

Ka'ōhao Public Charter School

Minutes of Board Meeting, June 24, 2020 – via Zoom

Board Members Present:

Philip Whitesell, President
Winston Sakurai, School Director
Celia Miner – absent
Espie Chapman
Kim Hanson, Treasurer/Secretary
David Root
Eun Strawser, Vice President
Cynthia Hunter
Brian Canevari – absent
Jim Swieter
Laura Young
Jared Underwood
Jill Oliver

Community Members Present:

Callie Lewis, Scribe
Pua Kaai, Charter School Commission
Christina Millard, KSO
Natasha Skoberla, KSO
Kristi Petosa-Sigel, Art Instructor
Mary Greaney, KSO
Sylvie Rusay, KSO
Kristin Ball, KSO

1. Call to Order and Approval of Minutes of May 27, 2020.

- Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Dr. Strawser.
- Approval of the May Minutes was moved by Ms. Chapman and seconded by Mr. Root. Motion approved with 6 in favor and 3 abstentions.

2. Community Input: Philip Whitesell

- Dr. Whitesell welcomed our new board members, Dr. Jill Oliver, Dr. Jared Underwood, and Ms. Laura Young.

3. Health and Safety Committee Report: Eun Strawser

- Dr. Strawser presented the final safety guidelines that can be used for school operations. Dr. Strawser moved to approve the Health and Safety Guidelines of June 24, 2020 and authorize the School Director to implement such guidelines, with the provision that the Director may modify such guidelines in response to changing conditions. Ms. Chapman seconded. Dr. Hunter suggested an edit to the cloth mask sanitization, suggesting that “clean cloth masks should be worn to school every day.” Dr. Underwood asked about the definition of “underlying medical condition” as it relates to mask wearing. He inquired about the requirements for the medical condition (note from a doctor, parent word, etc.), and if there were alternatives to mask wearing, such as a face shield. Discussion followed without a final determination. Dr. Hunter moved that the Board unanimously approved the guidelines with the amendment. Dr. Strawser seconded. Motion is approved with 9 in favor and 2 abstentions.

4. Director's Report: Winston Sakurai

- The school has reviewed thousands of documents related to school reopening in the past weeks.
- The Student Council won a Certificate of Excellence from the American Student Council Association.
- Ka'ōhao School rated very high in Student Engagement for our distance learning in April and May.
- The staff has been working on the details of school reopening. They have come up with 3 different models: School opening with 1) minimum social distancing, 2) moderate social

distancing, and 3) remote learning. The DOE will be releasing a comparable document to schools on July 1, and it is intended to release to parents on July 8. We anticipate moving our planned start date out by 2 days, to August 4, with the caveat that we don't know when we will be allowed to reopen school. We cannot determine which model will be used because we are still waiting on union negotiations, statewide case counts, and BOE guidance. The Board leaned toward the second or third options as being the most realistic option for the fall. Dr. Whitesell invited the three exiting board members to continue this discussion with us at the July board meeting.

5. New Business:

- None.

6. Adjournment: Members adjourned to closed session at 7:55 PM.

Next Meeting Scheduled for July 22, 2020, 6:00pm via Zoom

Submitted by Callie Lewis, Scribe

Be it resolved that:

- The Board approves the minutes of May 27, 2020.
- The Board approves the amended Health and Safety Guidelines of June 24, 2020 and authorizes the School Director to implement such guidelines, with the provision that the Director may modify such guidelines in response to changing conditions.

In witness thereof, the undersigned members of the Board have duly executed this resolution on June 24, 2020.

Philip Whitesell, Kim Hanson, Espie Chapman, David Root, Eun Strawser, Celia Miner, Cindy Hunter, Jim Swieter, Laura Young, Jared Underwood, Jill Oliver