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Approved Minutes-November 3, 2021

The Kent Center School Board of Education held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 5:00 pm in the KCS Library

In attendance were KCS BOE members, Marty Lindenmayer, Scott Trabucco, Jenn Duncan, Dana Slaughter, and Bethany Keck, KCS Principal Michelle Mott, Reg. One Superintendent Lisa Carter, Reg. One Asst. Superintendents Jill Pace and Scott Fellows. Also in attendance were KCS Staff members Ane Starr, Kathleen Robey, Linda Miller, Lee Sohl, Bill Hurley, Mary Cox, Deb Morin, Laurabeth Davidson and Josh Szwed. Members of the public were also present.

Pledge of Allegiance

- 1. Call to Order- Marty Lindenmayer called the meeting to order at 5:02pm.
- 2. Approval of Agenda- Jenn Duncan made a motion to accept the agenda of November 3, 2021 as written. Dana Slaughter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Approval of Minutes of October, 6, 2021 Dana Slaughter made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2021 KCS BOE meeting. Scott Trabucco seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Public Comment- none
- 5. Recognition of Those Who Contribute to KCS- Michelle Mott recognized Marty and Dana for always having the best interest of the KCS staff, students and families in mind. She specifically thanked Marty for his consistent leadership and Dana for her attention to detail.
- 6. Written Communication- Marty read a letter from Cabe and presented a letter from EdAdvance.. Copies of both letters are on file.
- 7. Region One Report- 6:41 Jenn Duncan read highlights from her report which included an approved MOU for temporary scheduling for 2 teachers, discussion on Region Wide Policy review, approval of Mary O'Reilly as Spanish teacher, new sound system and a new KCS Pre-K teacher who is contracted through June of 2025. Jenn also reported on a presentation from Andrea Downs and an AFS student, approval of a new course, African American/Black, Puerto Rican/Latino studies and public comment concerns about lockers, weight of backpacks, and the number of Covid notices.
- 8. Business
 - a. Policy 3260 Chromebooks -Michelle reported on what might be done with the old Chrome books. Policy 3260 states it is up to the principal discretion on how to dispose of old Chromebooks. Proceeds from any sale of old Chromebooks will go to the Town of Kent General fund.
 - b. Policy Review
 - i. <u>3520.13</u>, Student Data Protection/Privacy
 - ii. 3542.41, Professional Standards for Food Service Personnel
 - iii. <u>3543.31</u>, Office Services/Records and Reports
 - iv. 3432, Budget & Expense Report
 - v. 5141.8, Face Masks

Scott Trabucco made a motion to accept Polices 3520.13, 3542.41,3543.31, 3432 and 5141.8, as written. Jenn Duncan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- c. <u>Region One Superintendent Goals</u> Dana made a motion to accept the Superintendent goals for 2021-2022. Bethany seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- d. <u>Region-Wide Policy Review Committee</u> Jenn Duncan made a motion to approve the Region One Policy Review process. Scott Trabucco seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Committee Report

- a. Facilities and Safety- Bethany Keck made a motion that KCS will not be submitting anything to the Capital plan for the 2022 Budget year. Scott Trabucco seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- b. Budget- Dana Slaughter reported that there is no update on the budget at this time. Dana also reported that we are moving forward on the Solar project. Documents are under review, and a contractor is being sought. Dana Slaughter made a motion that Michelle Mott will represent the KCS BOE in signing the Power Purchase Agreement. Scott Trabucco seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- c. Wellness- none
- d. ABC meeting- none
- e. IT- none
- f. Community Relations Committee- Marty Lindenmayer stated he submitted the KCS October 1 enrollment to the BOF enrollment. Marty recommends that the KCS BOE not feel that they have to attend every BOF meeting.
- g. Policy Committee-none
- h. Middle School Sports- Scott Trabucco reported there was discussion on transportation for Middle School Sports. The Art Garage will be starting this winter on Wednesdays, Anne MacNiel will be doing KCS scheduling, the approval of fall coaches. Scott reminded the BOE that the deadline is 1/15/22 for KCS to sign up for the 2022-2023 school year.

10. Administrative Reports:

- a. Principal's Report- Michelle Mott read highlights from her report which included the successful Grade 8 Auction, Betsy Morrow's author visit with Laura Brown, the Boys' and Girls' soccer season with Coach Lindy, Coach Gonzo and Coach Love. She also reported that KCS is still in search of a boys' BB coach, KCS Parent/Teacher conferences, PTO bookfair, and Principal goals,
- b. <u>Superintendent of Schools' Report</u>- Lisa Carter began by thanking Marty and Dana for all their support for KCS. Lisa read highlights from her report which included, the covid report, PCR testing, and travel requirement updates. Lisa also wished Toni Ramcharran well on her departure from Reg. 1 and welcomed her replacement Gail Carruso.
- c. <u>Assistant Superintendent of Schools' Report</u>- Scott Fellows and Jill Pace read highlights from their report, which included welcoming new central office secretary Gail Caruso, curriculum updates, hiring a new KCS Pre-K teacher and professional learning.
- 11. Public Comment-Lee Sohl thanked Marty and Dana stating it "has been a pleasure watching you do your thing".
- 12. Adjourn- Dana Slaughter made a motion to adjourn at 6:10pm. Jenn Duncan seconded the motion.

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