

Superintendent Notes for Kilgore ISD Board of Trustees Meeting

January 22, 2018

The official minutes for the board meeting will not be posted until the board approves them at the next regular meeting. I have provided some brief notes in an effort to help keep everyone informed of decisions directly following a board meeting.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Kilgore ISD was held Monday, January 22, 2018 beginning at 6:00 PM in the KISD Administration Building, 301 N. Kilgore St., Kilgore, TX 75662.

AWARDS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Jenny Baggett introduced KHS Students that demonstrated the Motion Capture Suit that was donated to KHS through the Education Foundation.

School Board Recognition Month: "Helping Kids Soar to Success"

- KPS Principal Tamara Dean presented the school board with red notebooks and phone chargers.
- CES Principal Cindy Lindley, along with CES students, presented the school board with goodie baskets and showed a video made by CES students and staff.
- KIS Asst. Principal Jeromy McMurray presented the school board with blue goodie bags.
- KMS Principal April Cox presented the school board with coffee cups.
- KHS Principal Charles Presley presented the school board with a note and gift certificate.
- Cara Cooke presented the school board with appreciation certificates.

Employees and Students of the Month

- KHS Principal, Charles Presley, presented certificates and drink tumblers to Elijah Williams and Addison Phillips.
- Campus Employees of the Month were presented with a certificate and Sonic gift card:
 - KHS – Carey Murphy
 - KMS – Sandra Raby
 - KIS – Tracey Smith
 - CES – Misty Garvin
 - KPS – Katie Presley
- Dan Stanley, ESL & Bilingual Director, presented Heather Applegate and Angelica Torres with certificates for being recognized as exemplary teachers by Gomez & Gomez.

PUBLIC HEARING

- Chief Financial Officer, Revard Pfeffer, gave a presentation on the financial accountability rating and noted a superior rating.
- STEM, Accountability, and Advanced Academic Director, Jennie Good, gave a presentation on the Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) Results for 2016-2017 which included results for STAAR Scores, Participation Rates, Career & Technology Readiness, Graduation Rates, etc.

REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

- A student enrollment report was given as of January 18, 2018. Enrollment was 4,073 down 3 from last month and down 50 from last year at this time. It was noted that there was a spike in numbers from December – January of last year and then it went back down the next month.
- Revard Pfeffer gave a report on Kilgore College Dual Credit Account Activity for 2016-2017 and noted that 233 courses are being taken by 147 students.
- Asst. Superintendent, Richard Nash, introduced Damesia Starling and Danny Mitchell who gave a presentation on the KHS truancy reduction program which included the tardy program and data. The truancy program staff also meets with students once a week and provides mentoring which has drastically reduced the number of trancies at KHS.
- Chief Financial Officer, Revard Pfeffer, and Superintendent, Cara Cooke gave a presentation on the short term capital projects. A timeline for repairing the Spanish Tile roofs for summer 2018 was presented. Mike Brown, Transportation Director, noted they are continuing to work on the Air Conditioning Units maintenance plan. Mark Lane, Exec. Director of Technology, noted a February installation of the security cameras and the district phone system will be installed during Spring Break. Mr. Pfeffer also noted the Document Management and Copier Fleet team met this week expecting awards in April, 2018 adding the copier fleet would possibly be running by August, 2018. Mrs. Cooke met with Coach Wood concerning the girls' soccer locker room options. Mrs. Cooke will meet with Coach Wood and other coaches again soon to discuss further. Mrs. Cooke noted the KMS Woodshop project needs to be investigated further as well due to low enrollment numbers at KMS & KHS.
- The minutes of December 18, 2017 Regular Board Meeting/Public Hearing, the District Financial Operation for the Month of December, and the Exxon Mobil Educational Alliance Program Donation of \$500 for the KHS Math & Science Grant were approved.
- Approval was given to order an Annual Trustee Election for May 5, 2018 to fill positions 3 & 4, currently held by John Slagle and Reggie Henson.
- The recommendation to make-up days missed on January 16 and 17, 2018 by adding one minute to the student days during the last quarter and February 19 and April 2 become teachers workdays was approved.
- A donation from Doyle Thomas and Jack Moore with Kilgore

WHATABURGER for \$32,476.00 covering the cost of a new scoreboard at Driller Park was approved.

- Approval was given for Budget Amendment #2 for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.
- Approval was given for an Early Resignation Incentive.
- There were no personnel items.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- TASA Midwinter Conference: January 28-31, 2018
- Public School Week: February 26-March 2, 2018
- February Board Meeting: February 26, 2018