

**KIMBERLY SCHOOL DISTRICT 414  
KIMBERLY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
March 15, 2023**

**Board Dinner at 6:00 p.m.**

**Executive Session at 6:15 p.m.**

**Regular Session at 7:00 p.m.**

AGENDA ITEM – 7:15 PM; AGENDA ITEM 10B4 – 7:20 PM

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Allen moved, and Mr. Giles seconded the motion to enter executive session at 6:14 p.m. as provided for in section IC 74-206(1) b **to consider personnel matters**. Mr. Nield asked for a roll call; Mr. Nield – yes, Mr. Giles - yes, Mr. Kelsey – yes, and Mr. Ward – yes. Mr. Allen – yes.

Mr. Allen moved to exit executive session at 7:02 p.m. and Mr. Ward seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

**REGULAR SESSION**

The Board of Trustees of School District No. 414, Twin Falls County, State of Idaho, met in its properly posted, regular monthly meeting in the district board room located at 141 Center Street West, Kimberly Idaho on March 15, 2023. The regular session was called to order by Mr. Kelsey at Nield at 7:03 p.m. In addition to Mr. Nield, present were trustees Mr. Kelsey, Mr. Giles, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Ward. Mr. Schroeder, Superintendent; Ms. Searby, Board Clerk; and Mrs. Wirtz, Business Manager were also in attendance, as well as district administrators and interested patrons in person and on Zoom.

**AGENDA:** Mr. Kelsey moved to approve the amended meeting agenda to include an update to the board meeting date calendar with a revision to the scheduled April meeting date and moving from Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>; Mr. Allen seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

**FLAG SALUTE:** Everyone stood and participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**REPORTS:** None

**HEARING OF VISITORS:** None

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- IHSSA Sportsmanship

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Mrs. Wirtz, business manager presented the financial report, as well as the 2022-2023 comparison report for February. Mr. Kelsey moved to approve the financial report, Mr. Giles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**2<sup>nd</sup> READING OT ADOPT POLICY 2127 SUPPORTING STUDENTS WITH CHARACTERISTICS OF DYSLEXIA:** During the last legislative session, Idaho passed a law that outlines the requirements for school districts to screen for dyslexia, provide interventions, and professional development for staff members. To date, KSD has been the requirements of Idaho code. The proposed policy that was presented is the ISBA

model policy that is aligned with Idaho Code 33-1802. Mr. Giles move to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading to Adopt Policy 2127. Mr. Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Mr. Allen moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Giles seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

1. Approve District Invoices
2. Approve School Invoices
3. Approve Food Service Expenditures
4. Approve Meeting Minutes for February 16, 2023; March 6, 2023; March 13, 2023
5. Approve KHS Spring Sports Schedules – Track; Golf; Varsity Baseball; JV Baseball; Varsity Softball; JV Softball
6. Approve Fundraiser Requests
7. Approve Early Graduation Request for Student X
8. Approve Travel to Lagoon for KHS Senior class on May 24, 2023
9. Surplus Items – Pallets; Plexi Glass

#### **DISCUSSION / AGENDA ITEMS**

**APPROVE ADDITIONAL INVOICES:** Mr. Allen moved to approve the additional invoices as presented. Mr. Giles seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

**MARCH REVISED BUDGET:** Mr. Schroeder explained how the December Budget Revise is utilized to reflect accurate revenues based upon student average daily enrollment through the first Friday of November, which establishes the district's Salary Based Apportionment for the year and provides a pretty good idea for our discretionary budget. He went on to explain that the March revise is a better representation of revenue for discretionary funding. Discretionary funding is based upon an average of the best 28 weeks of average daily enrollment. Laurie Wirtz, Business Manager, outlined the major adjustments to the March Budget Revise and was available in person for trustee questions. Mr. Allen moved to approve, and Mr. Giles seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVE BPA TRAVEL/FINANCIAL REQUEST FOR NATIONALS IN ANAHEIM, CA – APRIL 26-30, 2023:** BPA members Olivia Sturgill, Payton Willie and Jace Hall attended the board meeting to present their request to travel out of state to Anaheim, CA in April to attend the National competition on behalf of their fellow BPA chapter. In total, 23 students qualified to attend, and 22 students will be attending. In addition to travel, they requested financial support to assist with the overall cost. Mr. Kelsey moved to approve covering the registration costs of the nationals for the 22 students which came out to a total of \$2,750.00. Mr. Giles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVE SPEECH AND DEBATE TRAVEL/FINANCIAL REQUEST TO NATIONALS IN PHOENIX/MESA, AZ – June 11-16, 2023:** Speech and Debate members, Jade Barrow and Leah Melvin attended the board meeting to present their request to travel and for financial assistance to their national competition. Both students agreed that their involvement in Speech and Debate has changed their lives and has built an internal confidence in each of them that they didn't have prior. Three students are currently eligible to attend, and this is the 11<sup>th</sup> time Kimberly has attended. The overall cost to attend for each student is estimated to be \$1,000. Mr. Giles moved to approve providing financial assistance in the amount of \$150 per student, for a total of \$450. Mr. Kelsey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVE MATH CURRICULUM ADOPTION:** Matt Schvaneveldt, in collaboration with the KSD Curricular Materials Committee, brought forth a recommendation to the board of trustees to adopt Houghton Mifflin Harcourt into Math for K-5. This includes a six-year contract for the electronic components and the cost will be \$285,386. The recommendation includes utilizing the ESSER III Learning Loss money, as well as the general ESSER III money to purchase. Mr. Giles moved to approve the recommendation; Mr. Kelsey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**SOCIAL MEDIA LAWSUIT:**

