

**Kuemper Catholic School System**  
**Board of Education Minutes**  
**April 16, 2019**

The April meeting of the Kuemper Catholic School Board was called to order by Chairman, Cam Janson, on Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. in the KHS high school library. The meeting was opened with the school board prayer.

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

Also present were President, John Steffes; administrators Ted Garringer and Kathi Milligan; business manager, Kris Collison; teacher representatives, Jen Tiefenthaler, K-5 and Kate Tomasziewicz, 6-12.

An Opportunity for Public Input was extended.

Motion to approve the minutes of the March 19 & March 26, 2019 meetings was made by John Evans and seconded by Fr. Kevin Richter. 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 the current enrollment is 1,152. Susie continues to give tours to interested families. Families from Sac City would like to see a bus come to Sac City again. St. Rose of Lima from Denison students attended a Shadow Day this week. Susie is promoting the Kuemper Ball per guidance of the Prenger Solution Group.

Alumni/Annual Giving

Cindy Lawler stated in her written report that the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Friends of Kuemper Ball is Saturday, April 27, 2019 at the Kuemper Fieldhouse. Plans are underway for Des Moines and Omaha area alumni gatherings in May and August.

Development/Fundraising – Foundation

Sharon Olerich's written report stated that Kuemper's goal for the 2019 Msgr. Lafferty Tuition Foundation is \$646,207. At this time \$68,250 has been collected through a mailing to all past donors. All *Eternal Knights* were invited to attend the spring musical and will be invited to a Baseball Grill-Out in June.

Finance & Budget

Kris Collison reviewed the general fund income and expenses for March and the 2018-2019 Working Fiscal Year Budget.

**Committee Reports:**

A. Committee Meeting Minutes

1. Buildings & Grounds – April 10

Steve Wiederin reviewed the bids for new siding on the south side of KHS with the committee with both contractors using Schroeders siding. Gary Wiskus made a motion to accept the recommended Bid #1 for the siding, seconded by Tom Brincks. All ayes. The motion passed.

Plans to move (exchanging the 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> with 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>) will possibly start June 27 – July 3 with volunteers. Used turf that is already purchased will be installed right after school is out at the Holy Spirit Center. Todd Grossman and Marty Steffes will lead the project. Gary Wiskus is looking into fencing at St. Lawrence Center for the green space. Activities Director Ryan Isgrig recommended keeping the weightroom at its current location vs. the fieldhouse. John Steffes will contact Pella Foundation regarding a gift for the west KHS windows.

**Old Business:**

1. Housing of Grades Report – Ted Garringer

Ted Garringer gave an update on the plans to move (exchanging the 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> with 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grades) will possibly start June 27 – July 3 with student volunteers. The Implementation Committee is beginning to have meetings.

**New Business:**

- A. 2019-2020 School Calendar - Draft

Tom Brincks made a motion to approve the recommended 2019-2020 Calendar with the amendment of possibly moving the August 22, 2019 Professional Development day for teachers to May 27, 2020. Gary Wiskus seconded the motion. All ayes. The motion passed.

- B. Theology of the Body Book

John Evans gave a review of the *Theology of the Body* book by Jason Evert that each Board member received.

- C. Board Meeting Schedule for 2019-2020

The dates of the 2019-2020 Board meetings with a 4:00 start time was given to the Board. Board Orientation/Retreat is scheduled for Tuesday, September 17, 2019 in Templeton. Superintendent, Patty Lansink will lead the orientation.

**Personnel**

Resignations

1. Carla Schaefer
2. Tanner Warrington
3. Ryan Isgrig
4. Stephannie Isgrig
5. Julie Willenborg
6. Nancy Peterman
7. Mary Jane Eischeid

Fr. Kevin Richter made a motion to go into Executive Session at 4:52 p.m., seconded by Tom Brincks. The motion passed.

Gary Wiskus made a motion to go out of Executive Session and back into regular session at 5:35 p.m., seconded by Fr. Mark Stoll. The motion passed.

Fr. Mark Stoll led the closing prayer.

Fr. Mark Stoll made a motion to adjourn at 5:37 p.m., seconded by Gary Wiskus.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. in the KHS library.

Respectfully submitted,  
John Steffes  
President

Joanie Buelt  
Recording Secretary