

Knowledge Quest Academy (KQA)

Regular Session Minutes

Date and Time:

4/4/2023 at 6:30 pm

Location:

Knowledge Quest Academy, 705 Schoolhouse Dr., Milliken, CO 80543

Leadership in attendance:

Tauna Esslinger, Chair

Tish Thompson, Director

Chester Gemaehlich, Co-Chair/Treasurer

Carl McCutchen, Director

Sheree Baker, Secretary

Samantha Hise, Director

Guests:

Linda Spreitzer, Principal

Brenda Chinn

Isaac Korgan, Assistant Principal

Doug Chinn

Rafi Mohammed

Rod Hise

Sara George

- I. Call to order at 6:30 pm
- II. Roll Call
- III. Pledge of Allegiance/KQA Pledge
- IV. Approval of the Agenda – motion made by Tauna, second by Tish, to approve agenda as presented. Motion approved.
- V. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – motion made by Tish, second by Samantha, to approve minutes from 3/2/2023 and 3/16/2023 (Regular and Executive Sessions). Motion approved.
- VI. Public Comment – none
- VII. Principal + Committee Reports
 - a. Principal’s Report – preparing for testing, sound system install in progress, gymnasium water fountain is working, Isaac is working on bids for new bleachers (larger and ADA compliant), additional electrical outlets for tech room; Scott Nielsen has been chosen as the new Superintendent of Weld RE 5J school district
 - b. Facilities + Grounds Committee – landscaping contract with Mow4U has been signed, playground equipment quotes range \$50k-\$150k – need guidance on budget and scope, two door access quotes received, waiting for two more quotes
 - c. Curriculum Committee – middle school math – five curricula reviewed, Into Math by HMH preferred, Envision as a distant second option, Springboard is a very distant third option; Into Math is a 6 year subscription for a total of roughly \$30k across three grades
 - d. Finance Committee – Bart is working with Michael Everest on budget; work to fix links for financial transparency
 - e. Technology Committee – looking into four replacement “TV” screens and two 3D printers
- VIII. Items of Discussion
 - a. Thank you to departing Director(s)
 - b. Seating of New Directors – Sara George and Rafi Mohammed beginning terms that will end in 2025
 - c. Board Alignment
 - i. Chair – motion made by Tauna, second by Carl, to appoint Chester Gemaehlich as Chair. Motion approved.

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- ii. Co-Chair – motion made by Samantha, second by Chester, to appoint Tish Thompson as Co-Chair. Motion approved.
 - iii. Treasurer – motion made by Tish, second by Rafi, to appoint Samantha Hise as Treasurer. Motion approved.
 - iv. Secretary – motion made by Tish, second by Carl, to appoint Tauna Esslinger as Secretary. Motion approved.
 - d. PTO + Sick Leave Policy – first reading of PTO + Sick Leave Policy for 2023-2024 school year, to be adopted 4/20/2023.
- IX. Adjourn – motion made by Tauna, second by Carl, to adjourn at 8:02 pm. Motion approved.

Action Items/Directives	Responsible Person	Expected Completion

Submitted by Board Secretary, Sheree Baker