

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – JULY 8, 2024  
(AGENDA POSTED: July 5, 2024, 4:00 P.M.)

Call to Order and Roll Call:

The Karnes City ISD Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, July 8, 2024, in the Karnes City ISD Board Room. Debbie Witte called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The following members were present: Alex Kotara, Melanie Johnson, Debbie Witte, Cason Newberry, Mike Rosales, Sherry Sommer. Melissa Padron-Valdez was absent.

Public Comments:

None

Information Reports:

Student, Employee, and Athletic Handbooks were reviewed. The board has given the discretion to the Superintendent to determine the change of the piercing and tattoo policy in the student handbook. Facial hair policy will remain the same. An Appendix for campus policies for tardies needs to be added to the handbook and website.

Brian Revell discussed the completion of the Elementary, Softball Field, JH and HS projects. The JH/HS project is on hold until the end of school year 2025 due to material not being available on time before students resume school. Jim Wood updated the board on the completion of the football field turf. Tennis/Football lights and water fountain project is projected to start July 15th-August 5th. Track replacement is projected to start after Football season.

Alicia Wieding discussed how the FSCS Grant works and the different programs they provide.

Dr. Buehring discussed the positions for Save the Children grant positions they are wanting to add.

Katherine Kuenstler discussed information regarding the Drug Testing Plan and Consent forms for the UIL athletes, 7th thru 12th grade. The board agreed to add counseling to all 3 offenses and replace "suspension for the remainder of the student's enrollment in KCISD" to 180 days.

Jim Wood discussed the safety of our athletic facilities and how we should close them to the public. The board agrees due to the public not respecting the facilities.

Katherine discussed the policy regarding the usage of electronic devices on campus for students and staff. Mr. Hudgins explained at HS level that it is at the teachers discretion. Board just wants to ensure that it is stated in all policies.

President Debbie Witte calls for a break at 8:31 pm.

President Debbie Witte called the meeting to order at 8:40 pm.

Consent Agenda:

Board meeting minutes – June 10, 2024 (Regular) & June 24, 2024 (Special)

General Operating Bills: \$ 1,567,814.61

Tax Collection Report: 98.69%

Motion was made by Sherry Sommer and seconded by Melanie Johnson to approve the board meeting minutes and payment of the monthly bills, budget summary, investment report, and tax collection report. Motion carried unanimously. One abstained.

Items for Consideration and Possible Action:

Motion was made by Melanie Johnson and seconded by Alex Kotara to approve 2024-2025 Stipend List. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Sherry Sommer and seconded by Alex Kotara to approve 2024-2025 Regular School Board Meeting dates for August 2024 thru June 2025, with the change to the April date from the 14th to the 7th. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Sherry Sommer and seconded by Melanie Johnson to approve the 2024-2025 Student Code of Conduct. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Alex Kotara and seconded by Melanie Johnson to approve the 2024-2025 Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for the Disciplinary Alternative Education Program (DAEP). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Melanie Johnson and seconded by Mike Rosales Jr. to approve the HVAC Prevention Maintenance Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Meeting pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.101:

Debbie Witte, Mike Rosales Jr., Cason Newberry, Sherry Sommer, Melanie Johnson and Alex Kotara went into Closed Session at 9:38 p.m. discussion of employment as presented. Closed session ended at 10:38 p.m.

No action was taken.

Adjournment:

President Debbie Witte adjourned the meeting at 10:38 p.m.



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