

KENTER CANYON GOVERNANCE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, April 13, 2021
2:30 p.m. – Video Conference

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

1. Ben Meritt (Administrator)
2. Lewis Gabel (Teacher/Co-Chair)
3. Nicole Williams (Parent/Co-Chair)
4. Heather Herzikoff (Teacher)
5. Carly Citron (Teacher)
6. Danielle Klapproth (Teacher)
7. Stephanie Ross (Teacher)
8. Alyssa Mackenzie (Teacher)
9. Katy Cohen (Teacher)
10. Lauren Swigert (Parent)
11. Katy Nemeth (Parent)
12. Jason Schaeffer (Parent)
13. John Orsanic (Parent)
14. Kevin Shepela (Parent)
15. Behnaz Naeim (Parent)
16. Abby Marpet (Parent)
17. Lynn Whitaker (Community Member)

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

1. Michelle Hansbrough (Teacher)
2. Erin Mekhitarian (Teacher – alternate)
3. Amy Merrill-Brugger (Parent)

ADDITIONAL PERSONS PRESENT:

- None

CALL TO ORDER:

- Lewis Gabel called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Meeting Minutes
 - o Motion to approve Minutes from March 9, 2021 GC Meeting was made by Ben Meritt, with Carly Citron supporting the motion, and was passed unanimously
- Safety/Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting (Heather Herzikoff)
 - o Final walk-thru of campus and looking for items to correct (in process)
- Math Committee Meeting (Alyssa Mackenzie)
 - o Committee is discussing goals for next school year
 - o Eureka is working well as a tool; get workbooks for next year

- Positive Discipline Committee Meeting (Danielle Klapproth)
 - Recommending that “Character” should be focus for rest of the year
 - Liked how “Character” focus could change to reflect what was going on in school
- English Language Arts/Social Science Committee Meeting (Katy Cohen)
 - ELD Update
 - Grades K-2 complete
 - Grades 3-5 in process
 - Gathering “read aloud” lists to share by grade level
 - Goals for next school year will include:
 - Literacy Night
 - Open Library
- Professional Development Committee Meeting (Alyssa Mackenzie)
 - Reviewed list of training courses offered this year
 - Proposed delay on setting goals for Professional Development until there is a better understanding of how the next school year will be structured
- Science/STEAM Committee Meeting (Carly Citron)
 - Reviewed current year accomplishments
 - Exploring funding to do virtual field trips

NEW BUSINESS

- Personnel Selection Committee Update (Lewis Gabel)
 - Flyer for Principal role has been extended (role still open)
- Date for final Governance Council meeting of 2020-2021 school year
 - Date proposed for Tuesday, May 11 at 3:45pm
 - *Date subsequently amended to Tuesday, May 25 at 3:45pm to allow Administration to prepare and present calendar for 2021-2022 school year*
- Charter Oversight Visit
 - Awaiting response on timing of next visit
 - Currently schedule for May 18

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP UPDATE (Lewis Gabel)

- Read-a-thon
 - Overall view that this year’s Read-a-thon was a success
 - Approximately \$40k raised
- Actively looking for board members for next year, specifically for Annual Giving director
- CPK Night
 - Scheduled for April 19 & 20
 - Dine in or take out, 20% of orders will go to PSG
 - Show flyer or use code BACK20%
 - Valid at CPK in Brentwood Gardens only
- Currently in communication with Mr. Meritt on culmination options
- Mr. Meritt is following up on previously paid for projects (backpack hooks and water dispensers)

STUDENT COUNCIL UPDATE (Carly Citron)

- April Spirit Day
 - Theme will be Disney for Dress Down Day

- Working to reschedule next Student Council meeting due challenges with Back to School schedules
- In Process to determine what End of Year Meeting will look like

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE (Benjamin Meritt)

- Introduction of Interim Principal Benjamin Meritt
- Reopening Updates – Review of Various Issues
 - Procedures to address students that are returning from out of state
 - Childcare Concerns (Beyond the Bell)
 - Confirmed 5-day schedule / 4 hours per day
 - Strong demand for afternoon (~180 students); STAR working to identify resources to support
 - Reminder that everyone needs to be tested (weekly) before coming to campus; this may change on risk level being downgraded

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Discussion on public health considerations and logistics for re-opening; including:
 - Orientation and process for Kindergarten students
 - Beyond the Bell / STAR utilization
 - Confirmed use of new cohorts on Monday, April 12
 - Students returning to campus should bring their own snacks/lunch & water bottles
 - Water bottles will be available at school
 - Cohorts: survey will be available continuously to allow parents to change campus/remote option
 - Enrichment program: teachers working to create schedule
 - Daily Pass: logistics of handling daily pass and staggered start times

MOTION TO ADJOURN

- Lauren Swigert made motion to adjourn
- Second motion to adjourn provided by Jason Schaeffer and passed unanimously