

Kwiyagat Community Academy Board of Directors

Monthly Board Meeting

January 11, 2024

5:00pm

Location (virtual)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87494645031?pwd=L0hPd1hTYWhVQ3ZWbzF5NDRPUUVwdz09>

Meeting Minutes

(created by Raleigh Cato, board secretary)

1. Meeting called to order by Tina King Washington at 5:02 pm
2. Roll Call
 - Ceriss Blackwood not here (joined at 5:30), Alicia Whitehead here, Raleigh Cato here, Dyllon Mills here, Tina King-Washington here
 - Tawnie Knight, newest board member, here
 - Nick Stamates, tribal attorney, clarifies that this will be Dyllon's last meeting as a board member
 - Danny Porter, head of school, reads the KCA bylaws, recommendation to hold emergency election for temporary officers and post our 30 day notice and elect officers officially in the February meeting
3. Welcome to Tawnie Knight as a newly appointed board member to KCA by tribal council, board member introductions
4. Resolution of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribal council appointing KCA school board - read by Danny - appointed for 3 year terms on 12/17/2023
 - a. Ceriss Blackwood
 - b. Tina King Washington
 - c. Tawnie Knight
 - d. Raleigh Cato
 - e. Alicia Whitehead
5. Approval of agenda for January meeting
 - a. Raleigh makes a motion to approve, Alicia seconds, agenda approved unanimously at 5:16pm
6. Approval of December meeting minutes
 - a. Raleigh makes a motion to approve, Dyllon seconds, meeting minutes approved unanimously at 5:17pm
7. Emergency officer elections for the purpose of tonight's meeting
 - a. Board chair - nomination for Tina - unanimously chosen

- b. Vice chair - nomination for Tawnie - unanimously chosen
 - c. Secretary - nomination for Raleigh - unanimously chosen
 - d. Treasurer - nomination for Ceriss - unanimously chosen
 - i. All positions will be officially selected in the February meeting
8. Community addresses the board
- a. Dyllon Mills - general update about History Colorado communications, mid-february visit planned to educate the KCA board about boarding school histories, institutional racism, and intergenerational trauma - question from Tawnie about including the Tribal Historic Preservation - she will follow up
9. Board Reports
10. Head of School Report
- a. Good week back from winter break
 - b. COVID cases at school, exposure notice to classroom affected
 - c. Catastrophic internet problem in the building, set to be fixed 1/12/24
 - d. State visit for CPI training (crisis prevention and de-escalation) for staff 1/12/24
 - e. Need an enrollment push for next year, need to make it a campaign as a board
11. Finance Report
- a. FY24 Q2 with comparative data from 2022-2023
 - i. Meeting our CSI assigned benchmarks
 - b. We will need another member of the board on the finance committee moving forward
12. Discussion items
- a. Official election of board officers during February monthly meeting, must have 30 days to advertise the positions
 - i. Ceriss needs support for the finance committee now that Dyllon will not be on the committee;
 - 1. review monthly financial reports, communications with the finance team, audits, draft policies and procedures, inform the board about what's going on, enrollment, grants, understand our benchmarks and our needs, school accountability committee
 - b. Farewell to Dyllon as a board member, we could establish him as a KCA board alum (retain his KCA email, consult as needed), to vote on in February
 - c. Welcome, Tawnie!
13. Adjourn
- a. Raleigh makes a motion to adjourn, Ceriss seconds, meeting adjourned at 6:23pm

