

**KIT CARSON UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of March 26, 2014

**1. OPEN SESSION**

- a. Call to Order: Leonard Dias, president called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm
- b. Members Present: The following trustees were present: Andy Atsma, Sheree Deniz, Leonard Dias, Dino Giacomazzi and Joe Oliveira were present. Also present were Todd Barlow, Superintendent/Principal and Margaret DeSantos, Administrative Secretary. Present in the audience Shelley Leal and Jason Chmielewski.
- c. Pledge to the Flag: Margaret DeSantos led the pledge of allegiance.

**2. Public Comment**

- a. Jason Chmielewski was present and informed the governing board of Google Technology. He stated that it would benefit the Kit Carson students and staff.

**3. Presentations, Report and Communications**

- a. **Review calendar events:** Mr. Barlow reviewed the calendar of events, he mentioned that the the 6th grade students and staff enjoyed their time at the Outdoor Ed field trip; also the 3rd grade students enjoyed their field trip to Farm Day at the Kings County Fairgrounds; he mentioned the Book Fair viewing scheduled for Wednesday, March 26th, and invited the board members to the Storybook Parade scheduled for Friday, March 28th. Mr. Barlow also invited the board members to the PTC Carnival on Saturday, April 5th. Mr. Barlow reminded the board members that the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) testing is replacing California Standards Test (CST) and that the window for the CAASPP testing opens Monday, April 7th; he also mentioned that the 7th graders are traveling to the Monterey Bay Aquarium, Pee Wee Track Meet is scheduled for Thursday, April 10th and the 8th graders are going to Mariposa for Civil War Day on Friday, April 11th.

**b. Board and staff comments:**

- i. **Staff :** Margaret DeSantos stated that as of today Kit Carson has 399 students enrolled and Mid Valley Charter School is at 19 students. Mrs. DeSantos also stated that she is very happy to be back to work after having surgery on her left shoulder. Shelley Leal reported that she is working on the new budget and on the Local Control Accountability Program

ii. **Board:**

**Trustee Oliveira** reported that the Hanford High Basketball boys are Valley Champions, they also hosted the State Play-off Basketball Tournament, they beat West Lake Village Basketball Team, but lost to Anaheim Hills Canyon school. Trustee Oliveira stated that “It was a great experience.” He also stated that there were a few former Kit Carson students on the team. He also welcomed Mrs. DeSantos back to work.

**Trustee Deniz** - No report

**Trustee Giacomazzi** stated that the Kings Farm Bureau would like to utilize the Kit Carson cafeteria for a “Meet the Candidate Night” on Tuesday, April 8th, 9th or 10th starting at noon. Trustee Giacomazzi will contact Mr. Barlow for a definite date and time.

**Trustee Atsma** - No report

**Trustee Dias** gave kudos to Mrs. Mankey and her students for the Tiger Roar News

announcement; he also stated that he received positive feedback regarding the 3rd graders field trip to the Farm Day event and gave kudos to the teachers in charge of that event. Trustee Dias welcomed Mrs. DeSantos back to work, and congratulated Trustee Oliveira on the State Championship win. Trustee Dias also congratulated Trustee Giacomazzi on his mother receiving the Women of the Year Award. He also thanked Trustee Giacomazzi for the use of the trailer that is displaying the Spring Fling Carnival sign.

**c. Superintendent’s Report:** Mr. Barlow informed the governing board members, that he has no updated information regarding the robbery of the HPS equipment. He also made a correction on his recent report of the robbery, he stated that one of their trucks was not stolen, but the equipment in the truck was stolen. Mr. Barlow reported that the district had their annual “K” Round-up and at this time we currently have 15 kindergartners enrolled for the 2014-2015 school year.

Mr. Barlow informed the governing board members that he spoke with Robert Inabnit. He stated that Robert is in good spirits and is wanting to return to work on April 22nd. He also stated that Carlos Marroquin has been filling in for Robert.

Mr. Barlow reported that he met with Josh Golden regarding the Water Project and the reimbursement monies to the district. Mr. Barlow did informed the members that the district received a check in the amount of \$411,000, however there is still money owed to the district and it is forthcoming.

Mr. Barlow gave a presentation using the Google Slides online application, he spoke of the Budget Crisis, reviewing the 2011-2014 budget cuts the district has made; the Common Core Standards, and Local Control Funding Formula. He highlighted the use of Google application for his presentation and also spoke of Google Education Technology for the district, giving an overview of the benefits, including collaboration and cooperative learning opportunities for students and staff.

**d. Kit Carson Educators Associated Proposal**

The board reviewed the initial proposal offered by KCEA.

**4. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**a. Review and accept bills and warrants**

As submitted by Shelley Leal

**b. Review draft of the 2014-2015 School Instructional Calendar**

Mr. Barlow reviewed the calendar with the board members and stated that the Teachers Association has reviewed the calendar and has approved it with a change of the work days and the Professional Development days.

