

**Kuemper Catholic School System
Board of Education Minutes
August 21, 2018**

The August meeting of the Kuemper Catholic School Board was called to order by Chairman, Jair Mayhall, on Tuesday, August 21 at 4:00 p.m. in the KHS Library. The meeting was opened with the school board prayer.

Members present included: Jair Mayhall, Tom Brincks, Dr. John Evans, Cam Janson, Fr. Kevin Richter, Fr. Randy Schon, Mike Sibbel, Fr. Mark Stoll, Kristin Vonnahme and Gary Wiskus.

New members Tom Brincks, Gary Wiskus and Fr. Randy Schon were welcomed to the Board.

Also present were President, John Steffes; administrators Pete Haefs, Ted Garringer and Kathi Milligan.

An Opportunity for Public Input was extended with no one present.

Board Membership for 2018-2019 – Election of Officers

The floor was open to nominations for Chairman and Vice Chairman. Fr. Mark Stoll made a motion to have Cam Janson as Chairman for the 2018-2019 school year. Mike Sibbel seconded the motion. All ayes. The motion passed. Cam Janson made a motion to have John Evans as Vice Chairman, seconded by Tom Brincks. All ayes. The motion passed.

Jair Mayhall was acknowledged and thanked for his two terms of service on the Board.

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 26th meeting was made by Fr. Kevin Richter and seconded by Kristin Vonnahme. All ayes. The motion passed.

Bright Knight Moments

Board members shared various positive activities happening throughout Kuemper.

Administrator and Staff Reports:

Administrative Reports – Written reports were submitted by Pete Haefs, Ted Garringer, Kathi Milligan and Ryan Isgrig.

Marketing & Enrollment Management

In Susie Hulst's written report she stated that walk in registration for 2018-19 was August 1st. Family Fun Knight open house and picnic was Tuesday, August 21st. The first day of school is Thursday, August 23rd. The Marketing Committee started a Parent Volunteer Campaign.

Development/Fundraising – Foundation

Sharon Olerich's written report stated Kuemper's goal for 2018 for the Msgr. Lafferty Tuition Foundation is \$566,870 with \$233,209 raised at this time. All *Eternal Knights* were invited to a baseball game grill out. Iowa 529 Savings Plan information was given to the Board.

Finance & Budget

The Board received the general fund income and expense for June and the 2017-2018 Working Fiscal Year Budget from the Business Office.

Committee Reports:

A. Committee Meeting Minutes

1. Leadership & Governance – July 31

- Policy Manual By-Laws & KCSS Policy 5145.3a

John Evans made a motion to approve the 1st Reading of the revised Policy Manual By-Laws and the new KCSS Policy 5145.3a, seconded by Gary Wiskus. All ayes. The motion passed.

2. Academic Excellence – August 7

John Evans made a motion to add the following three Long Range Planning goals to the Academic Excellence goals:

- Be strategic as a school on how to recruit, develop, and retain high quality staff with high expectations.
- Formal assessment of all academic progress at Kuemper with focus on continuous improvement with communication to stakeholders
- Investigate the option of an “Academic Director”

Tom Brincks seconded the motion. All ayes. The motion passed.

3. Marketing & Enrollment Management – August 13

Kristin Vonnahme reported on the committee’s plans for the Family Fun Knight back to school picnic. The Parent Volunteer Campaign was also discussed.

The next Marketing meeting is Monday, October 22 at 5:00 p.m.

New Business:

A. Wellness Policy

Gary Wiskus made a motion to approve the recommended Wellness Policy, seconded by Mike Sibbel. All ayes. The motion passed.

B. Iowa State Student Teacher Agreement

Fr. Kevin Richter made a motion to approve the Student Teacher Agreement with Iowa State University. John Evans seconded the motion. All ayes. The motion passed.

C. Handbook Revisions

– Employee Handbook

John Evans made a motion to approve the recommended revisions to the Employee Handbook, seconded by Kristin Vonnahme. All ayes. The motion passed.

Personnel

A. New Hires

Brooklyn Schamens – Grade 1

Joleen Sanders – Food Service

Deb Pieper – Food Service - Substitute

Kim Miller - Secretary

Fr. Mark Stoll made a motion to adjourn at 5:18 p.m., seconded by John Evans. All ayes. The motion passed.

Fr. Kevin Richter led the closing prayer.

The next regular meeting along with Board orientation will be Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. at the former St. Bernard school in Breda.

The remaining meetings for 2018-2019 will be the 3rd Tuesday of the month: October 16, November 20, December 18, January 15, February 19, March 19, April 16, May 21 and June 18.

Respectfully submitted,

John Steffes
President

Joanie Buelt
Recording Secretary