The Kennewick Public Facilities District
Regular Meeting
Toyota Center
Hapo Hangout

May 28, 2026 Minutes 5:00 p.m.

Call to Order

President Calvin Dudney called the Regular meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

Roll Call

Megan Caldwell called the roll.

Present: Calvin Dudney, President; Ron Hue, Secretary; Kim Shugart, Treasurer; Renee Brooks, Board Member
Absent: Austin Crawford, Board Member

A quorum was established.

Also, present: Corey Pearson, Executive Director; Rob Gierke, General Manager; Michelle Gustafson, Director of Food & Beverage; Joe Potts, Director of Finance.

Renee Brooks led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Renee Brooks moved to approve the agenda. Ron Hue seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

a) Minutes of May 28, 2026, Regular Board Meeting
b) Claims roster dated May 2026 for $244,665.84 (TC)
   Warrants:29201-29260 Voids: None
   Claims roster dated May 2026 for $17.26 (Box Office)
   Warrants: None Voids: None
c) Claims roster dated May 2026 for $193,306.26 (TRCC)
   Warrants:27634-27675 Voids:27655, 27656,
d) Claims roster dated May 2026 for $3,085,742.12 (TRCCX)
   Warrants:5067-5069 Voids: None
e) Total May payroll paid out: $510,748.69

Kim Shugart moved to approve the consent agenda. Renee Brooks seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Visitors

Kirsten Finn, Visit Tri-Cities
Lawrence Barney, Turner & Townsend Heery

New Business

a) May 2026 Financial Reports

Kim Shugart reviewed the financial reports for May 2026 for the Three Rivers Convention Center, Toyota Center, and Toyota Arena, noting that we lost 4 showings in May at the Toyota Center due to Visa issues, as well as a larger convention that normally historically takes placec in May was moved to June.

Ron Hue moved to approve the May 2026 Financial Reports. Renee Brooks seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously

b) Expansion Update

Lawerence Barney reviewed the Observation Report for the expansion project.

c) Visit Tri-Cities Report

Kirsten Finn reviewed the RFP tracking report and noted that their focus right now is on the expansion and reaching out to clients who were previously too large for the existing convention center to gain additional bookings for the expansion.

d) SpringHill Suites Report

No Report.

e) Executive Director Report

Corey Pearson reported events happening on campus right now and shares that the convention center will be shut down after the 4th for renovations. Corey shared that we are working on naming rights renewal now for Toyota, and then he passed around the some marketing campaigns happening now for the expansion.
Rob Gierke shared that the ice at the arena has been out for maintenance and is going back in this week. Rob also shared that the cooling tower exploded at the Toyota Center right before graduation ceremonies.

Board Comments/Discussion

The board commented on how fun it is to see such big changes happening so quickly on the expansion.

Adjournment/Recess

Meeting adjourned at 5:58 pm

The KPFD Board's minutes are intended to be a reasonable summary of the Board's deliberations and actions. The minutes are not a verbatim record of everything said at the meeting. The minutes include all actions taken by the Board.

Megan Caldwell Approved by the Board of Directors