

**KITTITAS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 403
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
KITTITAS, WA 98934**

Regular Board Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2011
7:30 p.m.
Kittitas School District Board Room

Patricia Clerf, Chair
Paul Johnson, Vice Chair
Mark Hansen, Member
Max Tilton, Member
Jeff Wallace, Member

Monty Sabin, Superintendent
Jessica Gleason, Recording Secretary

The regular board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. to a flag salute led by Patty Clerf. All board members were present.

Call to Order

Monty Sabin presented Jeff Houck's retirement letter to the school board. Max Tilton moved to accept Mr. Houck's intention to retire at the end of the school year. Paul Johnson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Personnel

Monty Sabin recommended the school board approve Allison McWeeny as the Assistant Middle School Track coach. Paul Johnson moved to approve Ms. McWeeny for the coaching position. Max Tilton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Patty Clerf introduced the consent agenda as amended. Jeff Wallace moved to approve the consent agenda (minutes from March 15, 2011 Regular Meeting; General Fund A/P Voucher #61125 for \$3,295.47, General Fund A/P Vouchers #61126-61205 for \$83,419.71, General Fund A/P Voucher #61206-61208 for \$7,384.21, District Credit Card statement, ASB Vouchers #5328-5347 for \$12,732.55, General Fund Payroll Benefits Vouchers #61103-61123 for \$201,094.72, Payroll Voucher #61124 for 4,071.18, Payroll Vouchers #61087-61102 and Direct Deposit for \$225,443.64). Paul Johnson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Max Tilton moved to approve the regular agenda; Paul Johnson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Regular Agenda

Judy Ramos and Cheryl Uceny introduced themselves as guests. Jodi Musser arrived mid-meeting.

Guests

Mr. Sabin presented school board members with a letter from Mike Garoutte, addressing perceived inaccuracies in previous school board correspondences from player parents. The school board thanked Mr. Sabin for relaying the information.

Public Comments/Public Correspondence

Mr. Sabin reported that we are 58% into the fiscal year; General Fund has collected 61.26% anticipated revenues and spent 63.83% budgeted expenditures. Mark Hansen requested clarification of the Federal special purpose fund. Mark Hansen inquired about transportation funding status and how the loss of bus depreciation payments will affect the budget. Mr. Sabin updated & discussed the proposed revised OSPI funding formula.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Sabin reminded the board that there is a likely chance that K-4 enhancement funds will be gone and the legislature will make the loss retroactive. Mr. Sabin and the school board members discussed state level negotiations regarding the state pay schedule and the affects state level decisions will have on Kittitas' budget.

Mr. Sabin detailed the school board on April enrollment numbers and trends. Mr. Sabin highlighted running start numbers and fluctuations due to senior projects, as well as late arrival and early release for seniors. Mrs. Clerf questioned Mr. Larsen about elementary enrollment trends and the potential need for a split classroom in 2011-2012. Mr. Larsen indicated that while it would be nice, the budget does not support it.

Mr. Sabin reported that the Leadership Academy visited elementary classrooms using instructional framework as a guide. Mr. Sabin discussed the next steps and future of instructional framework within Kittitas classrooms. Mr. Sabin shared that the group began discussing the end of year conference in Spokane and has finished the PLC book study.

Judy Ramos reported that ASB has been very busy this spring, especially the upper classes. Freshmen and sophomore classes have had meetings. The junior class is planning Prom and currently finalizing decoration decisions while selling tickets. The senior class is planning graduation, senior bar-b-q, and baccalaureate. Art Club had a meeting, Cheer recently held try outs and 10 girls will cheer for fall, while 8 girls will cheer for winter. Band visited nursing homes recently and performed for the residents. FFA is gearing up for fair and working on opening the greenhouse. FCCLA will be sending 13 students to nationals in Anaheim, CA. FBLA will send 8 students to nationals in Orlando, FL. Both groups are working diligently to fund the trips. Honor Society is finishing the mountain naming project in the commons. Inter-High will attend LASC conference in May. Yearbooks are being sold through the final months. Ms. Ramos detailed the school board on the upcoming Bobby Petrocelli assembly.

There were no Parent Group/Booster reports.

Mr. Reno relayed to the school board that district spring tournaments are currently being finalized. Tournament dates & brackets are posted to the District 6 website. All qualifying tournaments will be at Eastmont SD. At a recent WIAA meeting, it was voted to continue current format of play-off organization for next school year.

