

Minutes for Ke'elikōlani Middle School Community Council

Date: December 14th, 2023

Call to Order: 3:13 pm

Participants: Noelani Takayesu (Certificated Staff), Brandon Galarita (Certificated Staff), Joseph Passantino (Principal), Eddianne Kalamau (Classified Staff), Cary Miyashiro (Community), Diane Martinson (Community Representative), Philip Barr (Parent Representative), Peyton Tajiri (Student Government), Sabrina Carillo (Student Government), Daphne Bagara (Student Government)

Absent:

| Topic/Discussion | Action and/or Significant Points of Discussion | Responsibility |
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| Approve Minutes of Meeting dated Oct 3, 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Principal Passantino moves to approve the minutes. Cary Miyashiro seconds the motion. Hearing no objections, the motion was approved. | All |
| Financial Plan | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Principal Passantino shared the financial plan for SY24/25. The financial plan includes the dollars provided to a school which pays for all teachers and faculty. ● SY23/24, the school was provided \$2,309,647 from the WSF and \$206,603 from SPED PPA. In SY 24/25, \$2,486,206 and \$740,561 respectively. | Principal Passantino |
| Strive HI results | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Principal Passantino shared the Hawaii State StriveHI Results from SY22/23. There was growth year over year in Reading, Math, and Science. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Math scores improved from 13% to 23% ○ Reading scores improved to 36% from 35% ○ Science scores improved from 15% to 21% ● There is currently a vacancy in the 8th Grade Science position, which is filled by a long-term substitute. The search for a full-time position is underway. | Principal Passantino |
| 2022-2023 Enrollment Projections | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The student projection for SY23/24 is 364. ● PRKMS often loses students due to families receiving geographic exemptions from Kawanākoā and Stevenson Middle. ● PRKMS works to retain students who otherwise would seek geographic exemptions by providing tours to incoming elementary schools, highlighting what PRKMS has to offer in education and extracurricular activities. | Principal Passantino |
| SCC Waiver Day Requests | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A waiver day was approved by the SCC in SY22/23 for teachers to attend the HAMLE Conference. ● Cary Miyashiro and Principal Passantino recommended an additional Waiver Day to address mandatory active threat and suicide prevention training. Principal Passantino to prepare required documents. | Principal Passantino |

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| School Updates | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Construction concrete pour to be completed in December, where students will be able to eat outside in a permanent courtyard ● | Principal Passantino |
| SGA Updates | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 5th Grade Feeder School Visits hosted by the SGA ● Checkers Tournament on Fridays during Morning Recess. Students were taught how to play checkers, and compete in a single-elimination tournament. ● Cornhole Tournament planned for Q3 ● Math Madness When students complete all 13 worksheets, students are eligible for a free bento. ● SY23/24 Yearbooks ● SGA is carrying out teacher shout outs from students. Planned shoutouts for counselors, EAs, and Part-Time Staff next quarter. | SGA |
| Additional Comments and Concerns | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● WASC Accreditation - Visit in March. Staff has been working hard to draft our self-assessment report. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Vision and Mission Reviewed by the staff at the beginning of the year. The SCC offered no revisions to the Vision and Mission <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Vision: 'Onipa'a: Faithful, Resilient, and Trustworthy ■ Mission: We, the Princess Ruth Ke'elikolani Middle School Ohana, are dedicated to nurture, inspire, and empower all students to be resilient learners. ● Cary Miyashiro asked if our school currently has a media program. The school initially had a partnership with 'Olelo, though the partnership fizzled out. Having a media program can help further increase geographic exemptions to our school. ● On Friday 5:00 pm, there will be a Christmas Celebration. Performers include Hula Club, Solo Ukulele, Ukulele class, Games and a visit from Santa. ● Atten-DANCE held during afternoon advisory on 12/13/23. The SGA has been tasked to receive feedback from students to offer more incentives that students are interested in. | All |

Adjournment Time: 3:56 pm

Recorder/Secretary: Brandon Galarita