

KIT CARSON UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of October 24, 2012

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, Leonard Dias, and Joe Oliveira. The following trustees were absent, Sheree Deniz and Dino Giacomazzi. Also present were Todd Barlow, Superintendent/Principal and Margaret DeSantos, Administrative Secretary. Also present in the audience: Kim Grant.

c) Pledge to the Flag

Joe Oliveira led the pledge of allegiance.

2. a. Public Comment

None

3. Presentations, Report and Communications

a) Review calendar events

Mr. Barlow reviewed the calendars and mentioned the following: today was a Professional Development Day for the certificated staff; he stated that Red Ribbon Week will begin on Thursday, October 25th; he also stated that the Kings County Sheriff's will be on campus on Monday, October 29th for the Red Ribbon Rally; the Halloween parties will be held on October 31st, pumpkin pie soft sales will begin on November 1st, Election Day on November 6th, and he mentioned the board members scheduled visits on October 26th at 8:30 am.

Mr. Barlow stated that a Budget Committee meeting is scheduled to view a Webinar and discussion Proposition 30 should it not pass in the upcoming Election on November 6th.

Mr. Barlow stated that the next Board meeting is scheduled for November 14th at 6:30 pm.

b) Board and staff comments:

Staff

- Margaret DeSantos reported that as of today there are 405 students enrolled at Kit Carson and Mid Valley Charter School has 21 students enrolled.
- Kim Grant mentioned the possibility of paying the school bills through Sun Guard, which is a company that offers an electronic credit card to pay bills. This would help Mrs. Vickers in a way, which she would not have to request a warrant from the Kings County Office of Education.

Board:

- Trustee Oliveira wished Mr. Barlow a Happy Birthday. He also mentioned that Basketball try-outs for Hanford High School have begun and Trevor Furtado a Kit Carson graduate is participating in the try-outs.
- Trustee Atsma also wished Mr. Barlow a Happy Birthday.
- Trustee Dias thanked Stacey Unruh for updating the Kit Carson web page, especially for updating the Staff contacts and keeping up with the Board Agendas.

Trustee Dias also wished Mr. Barlow a Happy Birthday.

Trustee Dias mentioned that the traffic light is now under construction at the corner of Hwy 43 and Lacey Blvd. He thanked Mr. Fagundes for supporting the need of a traffic stop light at the same location.

c) Superintendent's Report

Mr. Barlow reported that he was very pleased with today's Professional Development for the certificated staff. The focus was on Common Core Standards and Student Engagement.

Mr. Barlow also mentioned that the Common Core Standard test may be taken on the computer. Schools across the state are in the process of evaluating their technological capabilities. According to the Technology Readiness Tool report, Kit Carson is in the same situation as a lot of schools in terms of our operating systems and computers processing speed. He informed the board members that our current lab could handle online testing, but we might need more computers to facilitate a more efficient testing timeline.

Mr. Barlow also informed the board members of the district new one call phone system through School Reach Phone System. He stated that Mrs. DeSantos sent out a phone message to all the staff informing them of the scheduled minimum day for October 24th and that he himself sent a phone message to the board members reminding them of the board meeting tonight.

Mr. Barlow also stated that the Hanford High School Girls Water Polo team won the Western Yosemite League Championship on Monday, October 22nd and that his daughter Lauren, a Kit Carson graduate, scored two goals.

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

a) Review Bills and Warrants

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

ACTION ITEMS

5. Business

- a. Consider approving Resolution 1213-05 to authorize the construction of the Kit Carson Water connection with the City of Hanford

Kim Grant stated that a previous resolution (Resolution 1213-01) was approved by the governing board at a previous board meeting. This Resolution 1212-05 is a revision. Mrs. Grant also stated that she recommends that the governing board approve Resolution 1213-05. After a brief discussion, it was moved by Trustee Oliveira to approve the Resolution 1213-05 as presented; Trustee Atsma seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 3-0 vote.

- b. Consider approval of contract with Data WORKS Education Research for Professional Development for October 2012 and February 2013

Mr. Barlow stated that this was discussed at a previous board meeting for the Professional Development held today for the certificated staff. It was moved by Trustee Atsma to approve the contract as presented; Trustee Oliveira seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 3-0 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.

Consider approving the Board minutes of October 10, 2012

It was moved by Trustee Oliveira to approve the minutes as presented; Trustee Atsma seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 3-0 vote.

8. Inter-District Transfer Request and Renewals

It was moved by Trustee Dias to approve the minutes as presented; Trustee Atsma seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 3-0 vote.

9. Personnel

None

10. Future Planning and Adjournment

Mr. Barlow stated that the next Board meeting is scheduled for November 14th, not November 7th. Also the board members are scheduled to visit the school on November 9th at 8:30 am.

Adjourned at 7:05 pm, No closed session

Date: _____

Leonard Dias, President

Andy Atsma, Clerk of the Board

Todd Barlow, Superintendent/Principal