

KIT CARSON UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of November 14, 2012

1. OPEN SESSION

a) Call to Order

Leonard Dias, president, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

b) Members Present

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

c) Pledge to the Flag

Sheree Deniz 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: the soccer game against Lakeside School, which both Kit Carson boys and girls team won; he stated that eight of the Kit Carson teachers will be participating in the Instructional Rounds on Thursday, Nov. 15th; Tiger Society will be held only on Tuesday, Nov 20th the 4th thru 8th grade students will be going to Roller Towne and the Kinder thru 3rd grade students will have a party in the cafeteria. They will have music, face painting and other fun activities; on December 11th the 4th/5th graders have a walk through History.

b) Board and staff comments:

Staff

- Margaret DeSantos reported that as of today there are 406 students enrolled at Kit Carson and Mid Valley Charter School has 20 students enrolled. Mrs. DeSantos also informed the board members that the Staff Christmas Party will be held at the Irwin Street Inn.
- Robert Inabnit reported that the engine on bus #1 had to be service for a censor that was faulty, however it was under warranty. He also reported that the CHP Motor Carrier inspected the bus and the district bus records.
- Kim Grant reported that the district has been given extra funds to be utilized on the destruction of Well #1. The funds are part of the original CA Public Health Rural Water contract from 2008.

Board:

- Trustee Oliveira stated that he extremely enjoyed his school visit on Friday, Nov 9th. He stated that the school grounds look great and the teachers are doing a phenomenal job. He also state that he was impressed by how the students were using the responders during class time. He also gave kudos to Mrs. Patty for the upkeep of the Garden. Trustee Oliveira stated that this is the best part of being a Board member.
- Trustee Oliveira also stated that the staff at Mid Valley Charter School is doing a fantastic job as well.
- Trustee Deniz stated that she too enjoyed her visit to the school. It was unique to see teachers and students working so well with the responders.
- Trustee Atsma stated that it was a nice visit for him as well. He stated that it was neat to see the students at work during class time. He stated it was very impressive to see the student work with the responders.
- Trustee Dias also participated in the board visit on Friday, Nov 9th. He was very impressed with one student, this student explained how a responder is used, he also demonstrated the responder's abilities.
- Trustee Dias also stated that they visited Mr. Lloyd's class during a math lesson; he was fascinated on the level of math which the students are learning.
- Trustee Dias thanked Mr. Barlow for keeping the board updated on school matters via e-mails.
- Trustee Dias also reiterated that he would like any classroom to visit one of the regular board meetings. Mr. Barlow stated that it has been an open invitation to each teacher at the Faculty Meetings.

c) Superintendent's Report

Mr. Barlow thanked the school board members for taking time from their busy work schedules to visit the school and classrooms.

Mr. Barlow stated that Proposition 30 has passed, and stated that he and the budget committee viewed a webinar regarding Prop 30.

Mr. Barlow stated he continues to track the deterioration of the pavement in the front parking lot. He is looking forward to fixing it this summer.

Mr. Barlow stated that Well #1 has to be destroyed, and once this is done he envisions an extension to our parking lot and student pick-up area.

Mr. Barlow mentioned that the Organizational Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 13th at 6:30 pm.

He also distributed the "Tigers Roar" newsletter in which Mrs. Mankey's class had prepared. The board read the publication and made several positive comments.

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

a) Review Bills and Warrants

The Bills and Warrants were submitted by Kim Grant, as accepted by the governing board.

b) Review Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints

Mr. Barlow stated that there have been no complaints filed.

ACTION ITEMS

5. Business

a. Consider authorizing Resolution 1213-06 to destroy Well #1

Kim Grant stated that this is part of the water connection with the City of Hanford project. It has been requested that the destruction of well #1, formally scheduled during construction, has been rescheduled sooner to absorb cash that still available from CA Dept of Public Health.

b. Consider approval of the updated School Parental Involvement Policy

Mr. Barlow reported that this policy is specific to Kit Carson School and is a school level document. It was moved by Trustee Atsma to approve the School Parental Involvement Policy as presented; Trustee Deniz seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 4-0 vote.

6. Financial

a) Consider approval of the REVISED Unaudited Actuals for the 2011/12 fiscal year

Kim Grant stated, since the September 12th board meeting, the district was required to meet the Special Education Maintenance of Effort (SEMOE), after review by Kings County Office of Education, the result was positive and the district has met the requirement. It was moved by Trustee Oliveira to approve the revision as presented; Trustee Atsma seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 4-0 vote.

7. Consent Items

Consider approving the Board minutes of October 24, 2012

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

8. Inter-District Transfer Request and Renewals

It was moved by Trustee Deniz to approve the minutes as presented; Trustee Atsma seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 4-0 vote.

9. Personnel

None

10. Future Planning and Adjournment

Robert Inabnit would like to have a Resolution requesting a new bus for Kit Carson School, and Kim Grant request that the Interim Report be discussed at the next board meeting.

Adjourned at 7:05 pm to closed session; no action to be taken.

Date: _____

Leonard Dias, President

Andy Atsma, Clerk of the Board

Todd Barlow, Superintendent/Principal