

KENEDY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 24, 2018 6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order and Establishment of Quorum

The Kenedy ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, September 24, 2018, in the Kenedy Administration Board Room. The following board members were present: Demetrio Garcia, President; RoseMary Vickery, Vice President; Jaime Albiar, Secretary; Enedelia Valerio, and Robert Trevino. With a quorum present, President Demetrio Garcia called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Alma Danmier arrived at 6:01 p.m. and Lin Havron arrived at 6:02 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Demetrio Garcia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Invocation

RoseMary Vickery led the invocation.

4. Public Hearing

- a. Kenedy ISD held a public hearing with a presentation from Dr. Richard Cardin, Middle School Principal, to review the Targeted Improvement Plan for Kenedy Middle School. The middle school will continue to increase student achievement by implementing the Targeted Improvement Plan as required by Texas Education Agency.
- b. There were no public comments regarding the TIP.

5. Public Forum

No public comments.

6. Recognitions

- a. A gift donation was recognized from Mr. and Mrs. Neil Nichols. They were presented with a plaque in appreciation of their generous donation of a Lion head carved from the root of a teak tree. Their donation is in honor of the continued dedicated service of Larry and Mary Kiesling to Kenedy ISD from 1962-2018.
- b. Diana Barrera, Superintendent recognized the instructional paraprofessionals for their dedication and love for all students. Their caring attitude is evident in their daily work and they are an integral part of the success of the students.

7. Tell Me Something Good

Demetrio Garcia – Thanks to the Kieslings and Nichols. They have played a significant role in molding the board. Paras are never thanked enough. He appreciates everything they do. He is enjoying the board recognition of those that are typically overlooked.

RoseMary Vickery – She agrees with Ms. Barrera on the hard work and dedication of the instructional paras. Pleased with the dedication and donation of the Kieslings and Nichols. These types of individuals are what makes our community great. Hats off to social media. This gives her the opportunity to see and experience the things that she misses.

Lin Havron – Recognizes the paras for their dedication. We will never be able to pay them their worth. They continuously go out of their way to help kids. He's pleased that our district offers plenty of opportunities for all kids to participate.

Enedelia Valerio – Recognizes the dedication of the Kieslings. She is pleased with the community response to our students. Win or lose, we are always #1.

Jaime Albiar – Recognizes and appreciates the Kieslings years of service. He is grateful for their hard work and dedication.

Robert Trevino – Offers congratulations to the Kieslings. Thanks to the Kenedy Lions fans and community for sticking through any situation. It is so important to keep supporting the kids. Thanks to parents and employees. Individual victories are what keep the kids going. One day we will have our day of rejoicing. Thanks to Ms. Barrera for recognizing the paras.

Diana Barrera – She wants to echo what others have said in that Kenedy Pride has a life of its own. Students, staff and alumni have so much pride. She is thrilled to be a part of it.

8. Consent Agenda

- a. A motion was made by Lin Havron to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2018 and August 31, 2018 special meetings and August 27, 2018 regular meeting. Robert Trevino seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- b. A motion was made by RoseMary Vickery to approve the monthly district financial reports as presented by Vanessa Pawelek. Alma Danmier seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

9. Superintendent Report

- a. Construction update presented by Diana Barrera. Ms. Barrera presented the board with construction projects and updates on projects that are already in progress.
- b. Vanessa Pawelek presented an update on bond expenditures to date.
- c. Attendance report presented by Diana Barrera. Each month the board will be presented with a monthly comparison report that will compare our current attendance to the previous school year. Each campus has individual incentives or techniques for encouraging and improving attendance.
- d. The Pfluger Architects and AG/CM have set a tentative date for the ground-breaking ceremonies. It is scheduled for November 12, 2018 prior to the board meeting. They intend to add signage to showcase the work to the community.
- e. A district timeline has been established for the distribution of progress reports and report cards. All campuses will distribute on the same day so the parents receive their reports for all children at the same time.
- f. A donation was made by Mr. & Mrs. Neil Nichols to fund the entire film group to travel to New York City to participate in the All American High School Film Festival.

- g. Melanie Witte presented the PBMAS report. This report will be posted online.
- h. The safety plan update was presented by James Douglas-Meyer. The district has developed a drill schedule. Three drills have already been completed. They are using these drills for progress and discovery. The drills enable us to recognize the safety needs of the district. Local and state law enforcement has committed to making a positive campus presence within the district and working with us a team to be better prepared for emergencies. Working together on an evacuation plan to evacuate the premises which includes busing students and staff to multiple areas within the county.

10. Targeted Improvement Plan

A motion was made by Lin Havron to approve the Kenedy Middle School Targeted Improvement Plan as presented by Dr. Richard Cardin. Jaime Albiar seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

11. Disciplinary Alternative Education Program

A motion was made by Alma Danmier and seconded by Robert Trevino to approve the interlocal agreement with Floresville ISD for the DAEP. With all in favor, the motion carried.

12. Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program

A motion was made by RoseMary Vickery and seconded by Alma Danmier to approve the interlocal agreement with Floresville ISD for the JJAEP Program. With all in favor, the motion carried.

13. Campus Attendance Committees

A motion was made by Lin Havron and seconded by Enedelia Valerio to approve the Campus Attendance Committees with a change to the high school committee. Tim Casner will be removed and will be replaced by the new high school principal. The motion carried unanimously.

14. School Health Advisory Council Committee

A motion was made by Alma Danmier and seconded by Jaime Albiar to approve the School Health Advisory Council Committee for the 2018-2019 school year.

15. Building Committee

No action taken.

16. Karnes County 4-H Organization Resolution

Lin Havron made a motion to approve the resolution regarding extracurricular status of Karnes County 4-H Organization. Enedelia Valerio seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

17. Certification Waiver

Alma Danmier made a motion to approve the Teacher Certification Waiver as recommended by Ms. Barrera. RoseMary Vickery seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

18. School Board calendar, board announcements and events

The updated board meeting schedule was reviewed as well as the board training calendar. Team building was scheduled. There is a parent involvement conference November 7, 2018. More details will follow.

19. Closed Meeting pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.001:

The board entered closed session at 7:38 p.m.

- a. Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.074, deliberation regarding employment of employee(s) for the 2018-2019 school year.
- b. Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.074 deliberation regarding the Superintendent's Formative Evaluation.

20. Reconvene from Closed Meeting and Continue with Items for Consideration and Possible Action:

Time out of closed session 8:44 p.m.

- a. A recommendation was made to the board by Superintendent Barrera to hire Deborah Del Bosque for the position of high school principal. Robert Trevino made the motion to accept the recommendation. Enedelia Valerio seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.
- b. No action taken

21. Adjournment

With no further business, Alma Danmier made a motion to adjourn. Enedelia Valerio seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Adjournment time: 8:48 p.m.



Demetrio Garcia, Board President



Jaime Albar, Board Secretary