

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

Regular Board Meeting Minutes
September 21, 2010
7:30 p.m.
Kittitas School District Board Room

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

Monty Sabin, Superintendent
Jessica Gleason, Recording Secretary

The regular board meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. to a flag salute led by Mark Hansen. All board members were present except Paul Johnson.

Call to Order

Monty Sabin presented the following employee resignations for board approval:

Personnel

- Glenda Neirman Special Education Aide
- Rebecca Harless Part-time School Nurse
- Brandie Walters Classroom Aide

Patty Clerf moved to approve the resignations as presented. Max Tilton seconded, the motion carried.

Monty Sabin presented the Kittitas Coaches Association final negotiated agreement to the board for ratification. Patty Clerf moved to approve the agreement as presented. Jeff Wallace seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Frank Reno recommended Chelsea Evans to the school board as MS Second Assistant Volleyball coach. Max Tilton moved to approve Ms. Evans for the contract. Patty Clerf seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Frank Reno recommended Brent Dixon to the school board as HS Third Assistant Football coach. Patty Clerf moved to approve Mr. Dixon for the contract. Max Tilton seconded the motion to move the decision to the floor for vote. Jeff Wallace and Max Tilton voted nay; Patty Clerf and Mark Hansen voted yay. The vote split, decision was tabled to next regularly scheduled meeting.

Max Tilton moved to approve the consent agenda (minutes from August 17, 2010 Regular Meeting; General Fund Voucher #60183 for \$3,468.56, General Fund Voucher #60184 for \$11,899.35, General Fund Vouchers #60185-60293 for \$245,364.48, District Credit Card statement, ASB Vouchers #5232-5244 for \$14,233.22, Transportation Vehicle Fund voucher #92 for \$52,910.00, Payroll Vouchers #60157-60182 and Direct Deposit for \$391,181.55). Patty Clerf seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Monty Sabin recommended amending the regular agenda to delay Policy 3245 adoption due to guidance recently received from WSSDA detailing further data necessary. The WSSDA email came after the agenda had been posted. Patty Clerf moved to table Second reading of Policy 3245. Max Tilton seconded the motion.

Regular Agenda

Patty Clerf moved to approve the regular agenda as amended; Max Tilton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Jennifer Pattison introduced herself as guest.

Guests

Mr. Hansen opened the floor to Jennifer Pattison for public comment. Mrs. Pattison questioned the school board on whether full-time kinder would be continue to be a priority in future school years. Mark Hansen explained that Levy dollars have historically been used to finance full-day, non-state funded portions of Kindergarten. Mr. Hansen explained that the current M & O Levy covers budget through the 2012 school year. Mr. Hansen assured Mrs. Pattison that full-day Kindergarten finance will continue to be on future levies as long as the state budget does not adequately finance the program.

Public Comments

There was no public correspondence.

Public Correspondence

Monty Sabin gave the budget status report August 2010. Mr. Sabin reported that we are 100% into our fiscal year, having collected 94.66% of anticipated revenues, and having spent 98.42% of budgeted expenditures. Max Tilton inquired as to the current percentage our cash balance and Mr. Sabin replied with 6.5%. Monty discussed current nature of state budget and questions that remain with the unstable nature of current budget. Monty reminded school board of possible upcoming budget issues: Productive Learning and 2nd & 3rd grade teacher. Mark Hansen asked about the need for submission of a budget extension. Discussion ensued. Mr. Sabin gave the district enrollment report for September 2010. Mr. Sabin reminded the school board that September 2010 building enrollment was over budgeted enrollment by 16.18FTE. Mr. Sabin shared that Fall 2010 Running Start participation will be very high and Elementary FTE is 16 above budgeted FTE. Mr. Sabin shared that enrollment still continues to increase and probably is not a bubble, more like a trend. Mr. Sabin foresees more of the same for the next several years and reminded that space is an issue that will need to be dealt with.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Sabin informed the board that there were no new events with Washington State Leadership Academy for September 2010.

