Kimberly School District #414 REGULAR BOARD MEETING FY24

Thursday, February 15, 2024 Item#12B7 1st Reading Adopt Policy 9450 Firearms

Arming staff is a discussion that the KSD Board of Trustees started last spring, including a presentation from a Xavier charter school that allows staff to carry a firearm. The proposed policy has been modeled after the Xavier Charter School and reviewed by the KPD, individuals that have SWAT team experience/certified trainers, and legal counsel, Amy White. This may be a decision that the board may consider taking time adopting a policy instead of the typical two readings.

Since the last board meeting, the Idaho House of Representatives passed HB415 which would allow staff members and volunteers to carry a firearm if they possessed and enhanced concealed license. HB415 now heads to the Idaho Senate, and I have reached out to members of the Senate State Affairs Committee sharing my concerns with HB415. If HB415 does pass the Senate, it appears there will be changes emphasizing training and local control.