

Knappa School District No. 4 Astoria, Oregon 97103

*The Knappa School District will Inspire all learners to Achieve
academically and Thrive as independent and Productive citizens.*

Board of Directors' Regular Meeting

April 23, 2025

6:30pm

6:15pm

***Musical Performance by:
Knappa High School Choir***

Call to Order – Chair Cullen Bangs

1. Consent Agenda - (Motion for approval needed)

1.1 Minutes from the March 19, 2025 Board Meeting

1.2 25-28 Superintendent Contract

1.3 MOU Retirement Incentive

1.4 Amend 2024-5 School Board Meeting Calendar to change May 21, 2025 meeting to May 20, 2025

2. Information – Dr. Fritz

2.1 Personnel Update

3. Communications and Hearing of Interested Parties

The Board welcomes visitors to our meetings, and values comments from district patrons that improve the quality of education for students. The Board, at their discretion, will recognize comments from the audience. We must require, however, that complaints be directed through the administration for resolution. Comments made during this session must be free of abusive language, personal attacks on district personnel, and not directed towards any department which, due to its low staffing, would amount to an attack by in affect naming district personnel. We also ask that presentations be limited to (3) minutes.

4. Superintendent Report - (Dr. Fritz)

5. New Business

5.1 Teacher Appreciation Resolution - (motion needed)

5.2 Soccer Agreement between Local Schools – Paul Isom

5.3 Alt Ed Seattle Trip – Jackie Whitten

5.4 Pre-K Presentation – Tammy McMullen

5.5 24-25 Consortium Agreement – Brittany Norton

6. Student Rep Reports

KMS/HLE – Kirk Rohne (8th Grade)

KHS Chicago Trip Presentation – Mylie Lempea (11th Grade)

7. District Reports

7.1 Financial Report – Jennifer Morgan

7.2 Hilda Lahti Elementary/Middle School – Tammy McMullen

7.3 Knappa High School – Paul Isom

7.4 Student Services Update – Brittany Norton

8. Board Member Reports and Future Agenda Items

Next Meetings:

Wednesday, May 14, 2025 Budget Committee Meeting 6:30pm, Knappa High School Library.

Wednesday, May 21, 2025 Regular School Board Meeting 6:30pm. Knappa High School Library.

**Knappa School District #4
Board Meeting Background Information**

Policy
 Financial
 Discussion

Vision & Goals
 Information
 Resolution

Capital Projects
 Employee Contracts
 Other: CO-OP Agreement

Item Title: Soccer Co-op w/ Clatskanie and Rainier

Presenter: Principal Isom

Background Information Related to this Issue:

We would like to enter into a co-op for girls soccer with Clatskanie and Rainier. We surveyed students and 4 girls have expressed interest in this. The survey was available to everyone, however no boys expressed interested. Of the four girls who expressed interest, only one currently plays a fall sport.

Last year we had a co-op for girls soccer with Warrenton, however they will once again be playing a JV schedule which was of less interest to our girls. If approved, this co-op would play a varsity schedule.

Clatskanie/Knappa/Rainier girls Co-op would practice at the Clatskanie City Park and play games at Clatskanie and Rainier. Rainier will cover the Coaching Salary, Supplies, Uniforms, Officials and Transportation for Girls soccer. The bus will leave from the "Airlock?" at Rainier HS and Clatskanie/Knappa students will be transported by Clatskanie from the back of the CMHS parking lot to meet the Rainier Bus . If the location of the game allows it, the bus will pick up the Clatskanie/Knappa students at the front of CMHS and/or KHS. Rainier and Knappa will each need to make arrangements to transport their students to the Clatskanie City Park for practices. Clatskanie will be responsible for athletic supervision and event management for all home contests at their facility, and the same for Rainier. Rainier will be the school of record and will be responsible for score reporting, roster and schedule updating on the OSAA website. All registrations, user fees, academic progress and attendance monitoring shall be kept by schools for their respective students. These schools shall report any potential ineligibilities to the school of record. Knappa will collect user fees for their students and send them to Rainier to help offset costs associated with their programs. Any ASB funds raised or spent, should be done per ASB laws and may require support from each school to ensure all students receive the same opportunities, regardless of school.

Financial Impact: Rainier will cover the Coaching Salary, Supplies, Uniforms, Officials and Transportation for Girls soccer. Knappa will collect user fees for their students and send them to Rainier to help offset costs associated with their programs. I foresee no additional costs for our school district with this arrangement.

Recommended Action:

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the school board approve this co-op agreement with Rainier and Clatskanie.



