

KCGPA Board Meeting Minutes
March 16th, 2022
4:30-6pm

Board members present

Christine Kemper- Board Chair- via Zoom
Julia Tomasic- Secretary- via Zoom
Lisa Hardwick- via Zoom- arrived at 4:48pm
Debby Ballard- via Zoom- arrived at 4:48pm
Sly James- via Zoom
Martha Salinas- via Zoom
Rhea Muchalla LeGrande

Members Absent:

McClain Bryant-Macklin

Guests present:

Tom Krebs, CEO, KCGPA
Kara Kahn- KCGPA Development Mgr.-via Zoom
Michelle Millard, KCGPA parent- via Zoom
Marisol Rodriguez-MCPSC Rep
Martha McGeehan- MCPSC Rep

1. Opening

- A. The meeting was called to order by C. Kemper at 4:33pm.
Roll Call was taken, the above members and guests were present, with no members absent.
- B. Approval of Minutes- M. Salinas moved to approve the February, 2022 Minutes, S.James seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to approve.
- C. Public Comments- There were no public comments, although M. Millard later provided input on several topics.

2. Finance and CEO Report

- A. M. Salinas reviewed the February Finance report and check registers, all of which had been previously approved by the Finance Committee. M. Salinas moved to approve the February finances/check register and J. Tomasic seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to approve.
- B. Foundation- M. Salinas covered the details of the finances regarding the KCGPA Foundation, as an FYI for the Board.
- C. CEO Report and Academic Updates- T. Krebs covered the enrollment, attendance and hiring data. Teacher retention rates are low and staffing for buses is directly impacting KCGPA attendance. T. Krebs covered some of the strategies being used for hiring and the attendance challenges.

Guest M. Millard provided the Board feedback regarding her enrollment process/experience, which she found to be easy/positive, as well as the reasons for her school choice.

3. Board Discussion

- A. T. Krebs led a thorough discussion regarding the options for high school growth. The Board discussed the timeline, pros/cons of waiting to build and starting a small 9th grade, as well as the idea of not opening a 9th grade and sending our students elsewhere. Guest M. Millard gave feedback on this topic and time was made for much discussion and questions/answers.

4. Old Business

- A. T. Krebs reminded the Board that the Financial Disclosures are due to the state very soon and several are still outstanding.
- B. The expulsion recommendation topic was moved to the end of the meeting.

5. New Business

- A. Resolution to Reimburse for Certain Capital Expenses- C. Kemper explained the resolution to the Board. S. James moved to adopt the resolution for the Foundation to be reimbursed for certain expenditures related to the high school build. L. Hardwick seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to approve.

B. Schedule a Site Visit- T. Krebs discussed several dates and times for MCPSC personnel to visit the school with the Board present. More information was needed and a date/time will be selected soon.

6. Closing

A. Expulsion Recommendation by Discipline Committee- At 5:45 pm C. Kemper moved to go into closed session (pursuant of 610.021.13) to discuss the expulsion recommendation. J. Tomasic took a roll call vote and the Board voted unanimously to go into a closed session.

At 5:55pm the Board moved back into open session and J. Tomasic moved to approve the expulsion recommendation, as made by the Discipline Committee. S. James seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to approve.

B. T. Krebs sought meeting feedback, reminded all of the next meeting on 4-20-22 and advised the focus of the next meeting.

C. At 5:58 pm C. Kemper moved to adjourn, J. Tomasic seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.