

KGES SDMC MEETING

Date: Thursday, May 25, 2023 Time: 3:30 pm – 4:00 pm Facilitator: Mr. M. Collins, Principal

SDMC Member attendance:

Marques Collins, Principal Simone Hall, Teacher Tameka Hornsby, Teacher Specialist Altoya Robertson, Teacher Yolanda Dailey, Teacher Anna Quiroz, Administrative Assistant Huey Wilson German, Community Member Kenneth Williams, Business Partner

Welcome & Member Introduction

Mr. Collins began the meeting at 3:30 pm. He welcomed the community members and SDMC members and opened the floor for introductions.

I. KGES Enrollment Projection 2023-2024

Mr. Collins explained that our enrollment projection for the 2023-2024 school year has increased from 365 to 385. He increased the projected enrollment by 20 students due to the enrollment of Pre-K 3 students and the many magnet applications in the School Choice Portal. Mr. Collins informed the committee that he has had conversations with Ms. Kirkman, the owner of Community Partners (a daycare service that is located on campus) that she has to continue with the agreement that she will only have toddler to two-year-olds enrolled in her daycare and all Pre-K 3 students are to enroll at KGES. Mr. Collins added that Ms. Kirkman made it known that three-year-olds enrolled at her daycare can also be accounted for at KGES. Mr. Collins did not agree. More detail to be communicated after confirming Community Partners and KGES partnership.

II. Teacher Recruitment

Mr. Collins informed that committee that we are fully staffed. We have hired six new teachers and an Assistant Principal, Lameika Walker. Mr. Collins invited the committee members to stop by to meet her on June 5th.

III. 2023-2024 School Year Absorbing SPED BSC

During the 2023-2024 the SPED BSC students from Cook Elementary will be moved to KGES. We will gain two new students from different locations and will have seven students' total. The purpose of this absorption is to prevent other life skill classes on the campus as we already have PALS program.

IV. End of Year

Mr. Collins informed the committee that the last day of school for students is Wednesday, May 31, 2023 and the last day for teachers is June 1, 2023. Summer school to training and preparation to begin June 2nd at Cook.

Mr. Downey stated that there was a community meeting at Kashmere High School where they shared that 700 trees were planted in the community between Cavalcade and Hirsch median.

V. Awards Week Debrief

This week at the Gardens we hosted an awards day ceremony for all grade levels. Mr. Collins mentioned that he received many messages and accolades thanking him for allowing a day to recognize and celebrate their students.

VI. Summer School

Summer school begins on Tuesday, June 6, 2023, and end on Monday, July 3, 2023. Summer school will be held at Cook Elementary. A bus will be provided to provide transportation from KGES to Cook. Juneteenth is a district observed holiday.

VII. Committee Member and Community Member Updates

Ms. Huey provided community updates.

- Community cleanup on June 10th at Trinity Garden Church from 8am to 11am.
- Juneteenth Celebration at Trinity Garden Park, there will be games and working on food.

Ms. Huey informed the committee that there was an unveiling of the Adopt A Stop at Kashmere High School designed by a Kashmere High School student. The student, Tiana, that designed the stop was a former student of KGES art teacher, Ms. Hall. Ms. Huey asked if Ms. Hall would like to participate in an Adopt a Stop, Collins and Hall agreed. Will be a great opportunity for KGES students and community.

Ms. Williams added that Tiana, a 9th grade student, has her hands in two other projects. Ms. Huey stated that it is good when we keep our students in this community/feeder pattern.

VIII. Question/Updates

Mr. Collins reminded Mr. Williams about a conversation at a previous meeting at Page to have one big event for all the schools in the feeder pattern. Mr. Williams responded and said yes, they will try and put it together for the beginning of the next school year.

Mr. Collins asked that SDMC members stay vigilant in communicating any community updates. Ms. Huey agreed and thanked Mr. Collins and the committee for always being transparent and keeping them in the loop about what's going on campus and in the community.

Meeting adjourned at 3: 45 pm