

Kanu o ka 'Āina New Century Public Charter School
Governing Board
MINUTES
Tuesday, January 10, 2023, 4:00 PM
Virtual Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 851 4257 1853

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Call to Order / Determine Quorum

Attendance: WD Keomailani, Kanani, John, Steve, Naomi, Randy (Quorum is met)

Guests: Tafi, Kanoa, Nicole, Keomailani, Kamaka, PJ

Assignments

Time-Keeper - Steve

Evaluator - Naomi

Pule and Welcome: Keomailani led E Ho Mai (chants/pule were made available to Board members in the Zoom chat)

Public Testimony on agendized items - none

Consent Agenda -Approval of Agenda and Previous Month's Minutes

A motion to approve the agenda of 1/10/23 and the minutes of 12/18/22 as corrected was made by John, seconded by Randy and approved unanimously.

Additions to the agenda – none

Review of the minutes – A correction to the motion to approve the financial report (in the minutes of 12/18/22) should read motion to “accept” the financial report (change “approve” to “accept”).

Financial Report and Acceptance

Reports:

1. Revenue Report (Nov 2022)
The Geer grant is complete.
IDEA is in other revenue (In recent years travel for IDEA have not been approved).
2. Kalo Store Report (Nov 2022)
3. Balance Sheet Summary (Nov 2022)
4. Year to Date Actual to Budget Detail (Nov 2022)
4200 – underperforming due to impact aide
4400 – special education – underperforming due to impact aide
Collective Bargaining increases have not been received
Expenditures to student transportation is low because not much travel is happening
Everything else is on track.
5. Cash Flow Statement (Nov 2022)

Question: What is the latest update on the new vans?

The buses were expected at the beginning of November 2022.

Originally, Kanu wanted to order 6 buses, however four buses were actually ordered.

No updates have been received for quite a while. Taffi will follow-up.

Board members are concerned with the length of time that it is taking to purchase the vans. It is important to have safe vans for the students. The Kauhale Po'o Kumu assured the Board that the present vans are being maintained and are safe for use. The older buses are used for huaka'i in Waimea town.

A motion to accept the financial report was made by Steve, seconded by Randy and approved unanimously.

Business Manager's Report

Regarding the WASC accreditation report:

1. Who will do the writing?
2. This report is due on 2/20/23
3. The mid-cycle progress report (pg 22 and 24-25) prioritized an annual Board retreat. We need to provide evidence from 2017 – for the original goals and then the midterm goals.
4. Set up the AdHoc Accreditation committee (John, WD Keōmailani, and Naomi - Chair) to review the Board section. Taffi will assist by sending the framework. We will need evidence of the Board retreat.
5. Meeting date: January 23rd at 4pm

Ethics commission training is a virtual training. Taffi sent a power point to the Board members. This should be completed within 2023. Try to get it done by the end of June..

Leadership Team Reports

School Wide Leadership Update

- Team is working on the contract renewal presentation that includes the school's cultural foundation, honing in on the success of nā haumana, sharing the uniqueness of Kanu and looking at the future of the program.
- Drafting of accreditation self study has begun.
- The leadership team met with the WASC chair on 1/9.
- Student enrollment and re-enrollment has begun.
- Haumana awards are school wide and based on cultural values and GPA.
- The Festival of Giving was a nice event for the community and kula.

Kauhale Campus Program

Elementary

- Elemental influences provide opportunities for Piko and class lessons.
- Focuses on community stewardship are ongoing.
- LLI intervention groups are continuous.
- Need a grade 5 EA immediately and a kindergarten EA for next school year.
- Continue to investigate a new Math program for student growth

Middle/Secondary

- J Kauahi, a Kanu junior, has completed her Associates degree through Windward CC.
- Kanu has hired a certified 'Ōlelo Hawai'i kumu for MS and HS.
- Middle School's first semester kuahu ceremony was completed.
- Two HS students completed Math 100 virtual classes through UHHilo. Their recent Iready test scores placed them at lower grade levels. Looking into these inconsistencies.

Ka 'Ohā Virtual Program

- There are more opportunities per week for students to be outdoors.
- High school kumu will meet on O'ahu in 1/23-1/24.
- Securing a new community partnership with Hawaiian Legacy Reforestation Initiative
- Remote testing requires a certain bandwidth to facilitate testing at home. Exploring sites on different islands for haumana to use for testing.

Questions:

Do we have a firearms policy (because we will have legal carry in Hawai'i soon). Currently, it is federally prohibited to carry a weapon within a certain number of yards from schools. Kanu should have a policy (and also make sure that it does not conflict w/ Chapter 19). Let's make the statement as a Board because we value our haumana and staff.

Committees

Academic Committee - none

Finance Committee - none

Governance Committee - none

Evaluation Committee (ad Hoc) - none

Standing Executive Session

A motion to enter Executive Session in order to discuss kumu staff and/or haumāna issues was made by Steve, seconded by WD Keomailani and approved unanimously.

A motion to exit the Executive Session was made by Randy, seconded by Steve and approved unanimously.

Old Business - none

New Business - none

Evaluator Comments -

The Accreditation Committee will meet on the 23rd of January
Vans were discussed with hopes that Kanu will have new vans soon.
Chants and Pule are accessible on the Kanu website.

Closing pule / mana‘o – Mahalo for everyone attending the meeting today.

Adjournment /Closing

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by WD Keōmailani Case, seconded John and approved unanimously.

Next Meeting Date: February 14, 2023, 4PM

Recap of Motions:

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Submitted by:

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