KINGSBURG ELEMENTARY CHARTER SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Monday, January 13, 2025

Kingsburg Elementary Charter School District 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, Connie Lunde, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Constance Lunde, President Reverend Edward Ezaki, Clerk Brad Bergstrom, Member Karyll Smith Quinn, Member Frank Yanes, Member

District Office Administrators Present:

Wesley Sever, Ed.D., Superintendent Matt Stovall, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum & Instruction, Special Projects Bobby Rodriguez, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services Erin Pasillas, Director of Special Education & Student Services

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

Moved: Mr. Yanes; Seconded: Mr. Bergstrom, to approve the January 13, 2025, Board agenda as submitted:

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

DISCUSSION

- 5. Superintendent's Report
 - 5.1. The 2025 Employees of the Year The 2025 Employees of the Year were recognized and presented with a plaque. Their principal/supervisors shared heartfelt comments from their peers, and the employees introduced their families who attended the meeting:
 - 5.1.1 Administrator of the Year: Lauren Galli, Principal Lincoln School
 - 5.1.2 Educator of the Year: Kim Martinez, 1st Grade Teacher, Roosevelt School

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5.1.3 Employee of the Year: Lisa Oehlschlaeger, Administrative Assistant, M&O

Congratulations to these three employees! We appreciate their hard work and dedication. They will be recognized in November during a ceremony at the Saroyan.

- 5.2. Communications/Recognitions
 - 5.2.1 Dr. Sever shared a note from Retiree Ellie Dodd thanking him for continuing the District Christmas Luncheon each year, noting it was well-attended and very festive. She thanked Dr. Sever for keeping our District financially solid and keeping our students first. Dr. Sever read the note to the Board.
 - 5.2.2 We are thrilled to share that Rylee Hess, 8th Grade, Rafer Johnson Jr. High, has been recognized as the January Superstar by Dr. Michele Copher, Fresno County Superintendent of Schools, at the recent Board of Education meeting at the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools office. Rylee has a heart full of resilience and a radiant spirit. She embodies the true essence of perseverance and positivity. Her journey through middle school has been anything but easy, as she lost her mother just before her 7th-grade year. Rylee has risen above, continually inspiring her peers, teachers, and community with her strength and determination. Rylee is known for her cheerful disposition and her unwavering commitment to embodying her school's core values of patience, integrity, justice, humanity, and courage. She is a source of light in her school, always greeting her classmates with a smile and offering support to those in need. She demonstrates patience in her interactions, integrity in her actions, a keen sense of justice in her kindness to others, and humanity through her empathy. Above all, Rylee's courage is undeniable; she faces each day with an open heart and a willingness to overcome obstacles. In the classroom, Rylee strives to be the best she can be, pushing herself academically and personally. Her work ethic and positive outlook make her a role model for her classmates, proving that strength and joy can coexist, even in the face of adversity. As a Star Student, Rylee represents the values and determination that will surely carry her to great success in high school and beyond. During her recognition, Rylee expressed heartfelt gratitude to those who have supported her on her journey, with a special acknowledgment of her late mother, who holds a deeply cherished place in her heart. Rylee shared, "My mom taught me to be the person I am today." Rylee also offered inspiring advice for anyone facing challenges: "Always look for support. It doesn't matter if it seems weird for you or it seems weird for others. Just get the support that you need. That's what I did."
- 6. Assistant Superintendent- Curriculum & Instruction, Special Projects' Report
 - 6.1. The Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) outlines the District's goals, actions, and budget priorities for 2024-2027, focusing on improving student outcomes and supporting English learners, low-income, and foster students. Key goals include ensuring properly credentialed staff, increasing technology access, enhancing mental health services, and fostering a safe, welcoming school climate. The plan incorporates input from parents, students, staff, and community partners. The process kicks off this month with input gathering, and a draft of the LCAP and Budget will be available for public viewing at the May Board meeting, followed by Board approval in June.
- 7. Assistant Superintendent- Business Services' Report
 - 7.1. Audit Report: Scott Faeth from Borchardt, Corona, Faeth & Zakarian presented the audit report. The District had two minor findings with no financial impact.
 - 7.2. 25-26 Budget Update: The budget was released Friday, with updates expected through February. The impact of the LA County tax extensions due to fires will be monitored.
 - 7.3. Project Updates

- 7.3.1 Washington Staff Room Upgrades: Updates are being made to improve the staff room and several donations were received to help with the costs.
- 7.3.2 Roosevelt Hallway: Carpet and tack board was installed in the Roosevelt indoor hallways. Mr. Marshall contacted artist Patrick Lewis, and he has generously donated a 50"x60" limited edition print of his artwork, featuring Teddy Roosevelt's Rough Riders posing triumphantly with the American flag after their victory at San Juan Hill in 1898. The bold and patriotic painting captures the spirit of courage and teamwork. The print will need to be stretched on a bar frame once received. The original painting was sold for \$6,800, making this an incredible gift for Roosevelt. To thank Patrick, an idea is to set up the artwork as a backdrop and record students singing the school's Rough Rider song, accompanied by heartfelt thank-you messages. Mr. Marshall is excited about this addition to the hallway and the opportunity to express his gratitude.
- 7.3.3 Lincoln Boiler Repairs: The boiler leak was fixed with no new issues. Teachers now have digital thermostats.
- 7.3.4 Reagan Building Progress: Initial stucco is complete, with colored stucco to follow. Building control is expected by late February. A water connection and a small gas leak were repaired over the break.
- 7.3.5 Rafer Updates: "Keep off the grass" signs were installed around the track, and goals were chained to the fence. Mr. Yanes suggested that signage be provided in English and Spanish to explain the purpose.
- 7.3.6 Washington CSPP Shade Structure: Shade structure installation over the sandpit will take a few weeks.
- 8. Board Member Reports

8.1. Mr. Yanes noted the grounds are looking good. The hallways at Roosevelt look beautiful.

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PUBLIC HEARING

Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints- No comments were received from the public.