**5. Business**

**a. Consider re-approving Resolution 1314-09; Increase of Developer Fees**

Shelley Leal explained to the board members that at the February 26th meeting the Resolution had an error on page 3 section 2b, it read mini-storage facilities charge would be \$0.07, however the correct charge is \$0.18. It was moved by Trustee Giacomazzi to re-approve the Resolution as presented; Trustee Atsma seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Trustee Atsma	Trustee Deniz	Trustee Dias	Trustee Giacomazzi	Trustee Oliveira
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

b. Consider approval of the Sierra Outdoor Ed Agreement for 2014-15

Mr. Barlow stated that there will be less students next year. It was moved by Trustee Oliveira to approve the Agreement as presented; Trustee Deniz seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Trustee Atsma	Trustee Deniz	Trustee Dias	Trustee Giacomazzi	Trustee Oliveira
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

c. Consider approving the Library Media Services for 2014-15 between Tulare County Office of Education and Kit Carson Union School District

Mr. Barlow stated that this is an annual Agreement and there are no changes. It was moved by Trustee Atsma to approve the Agreement as presented; Trustee Deniz seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Trustee Atsma	Trustee Deniz	Trustee Dias	Trustee Giacomazzi	Trustee Oliveira
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

d. Consider approving adding the position of Coach on the Salary Schedule

Mr. Barlow stated that this would allow a classified staff member to coach school sports. It was moved by Trustee Oliveira to added the position as presented; Trustee Deniz seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Trustee Atsma	Trustee Deniz	Trustee Dias	Trustee Giacomazzi	Trustee Oliveira
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

e. Consider approving the Letter of Agreement between Kagan Professional Development and Kit Carson Elementary School

Mr. Barlow informed the board that this company will provide Professional Development services to our certificated staff. He also stated that Kit Carson will split the cost with Island School and Kings River-Hardwick School. It was moved by Trustee Atsma to approve the Agreement as presented; Trustee Giacomazzi seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Trustee Atsma	Trustee Deniz	Trustee Dias	Trustee Giacomazzi	Trustee Oliveira
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

f. Consider approving the Local Educational Agency Program Improvement Plan Addendum

Mr. Barlow that he has updated the LEA Plan and wrote the addendum as well. He stated that this includes Mid Valley Charter School. It was moved by Trustee Deniz to approve the Addendum as presented; Trustee Atsma seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Trustee Atsma	Trustee Deniz	Trustee Dias	Trustee Giacomazzi	Trustee Oliveira
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

g. Consider approving the MOU between Tulare County Superintendent of Schools Migrant Education Program, Region VIII and Kit Carson Union School District

Mr. Barlow stated that this is an annual item and there are no changes. Mr. Barlow stated that the following teachers are providing services to students: Mrs. Bartram, Miss Escareno and Mrs. Mankey. It was moved by Trustee Giacomazzi to approve the MOU as presented; Trustee Deniz seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Trustee Atsma	Trustee Deniz	Trustee Dias	Trustee Giacomazzi	Trustee Oliveira
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

**6. Financial:**

a. Consider approval of the Second Interim Report

Shelley Leal presented a Powerpoint presentation to the board members and distributed an Excel spread sheet with the financial figures. Mrs. Leal reviewed the following: Declining Enrollment; Local Control Funding Formula, Contributions, Transportation budget, Latchkey and other financial matters that benefit the district. After a short discussion it was moved by Trustee Oliveira to approve the Second Interim Report as presented; Trustee Giacomazzi seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Trustee Atsma	Trustee Deniz	Trustee Dias	Trustee Giacomazzi	Trustee Oliveira
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

b. Consider approving Resolution 1314-10; The Matter of adopting Budget Revisions

It was moved by Trustee Atsma to approve the budget revisions as presented; Trustee Oliveira seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Trustee Atsma	Trustee Deniz	Trustee Dias	Trustee Giacomazzi	Trustee Oliveira
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

**ACTIONS ITEMS:**

**7. Consent Items**

a. Consider approving the Special Board minutes of February 12, 2014, Regular Board minutes of February 26, 2014 and Special Board minutes of March 12, 2014.

It was moved by Trustee Oliviera to approve the minutes as presented; Trustee Atsma seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Trustee Atsma	Trustee Deniz	Trustee Dias	Trustee Giacomazzi	Trustee Oliveira
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

**8. Inter-District Transfer Request and Renewals**

It was moved by Trustee Atsma to approve the inter-district request as presented for the school year 2013-14; Trustee Deniz seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 4-1 vote.

Trustee Atsma	Trustee Deniz	Trustee Dias	Trustee Giacomazzi	Trustee Oliveira
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Nay

**9. Personnel**

- a. Consider accepting the resignation of a certificated staff member

It was moved, regrettably by Trustee Oliveira to accept the resignation as presented; Trustee Atsma seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Trustee Atsma	Trustee Deniz	Trustee Dias	Trustee Giacomazzi	Trustee Oliveira
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

**10. Future Planning and Adjournment**

**Future Items:** Next meeting: Wednesday, April 23, 2014 at 6:30 pm  
 Local Control Accountability Plan  
 Possible two Board meetings in June 2014

**The Board adjourned the meeting at 8:01 pm to closed session. No decision to be made.**

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Leonard Dias, President

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Andy Atsma, Clerk of the Board

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Todd Barlow, Superintendent/Principal