

Agenda for the Governing Board of  
Knowledge Quest Academy  
Date: **January 11, 2012**  
**Regular Session 6:30 PM**  
Learning Lab

**\*\*Reminder to all members to meet at 5:30 PM to meet with teachers and staff\*\***

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**KQA Motto**

Blazing a trail of knowledge ... on the path to success!

**KQA Mission Statement**

Knowledge Quest Academy provides innovative teaching of comprehensive and relevant curriculum to support the mastery of skills necessary for academic success. Additionally, there is a commitment to teaching and implementing a code of ethics that promotes responsible citizenship.

**KQA Vision Statement**

**KQA Students** will be actively engaged in the learning process as they acquire the skills and knowledge to prepare a strong foundation for future success.

**KQA Parents** will be actively involved as advocates for their children and supporters of the school's programs and staff.

**KQA Staff** will demonstrate a high standard of excellence in teaching students to become critical thinkers, problem solvers, and lifelong learners within a nurturing and safe environment.

**KQA Administration and the KQA Board of Directors** will ensure that small class sizes, innovative technology, and focused instruction will support the mission and vision of the KQA Community.

**I. Preliminary**

- 1. Call to Order** at 6:30 pm.
- 2. Roll call:** Joseph Barrows (excused absence), Kellie Brown, Jennifer Grim, Nancy Supernor, Ashley Vetter, Mike Schmitt
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Approval of agenda:** Kellie moved to approve agenda with the amendment of changing the date to reflect 2012. Nancy seconded.
- 5. Approval of previous minutes:** No previous minutes for approval due to missing tape recorder.
- 6. Public comment:** A parent came to the Board to voice a concern with Administration.

**II. Reports**

- 1. Principal:** The Governor announced that the \$89 million proposed cut to the K-12 budget would be taken off the table. Proposed 2012-2013 school calendar will be brought to the March Board meeting. We are working on a program with CSU and student teachers. We have four student teachers starting now for 15 weeks, and five more that will be coming in eight weeks. We also have Jason as an Administration Intern. CSU is very happy with the relationship that we are building. The Promethean boards have been installed in the classrooms. Conchetta would like to give

Matthew Kummer a comp day for installing the boards over his Christmas break.

2. **Chair:** No Report
3. **Liaison:** No Report
4. **Secretary:** No Report
5. **Enrollment:** There will be no “lottery” this year since we only have 36 on the intent to enroll forms. We do not have very many siblings this year. If anything does change by January 14, 2012, then Ashley will get in touch with us, so we can ensure that we have two board members for the lottery. After January 14<sup>th</sup>, it will be a first come first served until the maximum number of students is reached.
6. **Treasure:** No Report
7. **PR:** The letter to the editor of the Loveland Reporter-Herald did appear in the newspaper. Nancy will be forwarding the proof of the brochure to all members of the board for comment and approval.
8. **Accountability:** In January, they will be establishing an election committee. In February, they will hold a question and answer session with current board members. In March, nominations will be made, there will be a “meet the candidates” night, and ballots will be out. Voting will be done during conferences in March. Results will be announced the first week of April.

### III. **General Agenda**

1. **2012 Board of Directors Election Committee Recommendations:** Jennifer’s term is over. Nancy and Ashley are also finished with their terms. Nancy and Ashley are both eligible to run for another three year term. Both of them would like to serve a three year term, but not run for an additional three years on top of what they have already served. Therefore, there will be one officer position open and two Member At Large positions. The Accountability Committee would like the Board to brainstorm and come up with some names to be on the election committee. The election committee will be responsible for creating questions for question and answer night, moderating the “meet the candidates” night, producing the ballots, and running the election. Please email Kellie with your recommendations by Monday.
2. **KQA Personnel Contract:** Christian is asking for an extended leave of absence and would like to be put back on the payroll for the July 2012 pay period. Jennifer asked that Administration look over the contract that he is currently in and figure out what those numbers might look like for putting him back on the payroll in July. Then bring a recommendation to the Board reflecting what they had decided. Conchetta would like know what the timeline is for contract recommendations. Jennifer requested the contract recommendations by March 7<sup>th</sup>, so they can be given to the teachers on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### IV. **Consent agenda**

### V. **New Business**

- VI. Executive Sessions:** The governing board may be meeting in executive sessions to discuss individual personnel issues and negotiations as allowed by C.R.S. 24-6-402(4) (f) and C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4) (e), respectively. Decisions requiring votes may follow in open meeting.
1. **Executive Session A – Discussion with Christian Sarmento:** Entered Executive Session A at 5:47 pm.
  2. **Executive Session B – KQA Board Item:** Entered Executive Session B at 7:52 pm.
- VII. Adjournment:** Kellie moved to adjourn at 8:12pm. Nancy seconded.

**Chair's Attestation – General.** I, Jennifer Grim, served as chair of the KQA Board of Directors Regular Session on January 11, 2012 and hereby attest that the foregoing minutes substantially reflect the substance of the discussion during the session.

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