

Kanu o ka 'Āina New Century Public Charter School  
Governing Board  
MINUTES  
Tuesday, February 14, 2023, 4:00 PM  
Virtual Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 810 5718 8694

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**Call to Order / Determine Quorum**

Attendance: WD Keomailani, Naomi Tachera, John Colson, Steve Hurwitz, Randy Vitousek, Kanani Kapuniaia  
Guests: Kanoa Castro, Taffi Wise, Keomailani Case, Nicole Ryan, PJ Foehr

**Assignments**

Time-Keeper: Steve

Evaluator: John

**Pule and Welcome:** Nā 'Aumākua - Kanoa

**Public Testimony on agendized items** - none

**Consent Agenda**

Approval of Agenda and Previous Month's Minutes

A motion to approve the agenda of 2/14/23 and minutes of 1/10/23 was made by John, seconded by Steve and approved unanimously.

**Financial Report and Acceptance**

Reports:

1. Revenue Report (Dec 2022)
2. Kalo Store Report (Dec 2022)
3. Balance Sheet Summary (Dec 2022)
4. Year to Date Actual to Budget Detail (Dec 2022)
5. Cash Flow Statement (Dec 2022)

- A few variance percentages are below level due to timing.
- \$171,352 is the remainder of the Geer Grant. This is already accounted for in the salaries of the two Geer staff.
- At the next meeting Taf will present the Board with a request to disburse two buckets of money, Hawaiian language and Compression. We will be fronting this cost. This money needs to be spent.
- Areas where we significantly underspent: transportation, professional development and classroom instructional technology

Other Information shared:

- o Ford has not started to build the vans that were ordered.
- o Legislative bill is claiming that Charters are double dipping.

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

**Business Manager's Report**

Malamapoki'i is added to the WASC accreditation

**Leadership Team Reports**

School Wide Leadership Update

- Charter contract renewal and accreditation have been time consuming.
- Virtual / Blended reporting was submitted on 11/27.

Kauhale Campus Program

- Implemented kumu PD
- Student led conferences coming up

- Track and Field team competed in Kona
- Advocacy is needed to change community perception of Kanu
- Need school vans

#### Elementary

- HS imu included lessons for Elementary classes
- Goal setting to prepare for conferences
- Mathematics going deeper through Aina based Math
- Social and emotional behaviors have increased. Proactive measures have been implemented: SEL classes, DARE, In School suspensions – holistic instead of punitive, positive messages and values on campus through student presentations

#### Middle/Secondary

- Middle School attended a Career Fair
- Opportunity to visit the capital and meet House and Senate representatives on O‘ahu on 2/16/23.
- Mana mele social media training for students
- Pu‘upulehu – complaint from the area residents – DHHL will cover the removal of the wauke. Will meet after 3/10/23
- 8th grade class groupings are being adjusted.
- Academic and behavioral probation letters have been sent out. Behaviors have escalated. Some students are avoiding work. Other students don‘t want to be at Kanu and their parents feel that this is where they should be. Some of the indifference could be due to mimicking home behaviors.  
Question: How are the teachers managing the classroom behaviors? Some kumu go to the Po‘okumu or the KLP team.

#### Ka ‘Ohā Virtual Program

- 90 % of virtual students want to re enroll
- HS meeting for kumu on O‘ahu
- 28% of HS students failed one or more class (need for credit recovery)
- Staff will attend Ku‘i ka Lono

#### **Committees**

Academic Committee - none

Finance Committee - none

Governance Committee - none

Evaluation Committee (ad Hoc) - none

Ad Hoc Accreditation Committee – met on 2/9/23 to discuss the WASC Accreditation report

#### **Standing Executive Session**

A motion to enter Executive Session to discuss staff and/or student concerns was made by Randy, seconded by Kanani and approved unanimously.

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

#### **Old Business** - none

**New Business** - Mahalo to all leadership for their work on the contract renewal.

**Evaluator Comments** - WASC has been a lot of work. The faculty need to know what is in the report. WAM is still not supportive of Charters. Potential enrollment looks good.

#### **Closing pule / mana‘o**

#### **Adjournment /Closing**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Steve, seconded by Kanani and approved unanimously.

**Next Meeting Date:** April 11, 2023, 4PM

#### **Recap of Motions:**

A motion to approve the agenda of 2/14/23 and minutes of 1/10/23 was made by John, seconded by Steve and approved unanimously.

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

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Steve, seconded by Kanani and approved unanimously.

Submitted by:

WD Keōmailani Case  
Secretary  
Kanu o ka 'Āina Governing Board