

KISD Bulletin

School Board Meeting Notes from December 2015

Superintendent's Office

RECOGNITIONS:

The following groups and/or individuals were recognized:

1. Tivy High School Girls Cross Country Regional and State Qualifiers, Academic All-District and All-District Teams
2. Tivy High School Boys Cross Country Regional Qualifiers, Academic All-District and All-District Teams
3. Tivy High School Varsity Football Bi-District Champions and Area Qualifiers, Academic All-District, District Most Valuable Players and All-District Teams

INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. 2016-2017 School Calendar Report

At the October 19, 2015 Board of Trustees meeting, KISD administration presented legal and local parameters for the 2016-2017 school calendar. After gathering information from the Board of Trustees and reviewing with campuses, the Faculty Community Advisory Committee (FCAC) calendar committee completed its process of developing a recommended calendar for the Board of Trustees. KISD administration will recommend the proposed calendar for 2016-2017 at the January 19, 2015 regularly scheduled Board of Trustees meeting.

2. Upcoming Events Report

This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion. The Board discussed whether to keep the current district goals for another year or revise them. The Board agreed to cancel the March 7, 2016 District Goal Setting Workshop and have the administration add district goals as an information item on the February 22, 2016 board agenda. This will give the Board an opportunity to make revisions, if needed, to the district goals. (see attached proposed calendar)

3. Superintendent Performance Goal 1: Campus Improvement Plan Report

Mrs. Amy Ahrens, Principal at Starkey Elementary School, and Mrs. Holly Jones, Principal at Tally Elementary School, presented a short overview of the Campus Improvement Plan (CIP) for Starkey Elementary School and Tally Elementary School.

4. KISD Board of Trustees Attendance at Future TASB Conventions Report

The Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) offers several opportunities for board members to attend conventions and workshops throughout the year. The information item provided an opportunity for the Board of Trustees to discuss attendance at future conventions.

5. TASB Policy Update 103 Report

The Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) issued

Update 103 of the Localized Policy Manual which includes revisions to Legal and Local policies designed to incorporate recent changes to Administrative and Education Codes.

Legal policies are not adopted by the Board of Trustees. They reflect the ever-changing legal context for governance and management of the district, and should inform local decision making.

Local policies included in Update 103 require board action to adopt, revise, or repeal. Listed below are the affected local policies:

BF(Local)	Board Policies
CAA(Local)	Fiscal Management Goals and Objectives: Financial Ethics
CB(Local)	State And Federal Revenue Sources
CKE(Local)	Safety Program/Risk Management: Security Personnel
CO(Local)	Food Services Management
DBD(Local)	Employment Requirements and Restrictions: Conflict Of Interest
DH(Local)	Employee Standards Of Conduct
DIA(Local)	Employee Welfare: Freedom From Discrimination, Harassment, And Retaliation
FEA(Local)	Attendance: Compulsory Attendance
FEC(Local)	Attendance: Attendance For Credit
GKA(Local)	Community Relations: Conduct On School Premises
GRA(Local)	Relations With Governmental Entities: State And Local Governmental Authorities

Policy Update 103 will be presented as an action item at the regularly scheduled January 25, 2016 Board of Trustees meeting.

6. Financial Reports

The Board reviewed the following monthly financial reports:

- General Operating Expenditure Report
- Property Tax Collection Report
- Investment Report
- Head Start Report
- Food Service
- Purchases over \$10,000

7. Review Personnel, including but not limited to Employee Performance, Resignations, Retirements, Professional Appointments, Requests for Leave of Absence, and Substitute Teacher List [This item may be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 551.074.]

One resignation, one retirement, and the addendum to the KISD Substitute Teacher List were reviewed: Resignation: Jane Harris (4-1-16). Retirement: Sheri Honea (12-18-15).

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board discussed personnel with the Superintendent.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Consider Annual Financial Report for Year Ending August 31, 2015

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT 6:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2016.

The Board approved the Annual Financial Report Year Ending August 31, 2015 as presented by Davis Kinard & Co, PC. The highlights from the report were:

- An unmodified opinion, and
- No significant deficiencies.

2. Consider Instructional Minute Start and End Times

The Board approved the Instructional Minute Start and End Times. House Bill (HB) 2610, passed by the 84th Texas Legislature, strikes language requiring 180 days of instruction and replaces it with language requiring school districts to provide at least 75,600 minutes of instruction, including intermissions and recess. The bill allows school districts to add minutes when necessary to compensate for instruction lost due to school closures caused by disaster, flood, extreme weather conditions, or other calamities.

To comply with the 75,600 minutes requirement for the 2016-2017 school year, the school day start and end times at the four elementary schools will be 7:50 a.m.-3:05 p.m. and B.T. Wilson 6th Grade School will be 7:45 a.m.-3:15 p.m.

The 2016-2017 school start and end times for pre-kindergarten students at the Early Childhood Center will be addressed at a later date following the decision to move to either to a full-time program or stay at half-day program. In order to be compliant with the instructional minutes requirement for a half-day program for the 2015-2016 school year, changes to the school day start and end times for Early Childhood Center will begin on January 4, 2016. The school day will increase by thirty minutes and the proposed school times are 7:50 a.m.-11:20 a.m. and 11:50 a.m.-3:20 p.m..

3. Consider Yearly Report of Board Member Training

The Board approved the board member training information for the past year and caused the minutes to reflect that all board members have met or exceeded the required hours of continuing education.

4. Consider Copy Machine Vendor

The Board approved Xerox Corporation as the copier vendor for the District.

5. Consider Appointment of Senior Director of Curriculum and Instruction for 2015-2016

The Board approved Ms. Sylvia Flannery as the Senior Director of Curriculum and Instruction for the 2015-2016 school year.