



Kahnawà:ke Combined Schools Committee

TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023 MONTHLY MEETING UPDATE

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

1. Marnie Jacobs (KSS Rep), 2. Clint Goodleaf (Karonhianónhnha School Rep), 3. Lily Deer (Community Rep), 4. Shyann White (Treasurer, General Outside Schools Rep), 5. Shona'tsó: wane Diabo (Temporary Mohawk Trail Longhouse Rep), 6. Kimberly Cross-Zacharie (Karonhianónhnha School Rep), 7. Chelsea Lahache (Secretary, Kateri School Rep), 8. Lynne Norton (Interim Vice-Chairperson, Longhouse on the 207 Rep), and; 9. Christine Regis (Kateri School Rep).

Regrets: 1. Silver-Jade Montour (General Outside Schools Rep), 2. Tahothoratie Cross (Chairperson, Post-Secondary Rep), and; 3. Amanda Rice-Leblanc (KSS 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).

Lynne Norton chaired this meeting as Tahothoratie Cross was not in attendance.

Start Time: 6:03pm

Adjourned: 8:50pm

2023/2024 Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)

The KEC Director of Finance and Administration (DFA) presented a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) Analysis for the 2023/2024 School Year Briefing Note to the committee for their review and approval. The DFA explained that the approval of the COLA will help ensure salary grids remain current with the increase in inflation as reflected in the consumer price index (CPI). Two options were summarized in the COLA briefing: Option 1: Fiscal Year CPI Average, and; Option 2: Calendar Year CPI Average. The DFA recommended option 1. The KCSC members in attendance of this meeting approved to apply Option 1: Fiscal Year CPI Average - a 3.3% increase for the 2023/2024 salary grids.

First Nations Education Council - Regional Education Agreement (REA)

The Director of Education shared and reviewed the First Nations Education Council (FNEC) Regional Education Agreement May 2, 2023 General Assembly PowerPoint with the KCSC for their information.

Draft Post-Secondary Student Support Program Policy review

The KEC Director of Finance and Administration (DFA), the KEC Policy Writer and the KEC Post-Secondary team reviewed the March 12, 2021 policy (which is close to 50-pages long) and condensed it to a smaller more reasonable policy (approximately 20-pages now). A procedural manual will now accompany the new policy. An annex will be included in the new policy that will focus on areas associated with the KEC overall budget, such as Tuition review, Allowance review, Incentive review, and; Eligible cost review.



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Draft Constitution & By-Laws and Kahnawà:ke Education Responsibility Act (KERA)

The KCSC continue to review the list of follow-up and outstanding questions from the draft Constitution & By-Laws and Kahnawà:ke Education Responsibility Act (KERA) that were compiled from the KCSC Legislation Ad Hoc Committee review meetings.

General (Outside Schools) Representative on the KCSC

A promo flyer announcing the one General (Outside Schools) seat vacancy on the KCSC was publicly circulated on Friday, April 21. Interested parent(s) were asked to contact the KCSC Administrative Assistant by 4pm, Friday, May 5th.

A decision regarding this file was deferred until the June KCSC Monthly Meeting.

As per Section 4.3.4 (Member No Longer Eligible) (page 45) of the KCSC Governance Procedural Manual, ratified on June 25, 2018, Silver-Jade can remain on the Kahnawà:ke Combined Schools Committee (KCSC) until the position is officially filled by election or until the next Annual General Assembly (AGA).

Confirmation of Next KCSC Monthly Meeting

The next KCSC Monthly Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 13th, 2023 at 6pm via Zoom.

KCSC Special Meeting

A KCSC Special Meeting requiring quorum of the KCSC members is scheduled for Thursday, May 25, 2023 from 12-1pm via Zoom.

Agenda

1. 12:00-12:15pm

Indeterminate Positions (Robin Delaronde)

Decision Item

2. 12:15-12:30pm

Strategic Financial Plan (Paul Nicholas)

Decision Item

3. 12:30-1:00pm

Draft Special Education Policy (Carrie Brisson)

Information/Summary/Review