrs. Smith Quinn; Seconded: Mrs. Lunde, to take the following action:

- Accepted Resignation: Sarai Mendoza, Paraprofessional, Reagan Elementary
- Approved Request to Hire: Madeline Armstrong, Assistant Secretary, Lincoln Elementary
- Approved Request to Hire: Todd Regier, Part-time Custodian, Lincoln Elementary

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mr. Murray – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes

Motion Carried: 5-0

Action taken on agenda items 19.1.1. – 19.1.5.:

Moved: Mrs. Smith Quinn; Seconded: Mr. Bergstrom, to take the following action:

Approved all requests.

- 2020-21 New Attendance Requests – Site-Based Program
- 2021-22 New Attendance Requests – Site-Based Program
- 2021-22 New Attendance Requests – Central Valley Home School
- 2021-22 Renewal Attendance Requests – Site-Based Program
- 2021-22 Renewal Attendance Requests – Central Valley Home School

Approved: Mr. Bergstrom – Yes; Mrs. Lunde – Yes; Mr. Murray – Yes; Mrs. Smith Quinn – Yes;
Mr. Yanes – Yes
Motion Carried: 5-0

21. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.