



KGES SDMC MEETING

Date: February 24, 2022
Time: 3:30 pm
Facilitator: Mr. M. Collins, Principal

In attendance:

Marques Collins, Principal
Altoya Robertson, Teacher
Simone Hall, Teacher

Yolanda Dailey, Teacher
Keith Downey, Community Member
Yolanda Rubio, Parent

Kenneth Williams, Business Partner
Huey Wilson German, Community Member

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were read from January meeting and approved.

Meeting

Mr. Collins begin the meeting with a welcome at 3:30 pm and opened the floor for member introductions. Mr. Collins spoke briefly about the Superintendent House budget proposal that included the addition of a clerk, librarian, fine arts teachers, nurse, SIR, Assistance Principal, and other positions that will now be funded through ESSR funds. The budget has not been approved by the board as of date. Will provide updates after attending the principal meeting on March 2nd.

Agenda Item I: Pay Raises

Mr. Collins informed the committee that the new strategic plan included pay raises for all staff to include teachers, police officers, bus drivers. Of course, the strategic plan is waiting approval from the board.

Mr. Collins mentioned that this is the last year for paper and pencil testing. This proposed budget will allow the campus to have the funds necessary to equip the school with proper internet service and devices for students. Mr. Collins informed the committee that whatever rating we receive this year, we keep for two years. We are focused on Domain 2, student growth. Collins explained testing protocols in detail.

Robertson asked about students that opted out of testing last year. Collins responded that those students would be under Domain 1 because they have no scores from the previous year.

Huey asked what the district is doing to help fill the gap due to the pandemic and school testing from previous year. Collins responded that the district provided ESSR funds in which he used to hire tutors (I-Educate) that assist with interventions during the day. The funds are also used to compensate teachers that provide after school tutorials.

Job Fair

KGES is currently looking to hire experienced teachers. He will be present at the job fair held on Saturday, February 26, 2022. Some of the incentives offered to the teachers who choose to work at the Gardens are Teacher of the Month, SEL Room for teachers and flexibility.

Agenda Item II: Spark Park

Mr. Collins stated that the Spark Park is moving ahead. The track area is complete, and the equipment has been chosen for the playground. Mr. Collins mentioned that the current equipment is not in use due to safety concerns, but students are able to access the track.

Downey asked if there was a schedule date for equipment delivery in which Hall responded with in May. Once the equipment is received, the installation process should happen fairly quickly.

Agenda Item III: Enrollment

Mr. Collins stated the current enrollment is 461. Pre-K 3 and 4 open enrollments has begun and there are currently 25 students enrolled.

Mr. Collins stated that we have partnered with Community Partners to provide daycare services from infants to 2 years old. They are currently housed in 2 of KGES Annex Buildings. Scheduled open to occur before the end of the school year.

Robertson asked if they will be providing after school care for KGES students. Mr. Collins will follow up for a response.

Agenda Item IV: Intent to Return Form

Mr. Collins indicated that intent to return forms will be given to teachers in March.

Agenda Item V: Faculty and Staff Updates

Mr. Collins stated that we are currently looking for one first grade teacher; two third grade teachers and one pre-k teacher.

Mr. Downey asked if there was a survey to get teacher input for teachers to stay or how we can better serve the teachers. Mr. Collins responded that information is listed on the intent to return form as well as an option to choose the grade level they would like to teach.

Daily included that the question, how can we better serve you? was asked during teacher progress monitoring.

Agenda Item VI: City/Community Remarks

Mr. Williams and Downey – Vaccine Clinic next Saturday, March 5th at Kashmere Highschool from 9am – 1pm, 6900 Wileyvale. All vaccines will be available, including boosters. This vaccine clinic is part of the incentivized, Grand Prize is \$1,000.

Downey mentioned that free testing sight is located at the METRO Kiosk on Kelley. Results are returned withing 24 hours. There is also a white building across from Key Middle School with no name that offers testing. Downey emphasized: Don't go to a business with no name!

Mr. Hall mentioned that three art students are being awarded at a Rodeo Art Showcase at Hattie Mae today at 4:30 pm. All are 1st place winners. KGES to award students with lunch.

Mr. Collins requested concrete base and some type of awning or cover to prevent weather erosion for the benches that are currently being stored on the stage. The current outdoor benches and black board will be taken down.

Agenda Item VII: Questions and Answers

None

Agenda Item VIII: Closing Remarks

None

Meeting adjourned 4:05 pm