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April 2025 KSD Board Report

Enrollment 2024-25

Grade	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.
9		34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34		
10		30	30	29	30	29	29	29	28		
11		37	37	37	36	35	34	34	33		
12		30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30		
Total		131	131	130	130	128	127	127	125		

2023-24

Grade	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.
9	34	35	35	33	33	34	32	32	32	32	31
10	36	34	33	33	33	31	31	31	31	30	30
11	34	34	34	33	33	32	32	31	31	31	30
12	35	36	36	35	35	36	36	36	36	36	35
Total	139	139	138	134	134	133	131	130	130	129	126

2022-23

Grade	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.
9	36	37	37	36	34	34	35	34	35	35	35
10	39	35	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33
11	39	35	35	36	34	34	35	35	34	34	34
12	34	36	37	37	36	36	35	35	35	35	35
Total	148	143	142	142	137	137	138	137	137	137	137



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I want to start by saying a huge thank you to Hampton Lumber and everyone who donated to the natural resources dinner earlier this year. Lindsay Davis came to an assembly earlier this month and presented our forestry students with a check for \$25,000. Over 3 years, they have now donated \$65,000 to our natural resources program!

Our seniors have been busy finishing up senior projects! Reminder, our senior project presentation night will be May 7th in the gym. Doors will open at 5:00 pm and the event will run until 6:30.

Students have had many opportunities this month to visit colleges. We have had students visit Portland State, Mt Hood CC, and Southwestern Oregon CC. We also have a student, Parker Stevens, signing a letter of intent to do Track and Field at Linfield University on May 1st. Congratulations to him on that great accomplishment.

May will be a busy month for testing for our upperclassmen. State testing will happen for our juniors the week of May 12th. We changed our process for state testing to hopefully allow students to better focus on the tests. Students will have 3 testing sessions each day with breaks in between. In the past students just tested during their normal class period. AP testing will also occur May 8th, 9th and 13th.

Respectfully,

Paul Isom

Principal, KHS

**Knappa School District
Superintendent Update
April 23, 2025**

We are in the “home stretch” for the school year!

Spring sports are in full swing, with our baseball and softball teams maintaining solid rankings as they begin league play. Many of our track athletes are running, jumping, and throwing successfully.

The KSF Foundation Dinner was last weekend, and it was good to see so much community support for our students.

We needed to make some adjustments in our security fencing design for fire access purposes, and this work should be finished this week.

The SMILE Club took a trip to Oregon State University a few weeks ago and they had a great time learning about science, technology, engineering, and math through real-life learning. Thanks to Ms. Starr, Ms. Felman, and Ms. Erhardt for their commitment to this program.

Several High School students had the opportunity to attend Fire Camp. These students learned about fire science in an applied setting along with Mr. Rathfon.

Two weeks ago, Hampton Lumber provided Knappa School District with a \$25,000 donation for Career and Technical Education. This donation was the result of the Natural Resources Dinner and Auction where many Clatsop County community members in agriculture, timber, and fishing came together in support of our county’s young people. This group wants to “pay it forward” by investing in young people who also have interest in these careers.

As we plan for budget season, we know that the currently proposed State School Fund will not be sufficient to sustain our existing program levels in their entirety. We are looking at efficiencies in the areas of administrative costs, staffing costs, and non-employee costs. We also may need to find ways to enhance revenue where we can. The clearest way revenue increases is with enrollment. If anybody who lives in Knappa and is not enrolled in our school (i.e. home schoolers or online charter families) wants to meet with us to discuss partial schedules or classes we can help with (i.e. science, music, art, math, etc.) we would love to chat. Our instruction in these areas is stellar and we would welcome these students.

The state continues to hold Ways and Means Committee hearings. The next one is April 25th. We encourage people to consider weighing in on this by advocating for 1) a State School Fund allocation in excess of the currently proposed \$11.4 billion, 2) elimination of the 11% Special

Education cap, 3) full funding of the high cost disability fund, 4) elimination of unfunded mandates, 5) increased local control and ESD efficiencies, and 6) enhanced funding for preschool programs.

State testing occurs this month.

Please join me in celebrating Teacher Appreciation. Our teachers are the core of what we do, and they go the extra mile to meet the needs of our students. When you see them, please thank them for their dedication to the future of our community.

Last week, our math teachers worked with a mathematics coach from the Developing Mathematical Thinking Institute (DMTI) to get job-embedded support with their practice. We will do this again in May. We are seeing solid growth in mathematics performance for our students and this ongoing training is part of this success.

Donkey Basketball will be at KHS on May 21 to help support Knappa athletics. Graduation will be upon us soon on June 7.