Mr. Kelsey moved to approve utilizing the following motion:

*Whereas the Board recognizes that juvenile's access and use of social media is a national and local problem which is alleged to have contributed to the mental health crisis, including students of the District, which likewise impacts the operation of the District; and whereas multi-district litigation is pending against multiple social media companies, in Federal Court; and whereas the Board, having considered the inclusion of the District in this multi-district litigation and having found it to be in the best interest of the District and its students, I hereby move that the Board take all necessary steps to join this lawsuit as a Plaintiff and hereby authorize and direct the Board's Chairman and/or the Superintendent to execute all necessary documents to that end.*

Mr. Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**1<sup>st</sup> READING REVISE OF POLICY 2221 SCHOOL CLOSURE:** Due to the frigid temperatures that Kimberly experienced earlier in the year, Mr. Schroeder stated that this policy as well as policy 3515 need to be updated to provide guidance on when to close school and when to keep students indoors due to the extreme elements. The suggested revisions to policy 2221 would require school to be closed when the air temperature is below -20 or windchill is below -30. Mr. Giles moved to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading to revise policy 2221. Mr. Kelsey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**1<sup>st</sup> READING REVISE OF POLICY 3515 STUDENT ACTIVITIES DURING POOR AIR QUALITY, LIGHTING, AND SEVERE WEATHER:** Due to the frigid temperatures that Kimberly experienced earlier in the year, Mr. Schroeder stated that this policy as well as policy 2221 need to be updated to provide guidance on when to close school and when to keep students indoors due to the extreme elements. The suggested revision to policy 3515 would require students to remain indoors when the air temperature is below 10 degrees or windchill is below 0 degrees. Mr. Kelsey moved to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading to revise policy 3515. Mr. Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**1<sup>st</sup> READING REVISE OF POLICY 3613 LISTEN IN AND DIGITAL ASSISTANT TECHNOLOGY, AUDIO AND VISUAL RECORDINGS:** In 2019, the KSD Board of Trustees adopted a policy regarding "listen in" technology to protect the privacy of students as outlined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA.) At that time, the concern was the use of such technology as an apple watch, Echo, Alexa, etc. Since 2019 technology that records/transmits pictures, audio, and visual recordings has become much more readily available to students, staff, and patrons. Unfortunately, this technology is not always used in a manner conducive to the learning environment and has violated students' right to privacy. Therefore, our current policy needs updating that is specific to when and where this policy is applied and to whom it applies. Mr. Schroeder has with attorney Amy White to revise the current policy to achieve the above goal. Mr. Allen moved to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading to revise policy 3613 and Mr. Giles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:**

1. Good Stories to Share: KHS Boys Basketball awarded 3A Sportsmanship; 22 BPA Students qualified for National Competition; Filer School District assisted a Kimberly bus with a broken windshield wiper when traveling from Hagerman during a winter storm; Carla Hogue, KSD Child Nutrition Director, is the newly elected board member for the Idaho School Nutrition Association; Fellow teacher praised Kristen Lewis from SES for going above and beyond by assisting her with curriculum.
2. Transportation Board Tour Recap: Board Trustees Zach Kelsey, Chad Allen and Curtis Giles met with the KSD transportation department and participated in per-trip checks, ride along on a morning route and having breakfast with the drivers.
3. Athletic Dinner/Auction: April 13<sup>th</sup> at Event 360. Tickets are now available for purchase at Kimberly High School.
4. Governors Grant for Safety Items
5. RFP for Track Resurface
6. Crisis Plan: Tabletop discussion with Chief of Kimberly Police, KSD SRO and District Office and Administrators to collaborate and put an updated crisis plans in place.

**PERSONNEL REPORT:** Mr. Giles moved to approve the personnel report as presented; Mr. Allen seconded the motion. This included the approval of Superintendent Schroeder’s Evaluation. The motion passed unanimously.

- Approve Superintendent Evaluation

**HIRE:**

- Hannah Dunkley Paraprofessional
- Jennifer Jensen Paraprofessional
- Raylee Ann Reeves Paraprofessional
- Joseph Leishman FY24 KMS English Teacher
- Ashley Serrano Paraprofessional
- Neil Shepler Maintenance
- Olivia Sturgill Student Employee
- Neveah Collins Student Employee
- Addison Walker Student Employee

**RESIGNATIONS / RETIREMENTS:**

- Alyce Wasko Nutrition Department
- Natalie Moerer Elementary Teacher
- Annette Casanas Paraprofessional
- Basse Mitchell Facilities Specialist
- Dennis Goodwin Vice-Principal

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mr. Allen moved to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Giles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Myron Nield, Chairman

Cassandra Searby, District Clerk