

Minutes for Ke'elikōlani Middle School Community Council

Date: 12/9/2025

Call to Order: 3:02 pm

Participants: Noelani Takayesu (Certificated Staff), Brandon Galarita (Certificated Staff), Kristein Ono (VP), Nathan Davis (VP), Cary Miyashiro (Community), Philip Barr (Parent), Leihali'a Harper (SGA 7th Grade Treasurer), Mikee Tupil (SGA 7th Grade Secretary), Nicky Huang (SGA 8th Grade Representative), Lauren Peiler (Community Schools Coordinator)
Absent: Principal Joe Passantino (Principal), Allen Kauhi Jr. (Classified)

Topic/Discussion	Action and/or Significant Points of Discussion	Responsibility
Introduction of Members and Roles	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Members and attendees were introduced	Noelani Takayesu
Approve Minutes of Meeting dated September 23, 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Cary Miyashiro motioned to approve the minutes. Mikee seconds the motion.	All
Financial Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Tabled until Q3 meeting.Principal Passantino shared information about the FP in a recent faculty meeting.	Principal Passantino
Strive HI results	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Proficiency Results<ul style="list-style-type: none">ELA: 40%Math: 24%Science: 33%Attendance Rates<ul style="list-style-type: none">73% attend 90% of all instructional days (below state average)Growth Rates are typical or better growth<ul style="list-style-type: none">Math: 59% (state avg 60%)ELA: 59% (state avg 61%)Achievement Gap (The gap of achievement between high needs and non-high needs students)<ul style="list-style-type: none">ELA: 49%Math: 37%	Principal Passantino (VP Ono shared)
2025-2026, & 2026-2027 Enrollment Projections	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Principal Passantino to share additional details in the Q3 meeting.Renovations of Mayor Wright housing are expected to impact future projections.Current enrollment SY25/26 (404 students as of 12/9/2025)	Principal Passantino
Waiver Day Requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Waiver Day requests for additional professional development for students to build skills, collaborate, and strengthen the systems that help solidify the systems to support student achievement and teacher instruction. Specific days will be determined by administration.. In years past, all faculty and staff have attended the AMLE conference in February. One waiver day is for the attendance of the conference and the second day is for teachers to share their learnings and collaborate for implementation in	Principal Passantino (Noelani Takayesu shared)

	<p>classrooms.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The waiver day request was put to a vote to the SCC. All members were in favor with 10 ayes and zero noes. 	
School Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Official Letter end of September to exit CSI received from Superintendent Hayashi ● All subjects are carrying out the standards mastery assessments to determine student proficiency as compared ● New literacy coach position (through EL Coordinator) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Social Studies and ELL teachers co-teach to support literacy of ELLs ● Extra-Curriculars <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sports programs are improving, including basketball and soccer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ An interscholastic soccer match was held between Keelikolani and Aikahi Elementary at Ke'elikolani Middle. Ke'elikolani won after coming back from a 2-0 deficit and winning in penalty kicks. Nearly the entire student body cheered on the soccer players and the Ke'elikolani band played pep tunes to hype up the players and spectators. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Grade check and behavior checks are expected of all athletes ○ Saturday School for Math 8:30-11am. ● The school is working on the Comprehensive Needs Assessment, which leads into crafting the Academic Plan. ● Fundraising Gala in February ● Five students will compete in the Amazing Shake competition in Atlanta Georgia in March. ● Science Fair - 10 projects are moving to the district level. ● Seven students will be going to Japan for the Japan's club 2nd trip to Shirahama, Japan ● Community Performances <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bulldog beats ○ Music performances, parades, in the neighborhood. ● Morning Bus Service to Mayor Wright and Waena Apartments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Admin and teachers drive to the neighborhood to pick up students to increase attendance, community familiarity, and build strong family-school relationships. ○ Consistent use of the service by students ● Family Resource Center <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Food pantry extended to feeder schools. ○ The FRC is finding ways to reach families that have not used the FRC. ○ Community Hui (group) was created by Lauren P that includes staff, admin, faculty, student representatives, parents, community action plan in the early stages to 	Principal Passantino / Ono

	support student attendance, academic environment, and family engagement	
SGA Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently in process: SGA students are creating an image of the school logo using legos. The logo will be displayed at the Bishop Museum. Spirit Week: Students can wear various clothes for each day of the week, including favorite christmas shirt, anything but a backpack day, red and green, cozy sleepwear, and winter wonderland attire. Pep Rally to be held the last week of Q2. Christmas Candygrams are sold for 20 bulldog bucks during recess that will be delivered to students on the last day of the quarter. Faculty Meeting refreshments: SGA will be serving assorted cakes and pies at the meeting and will be playing two games. 	Student Government
Community Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Barr shared that many students are attending his ministry small group events. A large number of students from Ke'elikolani Middle and feeder-school Kauluwela attend. Planning a weekend event in Early 2026 with other community church partners. Mr. Miyashiro - Currently working with Waikele Elementary which is the first elementary school in the nation to be identified as a NCAC school. An event is being held by Waikele Elementary on Jan 12 1:30-2:30 who will be presenting about their achievement. 	Community Members
Additional Comments and Concerns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 	All

Adjournment Time: 3:33 PM

Recorder/Secretary: Brandon Galarita