

## **KIT CARSON UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of February 22, 2012

### **1. OPEN SESSION**

#### a) Call to Order

Leonard Dias, president, called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm

#### b) Members Present

The following trustees were present: Andy Atsma, Sheree Deniz, Leonard Dias, and Trustee Oliveira. Trustee Giacomazzi was absent. Also present were Todd Barlow, Superintendent/Principal, Margaret DeSantos, and Administrative Secretary. Also present in the audience Kim Grant, Samantha Roy and Mrs. Lori Roy.

#### c) Pledge to the Flag

Samantha Roy led the pledge of allegiance.

### **2. Public Comment**

None

### **3. Presentations, Report and Communications**

#### a) Review calendar events

Mr. Barlow reviewed the calendar, and spoke of the practice run for the "One Bus Run" which will begin tomorrow, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. Barlow stated that the practice on Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> went very well; he did state that he will have to monitor the pick-up area closely to make sure that the traffic flows easily. Mrs. Roy was present, and she stated that that the practice run was very well organized and went very well.

Mr. Barlow also stated that Professional Development Day on February was focused on gathering data on students in preparation for testing and on the Common Core Standards.

#### **Board and staff comments:**

##### **Staff**

- Margaret DeSantos stated that as of today, Kit Carson School has 420 students enrolled and Mid Valley School has 19 students enrolled.
- Kim Grant stated that she has been working on the Budget. She also on the Water Project and is communicating with the Department of Public Health. Mrs. Grant stated that she and Mr. Barlow will meet with representatives of the California Department of Public Health on March 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 to discuss the water pipeline project.

##### **Board:**

- Trustee Oliveira - no report
- Trustee Deniz stated that her daughter, Kyleen Caetano was a roving substitute on February 21, 2012. Kyleen told her mom, "It was liked being at home, again."

- Trustee Atsma - no report
- Trustee Dias reported that he has viewed the Kit Carson Webpage, and notice the magnitude of information regarding the “One Bus Run” starting Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. Dias also commended the California Citizen against the High Speed Rail Authority Organization, for their support against the high speed rail.

b) Review quarterly Williams Report

Mr. Barlow submitted the report as presented and also stated that there were no complaints.

c) Superintendent’s Report

Mr. Barlow informed the board members that the district received the Kings County Office of Education Resolution, A020812; Approving the Establishment of Trustee Area Boundaries and Completing Change to By-Trustee Area Elections for the Kit Carson Union School District.

Mr. Barlow also stated that he has updated the Safe School Plan. He will present the Plan to the Site Council Committee and then will add the Plan to the March 14<sup>th</sup> agenda for board approval. Mr. Barlow presented the SARC (School Account Report Card) and informed the board members that they may view the report on the school webpage.

Mr. Barlow reported that the sixth graders held a tamale/enchilada fundraiser, but are \$1,467 short of reaching their goal for the fieldtrip. However, because this is an important educational experience the district will pay the needed amount from the general fund so that the students can attend the fieldtrip.

Mr. Barlow stated that the 8<sup>th</sup> grader traveled to San Luis Obispo to tour the Cal Poly Campus; he also stated that the teachers did a wonderful job on the Character Counts Wall located in the cafeteria. Mr. Barlow also gave kudos to all the staff members for doing a wonderful job on this project.

Mr. Barlow also mentioned that he spoke with Mr. Sousa. Mr. Sousa said the doctor reported that his prognosis is good and he will now be on aggressive monitoring.

Mr. Barlow also gave Margaret DeSantos kudos for preparing a binder with all the board agendas, board minutes and e-mails relating to the Water Project.

**4. INFORMATION ITEMS**

a) Review Bills and Warrants

The Bills and Warrants were accepted as submitted by Kim Grant.

b) Discuss the Pipeline project and KNN Public Finance mechanism

A discussion was held regarding the need to proceed with this project. A concern was expressed that the district could be penalized due to the level of arsenic in the

water being slightly above federal regulations; and there could be a possibility that the state will not release the funds designated for the project because of the district delay in proceed with the water project.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **5. Business**

- a) Consider approving and adopting the second reading of certain Board Policies (BP) and Administrative Regulations (AR) for the purpose of updating them

Mr. Barlow stated that he reviewed the board policies and the administrative regulations. He stated that he has selected option #1 of AR 3541.1; Private vehicles shall not be used to provide transportation for school-related trips, unless it related to a student with a medical condition; and on AR5131.7, Weapons and Instrument, which indicates that a student may not have pepper spray, and BP 6170.1, Transitional Kindergarten, this is no longer mandated by the state, therefore Mr. Barlow recommends that AR 5131.7 and BP 6170.1 not be adopted. It was moved by Trustee Oliveira; Trustee Atsma seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 4-0 vote.

- b) Consider approving Resolution 1112-13; In the Matter of Opposing the California High-Speed Rail Authority High-Speed Train Project

It was moved by Trustee Dias to approve the Resolution 1112-13 as presented; Trustee Atsma seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 4-0 vote.

### **6. Financial**

None

### **7. Consent Items**

Items listed are considered routine and may be adopted in one motion. If discussion is required, a particular item may be removed upon request by a Board member and made a part of the regular business.

- a) Consider approving the minutes of the Board Meeting of February 22, 2012

It was moved by Trustee Oliveira to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Deniz seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

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

None

### **9. Personnel**

- Consider approving a leave of absence for a certificated employee

It was moved by Trustee Deniz to approve the requested as presented. Trustee Atsma seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

### **10. Future Planning and Adjournment**

Next Board Meeting: March 14, 2012

Present the Safety School Plan

Present a Reduction in Force (RIF) Resolution

Adjourned at 7:35 pm, to closed session. No action to be taken.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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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