

KCA Board Agenda May 15th, 2025

5pm by Zoom and in person at KCA.

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Call to order/ Welcome - Tina King-Washington at 5:01pm

Roll Call

Ceriss - here
Raleigh - here
Alicia - here
Tawnie - absent with notice

Approval of Agenda-Vote - Raleigh motions, Alicia seconds at 5:02pm

Approval of the minutes for April 17th, meeting-Raleigh motions, Alicia seconds 5:03pm

Community addresses the Board: none requested

Reports

- Council Report Councilwoman Knight -
- Board Reports Tina CSI visit went well this week
- Finance Ceriss May report shows we're on track, need to vote on budget tonight
 - a. Grants update from Richard Fulton (see attachment at the end of the minutes)
- Principal report
 - a. Staffing new 4th grade teacher hired, Mr Mills has his sub license/ art teacher
 - b. Facilities May 20th architect presentation to council
 - c. Testing CMAS done, working on EOY Star and DIBELS testing, cultural competencies, G/T
 - d. Best grant update Tina and Dan have meeting on 5/19/25
 - e. Summer program and PD CSU with iStar, uFLY, ease into the school year

Discussion Items

- June work session 6/14/25 strategic plan, board self-evaluation, student data review
- FY 26 budget draft -
- Principal evaluation complete outside of the june retreat

Action Items:

- FY 26 budget draft - Raleigh motions to approve, Ceriss seconds - approved at 6:00pm

Adjourn - Adjourned by Tina at 6:00pm

Attachment:

Recent grant activity:

- 1. Comprehensive Literacy State Development Grant: \$100,000 proposal, perhaps good for four years and \$400,000 to continue Fort Lewis College Literacy Classes and Wonders Curriculum training for staff, Funding for Tutoring Specialist, Literacy Coach, Assistance with conducting DIBELS, Lexia, Heggerty, and other required assessments and training teachers to independently conduct these assessments and use date in instruction.
- 2. Nathan Yip Foundation: \$30,000 to assist with installation of greenhouse, plants, soil, and pathways not covered under Trust for Public Lands \$88,000 grant.
- 3. Charter School Facilities Grant: \$8500 each year for next five years to go towards facilities improvements or architect fees.
- 4. Title VI CSI and KCA Application: Completed and submitted Title VI application with CSI that should provide KCA with at least \$15,000 each year forever to be used as determined by school and Indian Parent Committee. Potential uses funding Ute Language consultant to work with classroom teachers to increase Ute language in general classrooms in addition to Ute language classes, Wonders and Everyday Math Training, Tutoring for students below grade level, and Family-School Events.
- 5. UMUT Generation Wild: \$200,000 for 5 years to be run by the Tribe under the Recreation Center with KCA having \$7500 for PT field trip coordinator and up to \$25,000 for field trips to various local partners, such as San Juan Mountains Association, Medicine Horse, Fozzie's Farm, Crow Canyon, and High Desert DEVO Bike Program. We also just received \$23K from Generation Wild to run Summer Camp and Fall Programs through December 2025.
- 6. Montezuma Land Conservancy: We are able to request reimbursements up to \$23,000 for program expansion and hosting community events. Linda and I submitted approximately \$20K this week from operating expenses and are hopeful these costs will be reimbursed.
- 7. First Nations Development Institute: They have a Native Foods Program Grant that we are hopefully can fund staffing for School Breakfast Lunches next year. I think we can apply for

\$40K to staff a Breakfast and Lunch Program position. Perhaps we can use the Community Center commercial kitchen.

- 8. Trust for Public Lands: This grant is for \$88,000 and is funding most of the renovations for the outdoor learning areas.
- 9. BEST Grant: Started meetings with Chris Guarino, Beverly Santicola, Tina, Dan, Bernadette, and Architects for \$12-14 million in BEST Grant for New School in addition to the \$2 million in USDA funds and potential \$2 million in New Generation Tax Credits.