

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – AUGUST 12, 2024
(AGENDA POSTED: August 9, 2024, 4:00 P.M.)

Call to Order and Roll Call:

The Karnes City ISD Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, August 12, 2024, in the Karnes City ISD Board Room. Debbie Witte called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:01 pm. The following members were present: Alex Kotara, Melanie Johnson, Debbie Witte, Cason Newberry, Mike Rosales, Sherry Sommer, and Melissa Padron-Valdez.

Pledge and Moment of Silence:

Debbie Witte led the pledge to the United States and Texas flags and called for a moment of silence.

Public Comments:

None

Information Reports:

Mrs. Kuenster updated the board on the passing of our Special Education Cyclical Monitoring with a 100%.

Jim Wood updated the board on the status of the upcoming/current projects. Tennis court's water fountains and lights are almost complete. Press box and track will start after the football season. Line striping, filled in potholes, and expanded speed bumps on the football parking lot was complete this past week. Mr. Wood is currently waiting on estimates for the grant building demo. Mr. Wood is working on the "branding" of KCISD. Board members would like to be involved in the decision making process for this. Mr. Wood is wanting to make sure our "brand" is located on all the campuses.

Molly Kollodziej updated the board on the numbers and percentages of the 23-24 school year ACE Program and the plans to improve this upcoming year's numbers.

Brian Revell updated the board on all of the current and future plans for KCISD. Phase 2 of the demo for Roger E Sides is almost complete. Walkway from KCE to the playground should be complete by October.

Consent Agenda:

Board meeting minutes – July 8, 2024 (Regular Meeting)

General Operating Bills: \$ 8,952,129.19

Tax Collection Report: 98.83%

Motion was made by Alex Kotara 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.

Items for Consideration and Possible Action:

Motion was made by Alex Kotara and seconded by Mike Rosales to approve the Fiscal Year 2024-4th quarter Investment Report. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Melanie Johnson and seconded by Alex Kotara to approve and adopt the Resolution providing for the defeasance and calling for redemption certain currently outstanding obligations; directing the board secretary, or a designee thereof, to effectuate the redemption of the obligations;

authorizing the execution of an escrow agreement; delegating to certain district officials and staff the authority to effectuate matters herein resolved; and other matters in connection therewith as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Sherry Sommer and seconded by Alex Kotara to approve the M&O tax rate and debt service tax rate and Resolution for the Board to levy or set the tax rate on \$100 valuation for the District for the tax year 2024 at a total rate of \$.7960 to be assessed and collected by the duly specified assessor and collector designated by the District and to appoint the District Tax Collector as the designated officer responsible to calculating and reporting the no-new-revenue and the voter-approval tax rate as determined by state law as presented.

Motion was made by Melanie Johnson and seconded by Sherry Sommer of naming Alex Kotara as the delegate for TASB Delegate Assembly with Debbie Witte as alternate. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mike Rosales and seconded by Alex Kotara to approve updated TTESS Staff Appraisal Appraisers as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Alex Kotara and seconded by Sherry Sommer to approve the Hazardous Traffic Conditions Resolution as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Alex Kotara and seconded by Mike Rosales to continue relationships with Walsh Gallegos Trevino Kyle and Robinson PC as general counsel and approve the presented retainer. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Sherry Sommer and seconded by Alex Kotara to approve the final settlement payment to Stellar Virtual. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Meeting pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.101:

Board members did not need to go into close.

Adjournment:

President Debbie Witte adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.



PRESIDENT, BOARD OF TRUSTEES



SECRETARY, BOARD OF TRUSTEES