Derek Larsen informed the board that 86% students were represented at Welcome back night this year. Mr. Larsen shared the teacher/admin/parent feedback has been very positive. Mr. Larsen shared that district MAP testing will begin next week. Teachers have already had a chance to meet and plan Math interventions in a "Walk to Math" group. Mr. Larsen reminded the board that primary enrollment has been a huge deal and the building is still trying to work through the day to day issues of such large class sizes. Mr. Larsen shared some of the solutions he and staff are brainstorming such as increased specialist time, Para-Pro, Second/Third split, etc. Mr. Larsen shared the results of a recent parent meeting and shared that the group realized that the 2nd 3rd combo class would be best option. Mr. Larsen shared the decision to move forward with an additional teacher and communicated personnel and student scheduling strategies that will be utilized to build the classroom. Discussion ensued surrounding the details of beginning a new classroom.

Elementary Principal's Report

Mr. Brauer shared that MAPS testing begins next week and that the August staff training went well. Mr. Brauer shared that teacher reaction to the testing tool has been great. Mr. Brauer shared that sixth grade orientation went well, and the building is in full swing with athletics & kids in classes. Mr. Brauer detailed the school board on the new parking registration system implemented this school year. Mr. Brauer shared that October 22nd will be first ASB fundraiser. Chris informed the school board that he has noticed a major improvement in ASB communications and procedure implementations with this school year. Mr. Brauer recapped Secondary school enrollment. Mr. Brauer informed the board that this year a new freshman incentive would be added to the building plan. For all student's on time for graduation by end of year freshman year, will earn a reward field trip. Ms. Pattison asked about Running Start availability and Mr. Brauer detailed the running start program and student numbers. Max Tilton asked about ways in which the school has been alerting students about the ban on skateboarding on school district property. Mr. Brauer detailed the board on the many ways the ban has been communicated.

Secondary Principal's Report

Frank Reno detailed the school board on athletic turn outs being high across the grade levels. Mr. Reno detailed the board on playoff formats discussed by league officials last week. Mr. Reno shared that the Annual WIAA fall rules workshop was upcoming.

Athletic Director's Report

There was no Technology Report.

Technology Report

There was no Parent Group/Booster Report.

Parent Group Report/Booster Club Report

Mr. Sabin shared the current status of Productive Learning program with the school board.

Productive Learning Report

Mr. Sabin presented Policy 2410, "High School Graduation Requirements" to the board for 2nd reading. Mr. Sabin detailed on the changes from prior reading. Patty Clerf moved to adopt Policy 2410 as presented. Jeff Wallace seconded the motion. The motion carried with unanimous vote.

Policy 2410- HS Grad Req.

Mr. Sabin presented Policy 3241, "Classroom Management, Corrective Actions or Punishment" to the board for 2nd reading. Mr. Sabin detailed on the changes from prior reading. Patty Clerf asked about verbiage within the policy regarding school board becoming due process hearing officials. Mrs. Clerf inquired about current operations and procedures regarding inappropriate electronic images and questioned how well current operations mesh with policy. Mr. Brauer answered questions and discussion ensued. Patty Clerf moved to approve Policy 3241 as presented. Jeff Wallace seconded the motion. The motion carried with unanimous vote.

Policy 3241- Classroom Management, Corrective Action, or Punishment

Mr. Sabin presented Mr. Johnson's annual Band visit to the Seattle EMP for school board >100 mile approval. Max Tilton moved to approve the field trip, Jeff Wallace seconded. The motion carried with unanimous vote.

Field Trip > 100 Miles

Mark Hansen opened the floor for Productive Learning Science curriculum adoption and asked for program principal to present and answer board queries. No Productive Learning representative was present. Due to lack of information and inability to ask questions as to implementation the board determined there is insufficient information to adopt the Science Curriculum. Copies of the texts, access to the courses, and program representation are requested prior to school board approval.

Curriculum Adoption- Productive Learning

Mr. Larsen shared that Elementary made AYP in the 3rd/4th/5th grades. Mr. Larsen discussed Elementary scores and all the changes that Elementary staff have made to improve assessment scores. Discussion regarding current education trends ensued. Mr. Brauer gave the school board a recap of 09-10 Secondary MSP/HSPE scores. Discussion ensued about grade level results and factors that impacted them. Mr. Brauer discussed changes being implemented to improve scores.

Assessment

Mr. Sabin inquired with board members about attendance at the WSSDA Fall Regional Meeting. All present board members will be unable to attend.

WSSDA Regional Meeting

The board adjourned at 9:19pm.

Adjourn

Mark Hansen, Chairperson

Monty Sabin, Superintendent

Jessica Gleason, Secretary