

#### KENMORE WEST MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 20, 2021

Attendees: Kim Little, Rebecca Kiel (Board members), Trevor Brown (Assistant Principal), Kevin Day (Faculty), Chris Cavarello, Ellie Malkiewicz, Amy Fusani, Jennifer Morrow

I. Welcome & Introductions: Kim Little

- II. Faulty Report: Kevin Day Engineering/ Technology Department Chair
  - Gave us information about KenTon Career Academies (Computer Networking & Technology; Information Technology; Pre-Engineering; and Virtual Enterprise and Finance) check out the link to District website for comprehensive information https://www.ktufsd.org/page/158
  - Excited because they added 6 new engineering classes thankful for the tremendous District support
  - Students can take classes at any time they don't have to start the track early
  - CTE provides a bridge between school & being a student to being an employee in the workforce
  - Students are taught technical/educational skills as well as personal/real life experience skills (i.e. eye contact, face to face communication, putting your phone away)
  - Students have the ability to take field trips to get more experience
  - Students have the ability to get internships and college credit
  - 2 students came & spoke about their experience they have grown as students and learned problem solving, enjoy their classes and the experiences and work that aren't just the traditional classroom

#### III. Vice Principal Report: Trevor Brown

- Happy to be at West
- Homecoming Activities: Powderpuff, Bonfire, Float Decorating/Parade, Game & Dance) football game will be televised on a MeTV channel
- Thursday will be having another Blue Devil Connection Day
- Course signup will be coming soon, beginning in January look for elective information next month
- Old sign has been taken down, new electronic sign will be installed soon first they have to trench for the power & data lines
- Challenge/Interact Club held a pumpkin auction (students decorated pumpkins) with proceeds going to Children's Hospital they will be holding a wreath auction coming soon (proceed recipient TBA) looking for leads on donations for wreath building supplies

## IV. **Treasurer Report**: Kim Little

- Anne Binga (treasurer) unable to come to meeting but sent the information
- Currently have balance of @ \$4,131.30, all checks have been cashed
- Collected \$280 in HSA memberships (15 families, 7 staff)

## V. HSA Updates

- Thank you to everyone that signed up to bring Homecoming Breakfast donations
- Have tallied the responses from the staff about what they would like for the Teacher Supply Closet will be coming to school soon to do inventory of what we have, distribute and see what else we need
- Jessica Brumbaugh agreed to Chair Staff Appreciation

### VI. Questions/Concerns

- Many noticed that parent/guardian attendance at Meet the Teacher night was not great
- School received compliments of format (going through students schedule) most did like this but it was hard with more than one student
- Liked format because you heard about that specific class, not other classes taught by that teacher
- Admin will look at how to get more participation and attendance which is the main goal and will look at format used this year but also virtual format from last year to possibly come up with some sort of hybrid
- Looking at non traditional ways to engage parents and incorporate some of the good that happened virtually last year
- Five week report card was not an actual, generated report like in previous years was more of a reminder to check grades so no one will be surprised with 1st Quarter report cards
- District will be transitioning from using Google Classroom to Canvas within 2 years some classes are using Canvas now
- Discussion about Booster Clubs and what oversight/dictates school or the District has over how they hold fundraisers
- ? about sports team uniforms athletic department has rotating budget for basic uniforms, extras are bought and/or provided by Booster Clubs, parents

# VII. **Adjournment**: 8:15 pm

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