

Board Meeting Minutes

KC International Academy

November 19, 2024 at 4:00pm zoom

Call to Order

The KC International Academy Board meeting was called to order by Jauqua Preston Wilkins at 4:03 pm with a quorum.

Those Governing Board Members present: Jauqua Preston Wilkins, Tanesha Thompson, Shanelle Brewster, Joycelyn Strickland-Egans, Ramsey Atieh, and Sycil Profit

Those governing members not present at the meeting: Scott Swaggart

Welcome Guests

Clark Hanner; Marr and Company

Approval of Agenda (Action)

Motion by Jauqua Preston Wilkins to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes (Action)

October 22, 2024 regular meeting minutes were approved as written.

KCIA Celebrations

Teaming in Elementary: Lead Teachers

5th Grade Team as a Member of the Middle School Community: Under the Leadership of Jamie Jansen. Middle school represents 5-8th grade with about 300 students.

Attendance Breakfast as a Way of Supporting Families: Jenn Wilson has been using a new strategy to work with parents on improving student attendance. She invites parents whose students are attending below 80% to a breakfast with their children where they review attendance data, do a survey together to identify barriers and create action steps to improve. Resources like umbrellas and alarm clocks are supplied. Transportation and translation is provided as needed.

Healthy Kids Health Screening: November 22, 2024. Schoolwide screenings conducted by Oracle. Identifying health issues early and helping children lead healthy lives. Provided are Physical exams, Vision screenings, and Immunization assessments.

Fall Break: November 25-29

Kindness Day at KCIA: December 19, 2024 more information to come

Winter Arts Festival: December 17, 2024 more information to come

Unfinished Business:

None at this time

Open Forum/New Business

None at this time

Audit Report FYE June 30, 2024

Clark Hanner: Marr and Company, P.C. Certified Public Accountants

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS with INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT; enclosed in packet

Motion by Ramsey Atieh to approve the June 30, 2024 Audit Report given by Clark Hanner. Second by Tanesha Thompson. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance Report : Anne Nichols (Action)

October 2024 Financial Report Review

October 2024 Check Register (Action)

Motion by Ramsey Atieh to approve October Check Register. Second by Tanesha Thompson. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Items (Action)

2nd Quarter Alternative Parking Stipend: 43 Employees

24-25SY First Student and KCIA Contract Rates Agreement: Kansas City International Academy

Contract Rates Revised – Tiered Routes July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

Motion by Ramsey Atieh to approve the Consent Items. Second by Shanelle Brewster. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent's Report

Student Service Written Report (Jenn Wilson)

Family Engagement: Trunk or Treat, October 26, 2024

Engagement Measures

Enrollment:

KCIA Enrollment Update: Updated November 14, 2024

33 pre K at Della Lamb, 629 K-8 at KCIA

Open Seats and Waitlist Count: 36

Attendance:

KCIA % Present Daily: 92.09% of student body present each day

KCIA Tiered Report: K-8 Tier 1 72%, K-8 Tier 2 19.3%, K-8 Tier 3, 8.7%

Demographics:

Countries of Birth: KCIA students come from 31 countries.

Home Languages: KCIA families speak 20 languages.

Student Demographics: Gender 48% Female, 52% Male, LEP 62%, Homeless 11%, IEP 9%, FRL 100% CEP /76% Direct Certified, and 504 Plan <1%

Summer Learning Program: KCIA will offer an inaugural summer learning program focused on intensive language and literacy support to a targeted group of students in summer 2025. This program will be in addition to KCIA's current extended school year and is expected to run for 16-20 days in July. Approximately 100-150 students will be identified as candidates for the program based on English language development and reading data, and the program will offer specific support for newcomers and refugees. This program will be supported by approximately \$160,000 in federal grant funding dedicated to the service of school-age refugees. (Refugee School Impact Program).

First Quarter Absence Field Rate Report: Morgan Hunter; August 85.33%, September 59.42% October 76.62.1st Quarter Totals 69.08%

Sherwood Autism Contract (**Action**) Sherwood Autism Center educates, equips, and empowers children and adults with autism as well as other developmental disabilities to promote independence in family and community life.

Service Provider agrees to provide appropriate facilities, equipment, and materials to effectively deliver special education and related services to all students serviced via this contract.

Motion by Sycil Proffitt to Sherwood Autism Center Contract. Second by Shanelle Brewster. Motion carried unanimously.

TFM Custodial Services Update: Additional person to support building needs after school hours.

KCIA Renovation Conversation: More information to come from Dr. King
Hollis and Miller Plans - Elementary Extension, Middle School Renovation
AC Replacement
Elementary Playground Replacement
Phase Two Parking Lot Addition
Soccer Field/Grass and Play Area
Maintenance and Grounds Building

Building Improvements and Updates: Additional information included in packet
Roof Repairs
Asphalt and Concrete Work
Parking Lot Update

President's Report

Conflict of Interest Signature Reminders

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:27pm. Present: Governing Board Members: Jauqua Preston Wilkins, Tanesha Thompson, Joycelyn Strickland-Egans, and Shanelle Brewster.

Next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, December 17th, at 4:00pm in person

Jauqua Preston Wilkins, Board President

Tanesha Thompson, Board Secretary

Michelle Haynes-Winter

Michelle Haynes-Winter, Records Custodian