



K.O. Knudson School Organizational Team

AGENDA

K.O. Knudson Academy of the Arts
School Organizational Team Meeting

K.O. Library Annex

Google meet link

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Monday, March 4, 2024

5:30pm In-person/Virtual

School Organizational Team Members:

Rebecca Dirks Garcia

Tobi Ferguson

Patrick Kearney

Stacey O'Brien

Amy Symes

Robert Bertolani

Julieta Soto Saldarriaga

Michelle Gamboa

Mike Bashay - Principal

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Speakers will be called in the order in which they signed up. No one may sign up for another person or yield their time to another person. Generally, a person wishing to speak during the public comment period will be allowed two (2) minutes to address the School Organizational Team. Speakers may also submit additional comments in writing.



K.O. Knudson School Organizational Team

School Organizational Team members present:

Rebecca Dirks Garcia
Patrick Kearney
Stacey O'Brien
Robert Bertolani
Julieta Soto Saldarriaga
Michelle Gamboa
Mike Bashay - Principal

School Organizational Team members absent:

Amy Symes
Tobi Ferguson

Call to Order : 4:10 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Agenda Items

1. Magnet Lottery
 - a. [After the Magnet Lottery FAQs](#) -
 - b. Final day to accept seats is Friday, 3/8/2024
 - c. Final number will be available after spring break
 - d. There are 99 students still to accept the seats.

A member has inquired if the school is considering expanding the seats. Mr. Bashay said that the admin is looking into it. The member responded that she has inquired about it directly from the district and has gotten different responses but it would be great for students to have more chances of getting into the Magnet program.

2. Hiring for vacant and new positions; licensed and support
 - a. 10 new or originally vacant licensed positions which were not filled by licensed staff but only by substitutes
 - b. 4 licensed positions to replace due to transfers to another school
 - c. 8 support staff positions including AP secretaries, CSMs and Banker

Most positions have been flown. The Banker position has been upgraded to the Administrative Secretary position to attract more candidates.

General Discussion

1. A member has asked if we have considered posting the Sports position in social media like the other schools? Mr. Bashay has responded that yes he had but based on the advice he has received, it is not recommended. Mr. Bertolani suggested that we can distribute flyers



- instead during the Best of KO or when we have Open houses and events in the campus.
2. The administration will be interviewing candidates for the additional AP position starting this week.
 3. Issues regarding the facilities has been discussed which includes the following:
 - a. Water Refilling Station - This is a site-funded project which needs to be evaluated by the district. We have signed the request for inspection and we are waiting for the update from the Facilities.If it pushes through, we will have it in the Cafe, Gym and Main office.
 - b. Gym Ventilation - A member has inquired about the air conditioning system in the gym. As a parent, she has heard a lot of complaints regarding the gym being too warm. Is it going to be fixed or replaced?
 - c. Girls and Boys Bathrooms in the Cafeteria - The student representative has mentioned that the cafe bathrooms need to be fixed. It has been unavailable since March of last year.

Mr. Bertolani said that he will get together with the AP in-charge of Facilities to do a walk around the campus to check on these issues. After that they will check if there are any pending work orders and the status.

4. 8th Grade Activities on their Last Day - They are usually allowed to have a Free Dress Day on Monday before the last day of school. They have to wear a wristband and still comply with the dress code. A member has suggested changing that to the Friday before the last day of school so more students will be here on campus.
5. Camera system - A request for better and more cameras around the school. There are some blindspots where cameras need to be installed. It was suggested by a member to look for something cheaper to get more cameras, however, another member has mentioned that cheaper cameras usually do not last and network security is a main concern.
6. Back gate by the portable and theater - There is a request to have the swing gates to be more accessible when needed. A member has mentioned that the previous Principal has already looked into this and the district cannot change it per CCSD guidelines.

Information

1. Quarter 3 Ends 3/8/2024
2. Spring Break - March 11-15
3. Next Regular Meeting: April 9, 2024
4. Calendar of Upcoming Events: <https://www.knudsonms.org/>
5. Testing Update - SBAC ; ELA for all grade April 8-12 ; Math - all grades - April 15-19 ; Science - 8th only - April 23-25
6. 8th Grade awards - May 15

Public Comment Period (2 minutes maximum allotted)

**Due to privacy laws, we cannot discuss questions regarding individual students. We ask that you address these types of questions and/or concerns with administrators after the meeting.*

Adjourn : 4:45 p.m.