GIRLS PREPARATORY
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Kansas City Girls Preparatory Academy
Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 23, 2023, 4:30-6PM

Board members present
Christine Kemper- Board Chair
Julia Tomasic- Secretary
Nicole Smith
Debby Ballard
Rhea Muchalle-LeGrand
Sly James
Martha Salinas
Lisa Hardwick (arrived at 4:43 PM)
Nikki Newton

Members Absent:
McClain Bryant-Macklin
Lesley Elwell

Guests present:
Tom Krebs, CEO, KCGPA
Kara Kahn, KCGPA
Tara Haskins, KCGPA
A large group of current and past staff members and teachers were present, as well as several current parents. Some of the guests spoke and gave comments, while others just attended/listened.

1. **Opening**

A. The meeting was called to order by C. Kemper at 4:36pm. Roll Call was taken, the above members and guests were present, with the listed members absent.
B. Approval of Minutes- S. James moved to approve the June, 2023 Minutes, N. Smith seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to approve.
C. Public Comments- Approximately 50 minutes of time was given for all parents, staff and teachers (past and present) to give their comments regarding KCGPA. This gave the Board an opportunity to take notes to later address all concerns.
    a. Letter from Staff 8/23

2. Finance and CEO Report

A. An overview of the school's finances was presented by M. Salinas. All of the information had been previously reviewed/approved by the Finance Committee. M. Salinas moved to approve the June/July financials and check registers. N. Newton seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to approve.
B. M. Salinas reviewed the details of the finances, regarding the KCGPA Foundation, as an FYI for the Board.
C. CEO Report- T. Krebs briefly reviewed information on movements within the district and KCGPA enrollment numbers/projections.

3. Governance

A. L. Hardwick reviewed the authority to appoint non-board members to chairperson roles and as members of committees, as well as the proposed amendments and amended by-laws, provided previously to the Board for review. L. Hardwick moved to approve both amendment changes, S. James seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to approve.

4. New Business

A. T. Krebs reviewed the Team Handbook and The Family and Scholar Handbook, both of which will need approvals, per DESE. The vote was tabled until the September meeting to allow more time for the Board to review the handbooks/changes.

5. Closing

A. Adjournment- J. Tomasic moved to adjourn and S. James seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the open session at 5:53pm.

6. Closed Session

A. Move to Closed Session- A roll call vote was taken to move into closed session, with all present board members voting unanimously to move to closed session at 5:58 PM. The Board ended the Closed Session with a unanimous roll call vote at 7:29 PM.