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GENERAL MEETING- BOARD OF DIRECTORS

February 22, 2022 – Virtual Meeting, 6:00pm

Type of meeting: General Board meeting with Directors and President, open to public.

Facilitator: Julie Franzen (Chair). Board Members: Steve Pope (Vice Chair), Dan Vander Pol (Treasurer), Rick Rosenkranz (Meeting Secretary), Darryl D'Ambrosio. School President: Bruce Kelly. Attendees: David Glass, Don Garnand, Vicki Shultz, Sigrid Jones, Loren Button, Caramel Moore, Marcus Johnson, Michaela DeLorenzo, Laurel Bunker, Brian Ward.

Board Members Absent: Mark Hargrove.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm with opening prayer by Julie Franzen.

Minutes Approval:

Approval of January 2022 General and Executive Minutes. Motion to approve: Dan Vander Pol. Seconded: Julie Franzen. Minutes approved as revised/submitted by unanimous vocal vote.

No other actions or approvals were conducted.

President's Report – Bruce Kelly and School Principals – Don Garnand presenting in Bruce Kelly's absence:

HR – Sigrid Jones reported that the ADP project plan will be provided to relevant staff this week; migration of the payroll process to ADP means RCS will transition to a bi-weekly pay-period.

LPPC – Don Garnand reporting for Carol Meeuwse. Leaky toilets, slightly askew portables and other maintenance issues have been taken care of. Staffing positions might open up as summer approaches.

MVPC –David Glass reported that the preschool will soon have a full contingent of teachers. He is beginning a new afternoon program called Little Explorers.

MVE – David reported that following the sewage backup issue they now have toilets that work again, and he is using the need to replace carpet as a way of also updating the front office. 5th and 6th graders have experienced their first chance at electives in many years, with a choice between choir and yearbook.

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KVE – Don Garnand reported H portable has a new HVAC. They are getting back to many in-person social and fundraising efforts, such as Grandparents/Friends Day, Pancake Breakfast, Scholastic Book Fair and the Fun Run. Open house on March 3rd. KVE needs substitute teachers. Difficult conversations have popped up in the 5th and 6th grades, and Steve Pope and Jodelle Groves will come out to speak to the students.

RCMS – Don Garnand reported for Dave Rehnberg. Pre-ACT for 8th and 9th graders coming up. Mosaic Adaptive Assessments for 7th and 8th grade will help personalize learning maps in ELA. Open house March 17th.

RCMS – Don Garnand reporting for Dave. Senior Trip approved. New courses approved for next year in the Science area, such as Anatomy, Physiology, and the Principles of Biomedical Science. Math teacher Mr. Dunbar is stepping in for Mr. Rians, who is out on medical leave. Open house March 17th.

RCS-wide – Current enrollment end of February '22: 386. (Beginning of year, 8/31/21: 385.)

Athletics – Marcus Johnson reported that Spring sports start soon, with Track and Weightlifting. New coaches are Evan Lally and Sophie Ramey. A 5K Fundraiser will be held in April, replacing the recent summer fundraiser of a Fireworks Stand.

Tech – Loren Button reported that all 125 Chromebooks are in hand, and that Matthew Ahlen is helping to get them provisioned and then out to the various campuses. Networking project is on hold as Loren deals with his own medical issues, which will require surgery and recovery time. In answering a question by Steve Pope, Loren said the goal is to replace Chromebooks 1-for-1 (per student), which would be an increase overall from current inventory.

Parent Michaela DeLorenzo asked if all KVE classrooms were covered by wireless signals out of concern that wireless causes radiation, headaches, and impacts the students in unhealthy ways. She would like campuses to be hard-wired, and asked the Board to consider getting rid of all wireless. Loren said that all classrooms are covered by wireless, and Julie Franzen spoke for the Board in saying that we need to remain wireless to provide the technology expected in a 21st-century education system.

Finances – Don reporting for Al Stever. January 2022 showed a net loss of slightly larger than January 2021. There was no change in PPP loan forgiveness status.



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President's Items – Don Garnand reporting for Bruce Kelly:

- 1) King County Parks has made an offer on 24 acres of the 35 acres we own out at Maple Valley. The offer seems low, so we will enter discussions with them.
- 2) Temperature checks at all campuses will end on February 28, 2022, and masks will become optional on March 21, 2022.
- 3) Higher than normal interest at this time from prospective parents/families in attending RCS schools next year.

Open discussion time with attendees:

- 1) None.

General session closed at 6:45pm with prayer by Don.

Next General Board Meeting: March 29, 2022, 6:00pm – IN-PERSON! Location KVE (and via virtual).