

Greater Kansas City School Counselor Association Governing Board

Meeting Minutes

August 8, 2024

Opening

The regular meeting of the Greater Kansas City School Counselor Association Governing Board was called to order at 6:00pm. on August 8, 2024 by Rachel Hagelin.

Present

President - Rachel Hagelin

President-Elect - Carey Hughes

Past President - Ashley Paul

Secretary - Cassie Good

Treasurer - Jill Krickbaum

Professional Recognition - Cara Long

Absent

Government Relations - Robert Fisher

Membership - Janelle Koerner

Public Relations/Communications - Marissa Jarnajin. Emileigh Suydam

Bylaws/Operations - Lindsay Kobolt

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

Summary of Business

Election.

Board welcomed new members, Rob Fisher as Government Relations and Marissa Jarnajin. Emileigh Suydam as Public Relations/ Communications for the 2024-2025 governing year.

Mission Statement

The mission of GKCSCA is to empower and inspire school counselors through professional learning, advocacy and networking.

Committees

The Diversity Equity and Inclusion Committee (DEI) is led by Ashley Paul. Communication about future meetings will be introduced during Fall professional development and meeting.

Budget.

Goals.

(1) increase member recruitment

Board reviewed how to increase full district membership. Rachel Hagelin will be reaching out to districts to confirm district representatives to ensure information about future professional development and communication reaches all school counselors. It is also a priority to ensure the organization is connected to universities / counselor educators.

(2) improve membership engagement and connection

Smore newsletter successful in quarterly communication. DEI representative created to enhance engagement and connection. Board explored how to improve delivery of needs assessment.

(3) optimize member experience

Rachel will be reviewing if CEUs can be an option for professional development. General meeting and professional development scheduled for Tuesday, September 24, 2024.

Purpose / Bylaws.

Bylaws have been reviewed and approved Spring 2024. Board will continue with said bylaws.

MSCA Conference. 2024 hospitality room is planned for the region with possible prizes. Theme: *Level Up*

Scholarships. Professional Development Scholarship application for one GKCSCA member to attend 2024 Fall MSCA Conference to be sent out.

Professional recognition. Cara Long will be presenting information about professional recognition at the Fall Meeting.

Promotional Items. Future promotional items were discussed such as a banner and other items for MSCA Fall Conference.

Future meeting / further discussion planned for after Fall professional development.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by: Rachel Hagelin

Minutes submitted by: Cassie Good