

Approved Minutes- January 4, 2023

The Kent Center School Board of Education held a Regular Meeting on
Wednesday, January 4, 2023 at **5:30** in the KCS Library.

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In attendance were KCS BOE Members Scott Trabucco, Gonzo Garcia-Pedroso, John Grant, Jenn Duncan, Bethany Keck and Naomi Joseph. Also in attendance were KCS Principal Michelle Mott, Superintendent Lisa Carter and Asst. Superintendent Jeanine Rose. The Kent Curiosity Lab board members Deb Moerschell and Joanne Wasti were also present.

1. Call to Order- Scott Trabucco called the meeting to order at 5:30
2. Approval of Agenda- Jenn Duncan made a motion to approve the agenda, with the removal of item 6b. Bethany Keck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Consent Agenda- Naomi Joseph made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Bethany Keck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
 - a. Approval of [Minutes of December 7, 2022](#)
 - b. Facilities and Safety-None
 - c. Budget-None
 - d. Wellness-None
 - e. ABC meeting- None
 - f. Community Relations Committee- None
 - g. [Middle School Sports](#)
4. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only-None
5. Recognition of Those Who Contribute to KCS - Scott Trabucco recognized the Enrichment Program board, Debbie Moerschell, Joanne Wasti, Buffy Bonis and Melissa Braislin. Debbie Moerschelle and Joanne Wasti reported that they have completed all the paperwork, met with a lawyer, SOAR, and EdAdvance, The group is moving forward with setting up a bank account, fundraising and creating a capital campaign. They are focused on starting small and building a high quality group. The name of the enrichment program is "The Kent Curiosity Lab"
6. Written Communication
 - a. [Ed Advance](#)
 - b. Kovacs- Removed
7. Region One Report- Jenn Duncan gave highlights from her report which included a positive view on the board retreat, election of officers and appointment of committee members. Jenn also reported on the second phase of the solar project and policy approvals. Jenn concluded with an update on hybrid meetings (OWL), approval of student trips to Spain, Portugal and Iceland.
8. Business
 - a. [Tuition Cost vs Expenditure](#) - Scott Trabucco shared the attached info with the Kent BOF. Scott would like to hold a meeting between the KCS BOE and the Kent BOF to discuss tuition, staffing and any other budget questions or concerns, before we are in budget season.
 - b. School Security - Scott Trabucco asked the board to discuss any questions or comments regarding the outcome of the vote, and what next steps might be.
 - c. KCS Policy Committee -
 - i. [Policy 5141.21 - Administering Medication](#)

Naomi Joseph made a motion to accept Policy 5141.21. Jenn Duncan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ii. [Policy 5141.3 - Health Assessments and Immunization](#)

John Grant made a motion to accept Policy 5141.3. Bethany Keck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

iii. [Policy 5141.5 - Suicide Intervention and Prevention](#)

Naomi Joseph made a motion to accept Policy 5141.5. Bethany Keck seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- d. Middle School Sports - Gonzo Garcia-Pedroso made a motion to continue with our current option in the Regional One Middle Sports program. Jenn Duncan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Administrative Reports:

- a. [Principal's Report](#)- Michelle Mott
b. [Superintendent of Schools' Report](#)- Lisa Carter
c. [Assistant Superintendent of Schools' Report](#)- Jeanine Rose

1. Public Comment- None

10. Adjourn- Bethany Keck made a motion to adjourn at 6:50 PM. Jenn Duncan seconded the motion.

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