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

ACTION

- 9. Consent Agenda
 - 9.1. Consider Approval of Minutes December 16, 2024 Board Meeting
 - 9.2. Consider Approval of Cash Balances
 - 9.3. Consider Approval of Budget Report
 - 9.4. Consider Approval of Accounts Payable Report
 - 9.5. Consider Approval of School Accountability Report Cards
 - 9.6. Consider Acceptance of Donation: Dinamite Volleyball Club Basketball Uniforms for Rafer Johnson Jr. High

Items 9.1.- 9.6.: Moved: Rev. Ezaki; Seconded: Mr. Yanes

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

BUSINESS SERVICES

10. Consider Approval of Kingsburg Elementary Charter School District Audit Report, Year Ended June 30, 2024

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

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

11. Consider Approval of Prop 28 Site Plans 2023-24 Allocation

Moved: Mr. Bergstrom; Seconded: Mr. Yanes

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

12. Consider Approval of E-Rate Vendors for the 2025-26 School Year

Moved: Mr. Yanes; Seconded: Rev. Ezaki

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

HUMAN RESOURCES

13. Consider Approval of Employment Contract for Director of Human Resources

Moved: Rev. Ezaki; Seconded: Mr. Bergstrom to approve the employment contract with the correction of a clerical error on page 8, paragraph 3.

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

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

14. Consider Approval of Board Policies/Administrative Regulations/Exhibits 14.1. AR 4161.1, 4261.1: Personal Illness/Injury Leave

Moved: Mr. Yanes; Seconded: Mr. Bergstrom

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

15. Consider Approval of Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints

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

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

Motion Carried: 5-0

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 16. Public Comment on Agendized and Non-Agendized Items 16.1. No comments were received from the public.
- 17. Set Date, Time, and Location of Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting: Tuesday, February 11, 2025, 4:00 p.m., Professional Development Building

CLOSED SESSION

- 18. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint (Government Code Section 54957)
- 19. Anticipated Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(b))
- 20. Student Discipline and Other Confidential Student Matters (Education Code Sections 35146, Ed. Code, §48900 et seq.)
 - 20.1. The Governing Board Will Meet in Closed Session to Consider Student Expulsion Recommendations per California Education Codes 48916, 49073-49079
 20.1.1 Case No. 25-03
- 21. Public Employee Employment (Government Code Section 54957)
 - 21.1. Certificated Personnel
 - 21.1.1 Consider Approval of Student Teachers for the 2024-2025 Spring Semester
 - 21.1.2 Consider Acceptance of Resignation for the Purposes of Retirement: RSP Teacher, Lincoln School
 - 21.2. Classified Personnel
 - 21.2.1 Consider Acceptance of Resignation for the Purposes of Retirement: Director of Human Resources
 - 21.2.2 Consider Approval of Request to Hire: Director of Human Resources
 - 21.2.3 Consider Acceptance of Revised Resignation for the Purposes of Retirement: Cook III, Lincoln School
 - 21.2.4 Consider Acceptance of Resignation: Paraprofessional- Categorical, Lincoln School
- 22. Pupil Personnel
 - 22.1. Consider Interdistrict Transfer Requests (Pursuant to Education Code 48204, 35146)
 - 22.1.1 Consider Approval of 2024-25 New Attendance Requests Site-Based Program
 - 22.1.2 Consider Approval of 2024-25 New Attendance Requests Central Valley Home School

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

ACTION

23. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session

Action taken on agenda item 20.1.1.:

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

• Case No. 25-03- The Board upheld the recommendation for expulsion of the student to Violet Heintz or a school outside of the District for two semesters (the remainder of the 24-25 school

year.) The student will have the opportunity to return to a comprehensive school site for the start of the 25-26 school year, given the successful completion of the rehabilitation plan.

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

<u>Action taken on agenda items 21.1.1. – 21.2.2.</u> Moved: Mr. Yanes; Seconded: Rev. Ezaki, to take the following action:

- Approved Student Teachers for the 2024-2025 Spring Semester
- Accepted Resignation for the Purposes of Retirement: Beverly Rosas, RSP Teacher, Lincoln School
- Accepted Resignation for the Purposes of Retirement: Carol Bray, Director of Human Resources
- Approved Request to Hire: Dustin Johnson, Director of Human Resources

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

Action taken on agenda items 21.2.3. – 21.2.4.:

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

- Accepted Revised Resignation for the Purposes of Retirement: Magdalena Gonzales, Cook III, Lincoln School
- Accepted Resignation: Vanessa Vallejo, Paraprofessional- Categorical, Lincoln School

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

<u>Action taken on agenda items 22.1.1. – 22.1.2.</u> Moved: Rev. Ezaki; Seconded: Mr. Yanes, to take the following action:

- 2024-25 New Attendance Requests Site-Based Program Approved all requests.
- 2024-25 New Attendance Requests Central Valley Home School Waitlisted one request; approved all other requests.

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

24. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p.m.