

# Cooperating School Districts of Greater Kansas City

Immediately following the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Cooperating School Districts of Greater Kansas City Foundation on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, there was a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Cooperating School Districts of Greater Kansas City, via Zoom.

#### **MINUTES**

#### I. Call to Order

Dr. Kenny Rodrequez called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m. Present at the meeting were Ms. Kathy Butler, Dr. Yolanda Cargile, Dr. Rochel Daniels, Ms. Jill Esry, Ms. Rhonda Gilstrap, Mr. Tray Harkins, Dr. Kenny Rodrequez, Dr. Jason Snodgrass, and Dr. Jeremy Tucker. Also present were Dr. Kenny Southwick, Mr. Paul Shrout, and Ms. Liz Sedlock.

## II. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Jill Esry and seconded by Tray Harkins to approve the Agenda. The result of the vote was unanimous.

### III. Approval of Consent Calendar

It was moved by Rochel Daniels and seconded by Rhonda Gilstrap to approve the Consent Calendar for the following items. The result of the vote was unanimous.

- A. Regular Meeting of the Board Minutes, June 5, 2024
- B. Executive Session Minutes, Personnel, June 5, 2024
- C. Annual Meeting Minutes, June 5, 2024
- D. June July 2024 Financials

#### IV. Executive Director's Report

- 1. PDN/HR Update Paul Shrout reported on the following:
  - At the last PDN Executive Board Meeting, Melanie Hutchinson and Amy Taylor, Lee's Summit, led a presentation on A.I. Districts will have a collaborative meeting to discuss what AI topics districts would be interested in learning.
  - Andrea Wilson, Liberty, received quotes for a Conscious Discipline workshop.
    This is an expensive workshop, but does have a lot of interest. The Board will meet in September and decide which option they want to pursue.

# IV. Executive Director's Report (continued)

- The first HR meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 15.
- Paul Shrout will attend the MOASPA conference in August.
- Kenny Southwick will meet with Cody Holyoke, Channel 9, on Thursday, August 15, regarding positions that are filled or not filled in member districts.
- 2. Kauffman Grant Update Kenny Southwick reported that CSDGKC continues to serve as the fiscal agent for a Kauffman Grant for the Success-Ready Student Network. In 2023-24 CSDGKC received \$103,875. All monies were paid out with \$28,376 carried over to 2024-25. In 2024-25, CDGKC received \$344,750 that has been budgeted. There is a potential for a third grant in 2025-26 totally around \$500,000.
- 3. EPLP/AEPLP Update Kenny Southwick reported they are still in the process of recruiting for EPLP. They project 21-25 Fellows from Missouri and 8-9 Fellows from Kansas. They would like to grow the Kansas program in order to potentially have Kansas districts join CSDGKC. The 2024-25 AEPLP cohort will have seven Fellows and will include a two-day trip to D.C. in September. They will also work with a multistate consortium throughout the year, via Zoom.
- 4. Legislative Platform Kenny Southwick reported that he is working with Bob Jerome, Blue Springs, and Steve Carroll to schedule a date for the CSDGKC Legislative Platform Committee. A date of October 1 was originally set, but will not work. They are looking to move the meeting to September 23.

Jason Snodgrass arrived at 1:49 p.m.

5. Legislative Dinner Discussion – Kenny Southwick discussed with the Board the value of continuing to have legislators attend the legislative dinner. Several alternatives were discussed. The Board will bring ideas and discuss them at the October 9 Board meeting.

#### VI. Communications & Correspondence

Board Remarks – Dr. Tucker had a conversation with Dr. Mike Slagle regarding the DESE Literacy Assessment limit as it relates to NWEA. Dr. Southwick will help facilitate this issue.

#### VII. Adjourn

It was moved by Jeremy Tucker and seconded by Yolanda Cargile to adjourn the August 14, 2024, meeting of the Board at 2:03 p.m.. The result of the vote was unanimous.

Rochel Daniels, CSDGKC Secretary Treasurer

Approved: October 9, 2024