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Approved Minutes - April 10, 2024

The Kent Center School Board of Education held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at <u>5:30</u> in the KCS Library.

Present were KCS BOE Members Jenn Duncan, Heather Brand, John Grant, and Kate Symonds. Several parents, members of the public and the Kent First Selectman were also present.

- 1. Call to Order- Jenn Duncan called the meeting to order at 5:30.
- 2. Approval of Agenda- Kate Symonds made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Heather Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Consent Agenda- Kate Symonds made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda as written. Heather Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
  - a. Approval of Minutes of March 6, 2024 Special Meeting
  - b. Facilities and Safety- Jenn Duncan
  - c. Budget- Kate Symonds, Jenn Duncan
  - d. Wellness- Heather Brand
  - e. ABC meeting- Jenn Duncan
  - f. Community Relations Committee- Heather Brand, Naomi Joseph
  - g. Middle School Sports- Naomi Joseph, Jenn Duncan
- 4. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only- None
- 5. Written Communication-None
- 6. Region One Report- Jenn Duncan read highlights of her report which included Capital Maintenance Reserve Budget, Regional Budget, job descriptions, Admin/Teacher Evaluation, and new hires for Math and Spanish.
- 7. Business
  - a. "Healthy Relationships" Curriculum- Michelle Mott spoke about the items below and answered questions from the KCS BOE.
  - b. Healthy and Balanced Living Standards
    - i. <u>Guidance on Civil Rights Protections and Supports for Transgender or Gender-Diverse Students</u>
    - ii. 6th 8th grade Healthy Relationships Curriculum
    - iii. Healthy Relationships Curriculum Timeline & Planning
  - c. <u>CT Educator Evaluation Plan</u> Lisa Carter discussed the plan, answered questions from the KCS BOE and stated that the CT Educator Plan will be moved to the next meeting of the KCS BOE for a vote.
  - d. Policies
    - i. Second Read: <u>9323</u>, <u>5141.221</u>, <u>5131.911</u>, <u>4115</u>, <u>6141.321</u> Moved to a third read
    - ii. First Read: <u>5143</u>, <u>5131.2</u>, <u>512</u>5- Policies <u>5143</u>, <u>5131.2</u>, <u>512</u>5- Moved to a second read
  - e. Ski program- Moved to the next meeting of the KCS BOE.

- 8. Administrative Reports:
  - a. Principal's Report
  - b. Superintendent of Schools' Report
  - c. Assistant Superintendent of Schools' Report
- 9. Public Comment Public Comment- Parents Bonnie Banffy, Crystal Green and Sarah Adams spoke out about the Healthy Relationship Curriculum. Members of the public also spoke about the curriculum.
  - First Selectman Marty Lindenmeyer spoke about strengthening the relationship between KCS and the Town of Kent.
- 10 Adjourn- Kate Symonds made a motion to adjourn at 6:37. Heather Brand Seconded the motion.

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