Mr. Larsen shared that spring conferences went very well with close to 100% attendance. Mr. Larsen detailed the school board on the upcoming Earth Day & Safe Routes event and explained that elementary students would be walking around town picking up garbage and charting hazards within the school walk zone. Mr. Larsen invited school board members to Parent Group BINGO night April 29th and informed members that proceeds will benefit the Scholarship fund. Mr. Larsen shared that teachers are previewing Everyday Math 2011 and he and the faculty will be discussing possible curriculum adoption for next school year. Mr. Larsen explained the different scenarios for curriculum enhancement being discussed. Mr. Larsen updated the school board on Kindergarten registration status and stated that currently the numbers are very low compared to years past. Mr. Larsen reminded the school board that enrollment has a tendency to fluctuate and gave examples from year past.

Mr. Brauer added to Ms. Ramos' report that FBLA & FCCLA did wonderful jobs representing Kittitas and we have amazing kids. Mr. Brauer informed the board that the recently completed student led conferences went well and it is a nice week to touch base with parents. Mr. Brauer and Mr. Hyatt are finishing the master schedule, working through details at this point and will present at next month's meeting. Mr. Brauer shared that the

ASB Report

Booster/Parent Group

Athletic Director Report

Elementary Report

Secondary Report

Secondary school will be testing heavy the last few months of school. Mr. Brauer detailed the board on the numerous extended learning opportunities for Middle and High School students. Mr. Brauer reminded the board that spring is a very busy time in a secondary building with all the extra-curricular events.

Mr. Sabin presented draft policy 3207- Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying to the school board for third reading. Mr. Sabin reminded the school board of the verbiage that was amended from last meeting. Mark Hansen moved to approve Policy 3207. Paul Johnson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Policy 3207 – Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying

Mr. Sabin presented Policy 3520 - “Student Fees, Fines, Charges” for 2nd reading. Mr. Sabin detailed the board on procedure updates and discussed fine amounts. Paul Johnson moved to approve the policy as presented. Max Tilton seconded the motion. The motion carried with 100% approval.

Policy 3520 – Student Fees, Fines, Charges

Mr. Sabin presented Policy 4260 – “Use of School Facilities” for 2nd reading. Mr. Sabin reiterated the background for updating the facility use policy, as discussed last meeting. Mr. Sabin discussed insurance coverage wording within the policy and changes to current use procedures. Paul Johnson moved to approve the policy as presented. Max Tilton seconded the motion. The motion carried with 100% approval.

Policy 4260 – Use of School Facilities

Mr. Sabin opened the floor to Jodi Musser for FBLA Nationals travel approval. Ms. Musser explained that 8 students qualified, they will leave for Orlando June 26th, and will stay 7 days and 6 nights. The cost will be approximately \$1650 per student. Students have been fundraising all year as participants are 100% responsible to pay their fees. Mark Hansen moved to approve the travel, as long as the funds are there. Jeff Wallace seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Travel Approval

Mr. Sabin opened the floor to Cheryl Uceny for FCCLA Nationals travel approval. Ms. Uceny explained that 13 students qualified, they will leave for Anaheim July 7th, and will stay 8 days and 7 nights. The cost will be approximately \$2000 per student. Students have been fundraising all year as participants are 100% responsible to pay their fees. Paul Johnson moved to approve the travel, as long as the funds are there. Max Tilton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Brauer requested school board approval for the annual Middle School Rewards trip to Safeco field in Seattle to attend a Mariners game June 1st. Additionally, Mr. Brauer requested approval for Mrs. Prigge to transport students to Everett Community College for post graduation awareness study in May. Jeff Wallace moved to approve both trips as presented. Max Tilton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Sabin opened the floor to Mr. Larsen for 2011-2012 calendar approval. Mr. Larsen detailed the school board on recent calendar committee discussions and ideas that came from the meetings. Mr. Larsen shared that the committee decided to present full-day in-services rather than half days because the disruption to schedules is lessened with an entire day off rather than half day. Mr. Larsen and the school board discussed parent feedback from the calendar meetings. Mr. Larsen shared that the loss of staff development LIDays as another major reason for full day meeting days. Mark Hansen moved to approve the 2011-2012 calendar. Paul Johnson seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 100% vote.

2011-2012 Calendar Approval

Mr. Sabin presented resolution 10/11.04- Request for waiver of 180 day requirement for school years 2012, 2013, & 2014. Mr. Sabin reminded the board that the resolution would

Resolution 10/11.04- Request for 180 day waiver

be sent to State Board of Education. Mark Hansen moved to adopt the resolution. Max Tilton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Patty Clerf opened discussion about the need for an informal budget study session after the next school board meeting. Mrs. Clerf inquired whether board members would be available and willing to meet for brainstorming session with admin and other district voices to receive input on next year's budget needs. All board members indicated they would be available and willing to meet.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Adjournment

Patty Clerf, Chairperson

Monty Sabin, Superintendent

Jessica Gleason, Secretary