

KASHMERE GARDENS E L E M E N T A R Y

KGES SDMC MEETING

Date: Tuesday, September 24, 2024

Time: 4:20 pm – 5:20 pm

Facilitator: Mr. M. Collins, Principal

SDMC Member attendance:

Marques Collins, Principal

Altoya Robertson, Teacher

Tisie Brown, Teacher

Brooke Taylor-Johnson, Teacher

Alex James, Special Ed Teacher

Chaney Johnson, Counselor

Anna Quiroz, Office Manager

Phaedra Gray, Teacher

Welcome & Member Introduction

Mr. Collins began the meeting at 4: 20pm. He welcomed the community and SDMC members and opened the floor for introductions. He informed the committee that he has invited and spoken with the community members, but they were unable to attend due to prior engagement.

I. Enrollment Increasing

Mr. Collins informed the committee that we have surpassed the projected enrollment of 283 students. Our enrollment is currently at 335 and they are still coming. Collins stated that our Pre-K students should be 22 to 1 but we are currently underenrolled in that grade level. Further information to follow regarding Pre-K class structure.

II. Budget

Mr. Collins informed the committee that he has no control of the budget, everything must be approved by the district. The approval consists of funds for field trips, campus events, and teacher appreciation. He gave a shout out to Ms. Johnson for her dedication in ensuring that the staff feels appreciated. Ms. Robertson asked about the cost of buses. Collins and Johnson informed her that the cost of buses ranges from \$200-\$250.

III. School Action Plan

Mr. Collins spoke briefly spoke about the action plan. He stated that the goal is to increase percentages in NWEA MAP scores. He commended the staff on their dedication and to continue to use IXL as an intervention tool.

IV. Parental Involvement

Mr. Collins met with Family and Community Engagement (FACE) department. He mentioned that Ms. Brown will be spearheading the Backpack Buddies partnership. Mr. Collins tasked the committee with coming up with additional parental involvement activities. Ms. Johnson stated that she is working on planning Family Literacy Night focused on financial literacy.

V. Brighter Bites

Ms. Johnson informed the committee that The Brighter Bites program is sponsored by Cigna. The program delivers fresh fruit and vegetables and teaches them how to use it and track behavior change. Ms. Johnson indicated that it is important for teachers to login and complete the modules with their students. The next meeting will be held October 18th from 3pm-4pm.

VI. HISD Bond

Mr. Collins informed the committee that there was a bond meeting at Key Middle School. He mentioned that the Superintendent invited the community to walk the different campuses to observe the damage and updates that many of the campuses need. If the bond is passed, the plan is to relocate Kashmere Gardens to Key Middle School. A new wing will be built on Key Middle School campus to accommodate KGES.

VII. SDMC Community Leaders Updates

There were no community leaders present to provide updates.

VIII. SDMC Staff Member Updates

Congratulaions to Ms. Richardson and Ms. Walker on the birth of their baby girls.

IX. Closing Remarks

Mr. Collins reminded the staff of upcoming professional development on October 3rd. October 4th is HISD Fall Holiday. Mr. Collins discussed next SDMC meeting date to be scheduled in December.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 pm