

Knowledge Quest Academy (KQA)

Regular Session Minutes

Date and Time:

11/06/2025 at 6:00 pm

Location:

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

Leadership in attendance:

Chester Gemaehlich, Chair

Alejandra Tomes - Virtual

Samantha Hise, Treasurer/Secretary

Leadership late arrival:

Leadership absent

Jennifer Biver- Excused

Deborah Tikka, Director - Excused

Guests:

Paul Stecina, Principal

Isaac Korgan, Assistant Principal

Rod Hise

- I. Call to order at 6:03 pm.
- II. Agenda approved: Motion made by Chester second by Sam. Motion approved unanimously.
- III. Approval of minutes: 9/18/10/2 and 10/16 meeting minutes as presented. Motion made by Chester second by Alejandra. Motion approved unanimously.
- IV. Public Comment - None
- V. Principal Report – Chronic absenteeism is at 8.2%. Conferences were well attended, great feedback from parents. PTO has new members with lots of fresh ideas. 8th graders did their performance, it went very well. Halloween dance last week for middle school. Dance was during the day, Paul did the DJ, it was a great success. Hospitality did the decorating and Culinary did the snacks. Veterans day event next Tuesday. 45 or so pics from veterans/active military received. Official October count was 382
- VI. Committee Reports – Curriculum no meeting yet. Update on Financial committee received from Bart and read to the board. F&G committee (can add employee(s) to this committee) but not on the Building Corp. Paul on Tech Committee and will be the boards liason.
- VII. Items of Discussion
 - a. Teacher Honorarium: Per discussion with Bart recommendation \$500 per staff member prior to taxes being deducted. Chester made a motion to approve a one-time honorarium in the amount of \$500.00, prior to taxes, for each staff member on KQA payroll excluding extracurricular staff, to be paid on the December paycheck, second by Alejandra. Motion approved unanimously.

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- b. Board Alignment: Deborah has resigned from the board.
- II. Adjourn – Motion made by Chester, second by Sam, to adjourn meeting at 6:30pm. Motion approved unanimously.

Submitted by Co-Chair Samantha Hise Approved 11.20.25