

KENNEWICK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17  
SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING/RETREAT  
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION CENTER  
06-08-2022

M I N U T E S

MEMBERS PRESENT

Michael Connors, President of the Board; Ron Mabry, Vice President of the Board; Diane Sundvik, Legislative Representative of the Board; Micah Valentine, Board Member; Gabe Galbraith, Board Member; 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; and Ron Cone, Executive Director of Information Technology.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Robyn Chastain, Executive Director of Communication and Public Relations, excused.

CALL TO ORDER

President Michael Connors called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance with approximately 58 online and in-person staff and guests in attendance.

SUPERINTENDENT/SCHOOL BOARD RETREAT

The purpose of the Retreat is for the Superintendent and School Board to conduct a semi-annual review of the district and plan for continued quality education and efficient operation of the Kennewick School District.

DISCUSSION TOPICS: The Board discussed the following topics:

- Annual Board Self-Assessment
- Board Goal Setting
- 2022 – 2023 Priorities
- 2022 – 2023 Board Calendar
- Critical Race Theory (CRT) and CRT Concepts Discussion
- Conspiracy Theories in Education Discussion

No final decisions were made after any of the discussions, and Board Members asked that the administration bring back additional information on some of the topics at a future meeting for discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Michael Connors announced at 9:40 p.m. that discussion topics open to the public were concluded and moved the Board into executive session for approximately 30 minutes at 9:51 p.m. per RCW 42.30.110 (1) (g) to conduct the Superintendent/Cabinet Performance Review with no formal action of the Board to be taken.

OTHER BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

There being no further business, Michael Connors adjourned the meeting at 10:21 p.m.

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PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

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SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

Approved: June 22, 2022