

Approved -Minutes November 6, 2019

The Kent Board of Education held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, November 6, 2019 at 5:00 pm in the Library at Kent Center School. In attendance were BOE members Marty Lindenmayer, Melissa Roth-Cherniske, Jenn Duncan and Scott Trabucco. Also in attendance were Principal Michelle Mott, Superintendent Pam Vogel, KCS Staff members Lee Sohl, Josh Szwed, Debbie Morin, Kathleen Robey, Ane Starr, and Linda Miller, as well as members of the public and press.

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Call to Order- Marty Lindenmayer called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.
2. Approval of Agenda- Melissa Roth Cherniske asked that the BOE amend the agenda to table item 11b. Melissa Roth-Cherniske made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Jenn Duncan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Approval Minutes of October 2, 2019, Regular meeting- Melissa Roth-Cherniske made a motion to approve items 3, 4, and 5 on the agenda. Jenn Duncan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Approval Minutes of October 21, 2019, Special Meeting-See above motion
5. Approval Minutes of October 28, 2019, Special Meeting-See above motion
6. Public Comment- none
7. Recognition of Those Who Contribute to KCS- Marty Lindenmayer recognized Kevin Capobianco for his undefeated 2019 boys soccer season. Marty thanked Kevin for his 4 years of coaching boys soccer, his great influence on the students and for being a contributing member of the KCS family.
8. Student Spotlight- Ane Starr presented on the "Number Corner" in her Grade 2 Classroom. Highlights included the Calendar Grid, Calendar Collector and Daily Rectangle. These activities encompass patterning, charting and addition. BOE members were invited to participate in the activities. Mrs. Starr commented on how much the K-4 teachers and students were enjoying this program.
9. Written Communication- Marty Lindenmayer read correspondence from Lesly Ferris thanking the BOE for their recognition of her at the last BOE Meeting. Mr. Lindenmayer also read several emails and letters from the public regarding the Region One Middle School Sports. Copies of these emails, letters, and a student created petition against the proposal are on file.
10. Region One Report – Jenn Duncan gave her report. Highlights include regionalization of IT services, and discussion regarding 1st reading of policies and approval of policies. A copy of her report is on file.

11. Business

- a. Transfer of funds from “Student Activity Fund”-
Melissa Roth Cherniske made a motion to transfer funds from the “Student Activity Fund”, that was deposited after the closing of the “Technology Fund”, to the non-lapsing “KCS Laptops/End-User Computing Capital Fund” in the amount of \$5871.94. Jenn Duncan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- b. Suicide Prevention Policy/Protocol- Tabled
- c. Dr. Vogel’s report on recent Professional Learning- Dr. Vogel gave a presentation on her visit to China. Highlights included videos of Chinese students during their school day and an interest in the possibility of working with Chinese schools in an exchange of information and visiting each others schools.
- d. Regional Middle School Sports Proposal - Melissa Roth-Cherniske made a motion that Kent not go forward with the Regional Middle School Sports for this coming school year. Jenn Duncan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
Jenn Duncan made a motion that the Kent ABC Representative make a recommendation to the ABC Committee on creating a new vehicle for an “opt-in” program at the Regional level outside the RSSC budget. Melissa Roth-Cherniske seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Committee Reports:

- a. Facilities and Safety - Marty Lindenmayer reported that they are in talks with window companies about the window project. Marty spoke with Region One business manager Sam Herrick regarding the Entryway project. They will look at the budget to see if we have money available in this year’s budget to put aside into our non-expiring account for this project.
- b. Budget -none
- c. Wellness - none
- d. ABC meeting - none
- e. IT - none
- f. Community Relations Committee - Marty Lindenmayer congratulated the incoming Selectwoman and he looks forward to working with her.
- g. Policy Committee- none

13. Administrative Reports:

- a. Principal’s Report- Michelle Mott read highlights from her report which included October Field trips, Data Team meetings, Grandparents Day, and Community Events. A copy of her report is on file.
- b. Superintendent of Schools’ Report - Pam Vogel read highlights from her report which include the Superintendents Round Table conference that she attended in Santa Monica, Ca. A copy of her report is on file.
- c. Assistant Superintendent of Schools’ Report- Lisa Carter was not in attendance. A copy of her report is on file

14. Public Comment- Lynn Harrington commented that everyone should watch the Region One meeting video and watch the comments at the end. Dr. Vogel commented about Mrs. Harrington’s view of the meeting.

15. Adjourn- Melissa Roth-Cherniske made a motion to adjourn at 7:44 pm. Jenn Duncan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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