

Kahnawà:ke Combined Schools Committee TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2023 MONTHLY MEETING UPDATE

Kahnawà:ke Combined Schools Committee (KCSC) Members in Attendance:

1. Tahothoratie Cross (Chairperson, Post-Secondary Rep), 2. Marnie Jacobs (KSS Rep), 3. Clint Goodleaf (Karonhianónhnha School Rep), 4. Lily Deer (Community Rep), 5. Shyann White (Treasurer, General Outside Schools Rep), 6. Chelsea Lahache (Secretary, Kateri School Rep), 7. Silver-Jade Montour (General Outside Schools Rep) (departed at 7:30pm), and; 8. Amanda Rice-Leblanc (KSS Rep).

Regrets: 1. Christine Regis (Kateri School Rep), 2. Kimberly Cross-Zacharie (Karonhianónhnha School Rep), 3. Lynne Norton (Interim Vice-Chairperson, Longhouse on the 207 Rep), and; 4. Shona'tsó:wane Diabo (Temporary Mohawk Trail Longhouse Rep).

Also in Attendance:

1. Robin Delaronde (KEC Director of Education), 2. Paul Sohenrise Nicholas (KEC Director of Finance), and; 2. Jerilyn Horn-Montour (KCSC Administrative Assistant/Minute Taker).

Start Time: 6:15pm Adjourned: 9:01pm

The Draft 2023/2024 KEC School Calendar

The Director of Education shared the draft 2023/2024 KEC School Calendar and the guidelines/criteria that need to be followed when drafting a school calendar with the KCSC. The KCSC approved the draft 2023/2023 KEC School Calendar as provided at this meeting.

The KEC Calendar Committee consists of teacher representatives from the three KEC schools, the three school administrators and two KCSC representatives (Marnie Jacobs and Shyann White).

Draft KEC Credit Card Policy

The Director of Finance and Administration shared the draft KEC Credit Card Policy with the KCSC for their review and approval. Two minor amendments were requested by the KCSC followed by their approval and signature of the Resolution for the Ratification of the March 21, 2023 KEC Credit Card Policy #2023-03-21.

KEC Kanien'kéha Proficiency Coach

The KCSC members in attendance of this meeting accepted the recommendation to publicly post for an indeterminate KEC Kanien'kéha Proficiency Coach. The main responsibility of the position will focus on Kanien'kéha Language Assessment (To maintain current practices in second language assessment for adult second language learners and to conduct Oral Proficiency Interviews (OPI) in the Kanien'kéha language with Karonhianonhnha, KSS and Kateri School staff).

KEC Continuous Improvement

The Director of Education prepared and shared a KEC Continuous Improvement Data Report with the KCSC. Infographics displaying student absences from September 1, 2022 to March 17, 2023 (percentages only) per school per grade were highlighted in the report. The data in the report demonstrates that student attendance matters and absences add up.

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KEC School Climate Assessment

Christie Huff (Organizational Learning & Development Consultant) & Carrie Brisson (KEC Student Services & Family Engagement Coordinator) joined this meeting as guest speakers to provide a brief presentation on the KEC School Climate Assessment they will be conducting soon. They noted that their assessment outreach will include parents, educators, and students from the three KEC schools.

The KCSC will meet with Christie and Carrie again on Monday, March 27th for a lunch meeting to review and approve the Survey Monkey questions (for the parents) that will be used for that portion of the KEC School Climate Assessment.

Confirmation of Next KCSC Monthly Meeting

The next KCSC Monthly Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 18th, 2023 at 6pm via Zoom.