



KCA Board Minutes

March 14, 2024

5pm by Zoom and in person at KCA.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84484491267?pwd=WVA2Z3BWSStTWHJMSVBsLzVqRXI3dz09>

minutes recorded by Raleigh Cato

Call to order called to order at 5:01pm by Tina

Welcome - Tina

Roll Call

Raleigh – here in person

Alicia – here on phone

Tawnie – here in person

Tina – here online

Ceriss – absent at time of call, joined at 5:13pm online

Approval of Agenda

Raleigh motions to approve agenda, Alicia seconds, agenda approved at 5:04pm

Approval of the minutes for Feb 8th, 2024 meeting- Vote

Tawnie motions to approve minutes, Raleigh seconds, minutes approved at 5:05pm

Community addresses the Board:

None requested

Reports

- Council Report – Councilman Jacket
- Board Reports

Tina – CCIA meeting online, talked about KCA, thanks Manuel Hart

Ceriss – financial report – FY24 actual through February, nothing new to report from the last finance meeting, we're less behind than previous years, new grants picked up in January and February

- Principal report

1. Staffing – hired 2 new people, paraprofessional and college and career development specialist, have an application for 4th grade teacher with ELL/ ESS certs, PE part time as well
 - a. Could the board have a visual of the staffing model?

2. Facilities – payment to get a basketball court built, finish payment to Weemenuche in the modular, \$2mil grant from CO senate opportunity (looking into transportation, up to 3 vehicles, 15 person vans); flood repair in the modular is almost complete; windows covered with shatterproof safety film on both buildings; looking at adding irrigation for gardens in the back

3. Testing – CMAS is coming for 3rd grade, required trainings done, Danny is the administrator, tests are ordered, all paper testing

Ute day celebrated today because we aren't in school tomorrow (3/15), this is a tribute to our school's mission; taking more field trips for land based learning is difficult to balance with rigorous instruction for high achievement

We continue to look for Ute Culture teachers to support Betty, but we aren't missing cultural instruction because more of our staff are Ute – could Tawnie apply? With transparency and the student and school best interest in mind, we'd love to have her! We'll look at the bylaws to be sure

READ act training – science of reading – Ft Lewis will try to adapt work we're already doing

Discussion

· Policies

- Parent/ student handbook review
- School fees – because of our grants, JOM, and our free lunch ratio we've waived the fee for all parents so far; do we need a policy about having parents request the waiver – provide a signature form on the enrollment paperwork each year

· Enrollment

- radio slot – Raleigh to talk to KSJD, set up student/ staff interview
- Advertisement in the Cortez Journal? need to get the word out to all of Montezuma county
- sunflower theater – recruitment event with our students?
- Facebook page – weemenuche smoke signals – will cover us at the spring fair in a few days
- Parent meetings in town, outreach to other parents

-Bloomberg grant related request for video to show off the outcome of the grant monies, Alicia requests the board be informed

Executive session – motion to move to ES at 6:05pm read by Tawnie, second by Ceriss, 5/5 in favor, move to ES at 6:06pm

· Executive session for the sole purpose of discussing matters required to be kept confidential by state or federal law (student records under FERPA) as authorized by 24-6-402(4)(f) –

Tribal versus federal laws and student protection as a priority, covered in our bylaws that we will uphold FERPA as a board

Motion to end ES made by Ceriss, Raleigh seconds, ES ended at 6:16pm

Adjourn – motion to adjourn by Tawnie, Alicia seconds, meeting adjourned at 6:17pm