

**KEAAU MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

December 18, 2018 3:00 pm

Location: Principal's Conference Room

- 1) Members of KMS SCC present: Esther Atwell, Lindsey Enanoria, Stan Gapol, Elna Gomes, Karrin Hauanio, Desiree Hoewaa, Alexis Holi, Cheryl Kiefer, David Pavel, Elise Pratt, Janean Stone, Brandon Tanabe
- 2) Secretary's Report – Meeting called to order at 3:11 pm and adjourned at 4:37 pm
  - a. November 2018 Meeting Minutes were approved
- 3) New Business
  - a. Welcome to new member Alexis Holi (8<sup>th</sup> Grade), who was invited to join the SCC by Lindsey because Alexis is already an After-school All-stars student representative
- 4) Principal's Report
  - a. Discipline Data (Karrin Hauanio)
    - i. Attachments on schoolwide discipline profile for SY 2016-2017, 2017-2018, and 2018-2019 show that KMS is now below the benchmark for incidents per day, whereas it was considered high (more than 5 per day) for the past two years. This is a positive, but the attachment on the average incidents per day per month for the same time period shows that the number of incidents tends to go up in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarters, historically. The improvement can be partially attributed to a move toward restorative practices and the assistance of teachers. At first the teachers were worried that there will be no discipline, but more teachers are participating and the administrators are seeing improvement in how the teachers are working with the students. There is still work to be done but the teachers are more proactive, less reactive, and focus more on prevention (i.e., teachers notice tension in students and would alert the vice principals).
      1. As teachers, Janean thought having two vice principals help and Dave stated that he can see the restorative process is working.
      2. As a student, Lindsey notes the more visible presence of new security guards help even though the number of security guards did not change from last SY, and that there are noticeably fewer fights.
    - ii. Stan asked about incidents on buses.
      1. Brandon responded that the incident reports are done online and everything can be handled electronically. Seems that just a one-time suspension is enough as a deterrent. There is one referral every few days; many are due to having no

bus pass, but a few are for being disruptive, such as eating. Buses are equipped with cameras that automatically turn on when the bus is loading, and the buses have Uber-like tracking. Karrin commented that the bus company has been responsive as problematic drivers were changed, and also noted that being distracted by students caused some crashes last year in the U.S.

2. Desiree commented that being referred for leaving trash seems minor. Brandon responded that the driver is distracted if s/he has to address the students rather than focus on driving safety.
  3. Lindsey wondered if there can be some sort of bus monitor to help. Brainstorm ensued about who may be able to help (i.e., middle school patrol, high schooler, etc.). Lindsey, Alexis, and Elise will follow up with one another to see if National Honor Society students at Keau High School may be an option.
- iii. Elna shared an attachment highlighting KMS's financial plan. (See attachment for details.) KMS will apply for waiver days for next school year, but is awaiting the date for the complex summit in January 2020. There is no need to apply for waiver for PC days because KMS has enough. Elna clarified that another area for waiver application is if the bell schedule changes to not meet state requirements. Welcome SCC community input on evaluations later.

#### 5) Committee Reports

- a. PCNC—Next Family Fun event will be a paint and sip/juice and cheese evening just before Valentine's Day and Esther would like to find a speaker to talk about recognizing toxic relationships. Janean suggested Joy Hohnstine from the school complex.
- b. Facilities—Elna provided updates on the old buildings and air conditioners. The permit for removing the old administrative buildings is still with the county. Air conditioners cannot be installed until after the completion of the electrical work.
- c. Student Life—Looking at the financial information, Lindsey noted that if the student laptops can be kept in better shape, perhaps their replacement can be extended so as to save some funds. Idea floated to have students in homerooms take turns being responsible for cleaning the laptops, like cafeteria duty.
- d. Student Activities—Janean reported that students have been working with Second Steps, a social and emotional program. First quarter was about goal-setting, and second quarter was about relationships.

NEXT MEETING DATE: January 17, 2019, 3 pm, Principal's