

Kenwood School District

Minutes

May 2, 2024

Board of Trustees Meeting in the School Library

3:30PM Closed Session

4:00PM Regular Session

- I. Regular Session:** *Board President, Cheryl Ghisla opened the meeting at 4:02 p.m.*
- A. Pledge of Allegiance**
 - B. Roll Call of Board Members**
 - Present:** *Pat Alexander, Cheryl Ghisla, James Larson, Javier Tenorio*
 - Absent :** *Nate Lamar*
 - C. Adjustment of Agenda:** *No adjustments were made.*
 - D. Public Comment:** *No comments were made.*
- II. Closed Session: Adjourn to Closed Session**
- A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation Section 54957**

Agency Designated Representative for the Superintendent’s Evaluation: Cheryl Ghisla, Board President
With respect to every item of business being discussed in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION - Superintendent
- III. Resume Open Session**
- A. Report out of Closed Session:** *No action was taken during closed session.*
 - B. Announcements and Reports**
 - 1. Board Announcements:** *None*
 - 2. District Organizations’ Reports**
 - a. Bond Committee Report: Budget Report from the Construction Manager**

Rich Dunlap provided an update to the Construction Project.
 - b. KSA: The Spring Festival was held on April 26, 2024. The Tri Tip Trolley Food Truck was on site. It was a great event. On May 16th, after Open House there is a Dine and Donate at Palooza.**
 - 3. Superintendent’s Report**
 - a. Site Council – Student Climate Survey:** *Teachers will give this survey to their students over the next few weeks to obtain information about how students view their school experience.*
 - b. Budget Committee:** *This new committee will meet 3 or 4 times per year and will focus on school finance.*
 - c. Schools for Sound Finance:** *Mr. Myers attended the SF² Conference at the end of April. Funding for Transitional Kindergarten is of the upmost importance for Community Funded schools.*
- IV. Public Hearing for the Settlement Agreement with KSTA**

Board President, Cheryl Ghisla opened the Public Hearing at 4:12 p.m. There were no public comments. The hearing was closed at 4:13 p.m. .
- V. Consent Agenda:** *All items on the consent agenda were approved on motion by James Larson, seconded by Pat Alexander.*
- A. Approval of Warrants**
 - B. Approval of Budget Updates**
 - C. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes, April 4, 2024**
 - D. Interdistrict Transfer Request for Grade 6 Student from Sonoma Valley to Kenwood**
 - E. Donation from Kiwanis Club for \$900 for STEAM**

VI. Action Items

- A. Approval of Contract with Ridgeview Builders for Kenwood Modernization Phase 1 Increment 1 Milestone 1, passed on motion by Pat Alexander, seconded by James Larson.**
- B. Approval of CEQA Categorical Exemption Notice, passed on motion by Javier Tenorio, seconded by Pat Alexander.**
- C. Approval of Change Order with Norbay Consulting, passed on motion by Pat Alexander, seconded by James Larson.**
- D. Approval of Contract with Crawford and Associates for Materials Testing and Inspection, passed on motion by Javier Tenorio, seconded by Pat Alexander.**
- E. Approval of Contract with F and G Design and Drafting Services for Inspection Services, passed on motion by Pat Alexander, seconded by James Larson.**
- F. Approve the AMS change Order #1 Builder's Risk, passed on motion by James Larson, seconded by Javier Tenorio.**
- G. Ratify Settlement Agreement with KSTA for 2023-2024 School Year, passed on motion by Pat Alexander, seconded by Javier Tenorio.**
- H. Approval of Salary Schedules for 2023-24 School Year, passed on motion by James Larson, seconded by Pat Alexander.**
- I. Approval Resolution #1001 Specification of the Election Order, passed on motion by Pat Alexander, seconded by James Larson.**

VII. Discussion/Report Items

A. Preliminary Budget for Kenwood School District 2024-2025

Discussion: *Business Manager, Anne Kopache*

- *The Kenwood School District is fiscally sound; all funds have positive balances, and the reserves are higher than required by the state. High reserves are needed by small schools and Community Funded districts due to the volatility of property tax revenue and economic uncertainties.*
- *In the 2024-25 school year, Kenwood School will continue the Extended Learning Opportunity (ELOP) with updates to the Cougar Club afterschool program.*
- *The Preliminary Budget reflects current staffing, as well as the negotiated 5% increase to the 2023-24 Certificated and Classified Salary Schedules. Also included are the estimated increases to employer paid retirement obligations and the anticipated increase to health benefit contributions.*

B. Agenda Items for Public Hearing June 6, 2024 and June 13, 2024 Board Meeting

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VIII. Adjournment: *The meeting was adjourned at 4:52 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

Nathan Myers, Superintendent