

**Kent School Site Council MINUTES**  
**February 1, 2022**  
**3:30 – 4:30 PM**  
**LUNCH PLAZA OUTSIDE**

**1. Introductions**

**2. Reading of Norms** [Melissa Stephens](#)

**3. Approval of Minutes** [Tricia Beales](#), [Jenn Hamm](#)

**4. Principal/School Update** - Grant Althouse

- Student Leadership Update Fun planning taking place with the Student leaders. Something like the KIK Social 1x a month is what is being thought of with music on the lunch plaza, Teacher and Student together event, possibly a Trivia event. Spirit D<sup>A</sup>ys are planned for 2/11 NFL, 2/14 Valentines Day.
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- School Update Good news is school is operating close to normal. Kids are still being quarantined, however most transmissions are happening off school grounds. The library is back open -which is fantastic news. Spectator sports are open, wearing masks but all are happy to have it back. 8th grade boys basketball lost their season ending game and were bummed, as they commented when they played them 2 years ago as 6th graders, the team was not as good. The 100th day of school- was officially on 2/2/2022 - can't believe we are already there!
- Boxes and Bullets is a concept that is being utilized cross-subject. Main ideas and supporting ideas. This approach is being used in all curriculums - and it is a great accomplishment between grades and disciplines. The patterns of learning are applied to all disciplines.
- Youth Truth Survey will be completed by the students in nest and Science for the student body. Parents continue to respond. Feedback to come early Spring.
- Level 2 Lockdown drill - the students will experience a threat on campus drill on 2.15. They have seen a video and are expecting it.
- 3/1 - 6th and 7th graders make choices for the following year classes.
- Graduation planning meeting taking place already!
- All bike racks are installed.
- Conversation around the green team and Trash on the bball court. Need to get the web leaders involved, maybe it is a house clean up day - wear their shirts, take a section of the school etc - more planning to be done - but could be folded in with Zero Waste Marin. Zero Waste is already being folded into the Science curriculum. There is a Zero Waste bin on order for the North Quad .
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**5. Committee Updates**

- Technology - There are enough chromebooks on the Kent Campus fir a 1:1 distribution. Timing is still a question, due to the process to get them ready. Andrew is reaching out

to Grant on needs per grade level. /computer for each student at the start of 2022-2023. All teachers ranking App use, little consistency on Apps whether they are free or paid for by the district. There will be standardization of the apps by grade level and discipline.

- Equity - The equity conversation is being made clear and available to the parent community. There is a Racial Equity Series starting on 2/10 - how we experience unconscious bias. There were five letters from our students shared about a day off for Indigenous Peoples Day - it is challenging to get the School Board to approve, but a great effort and well researched, thought out and composed by the students. The School Board did adopt the calendar that the day would be acknowledged starting in 3rd -8th grade and would be celebrated by students and the school. Truly great advocacy and driven by the students- nicely done!
- Finance - First Interim Budget approved. UTK, Free Food for All - modeling is taking place. California mandate that has to be adopted into the budget. KSD is currently looking to figure out how to manage the expense. UTK looks to be absorbed by attrition and smaller incoming classes. FFA, is being discussed with the PTA and looking at ways to communicate with the community - as it will include breakfast and lunch and the current outstanding conversation is how to pay for it, as there is not a clear picture as to how many students will use it.

#### **6. Community Feedback /Site Council Work - MOVE TO MARCH MTG - DUE TO TIME**

- Communication
- Safety
- SPSA Goal Planning

#### **7. February Upcoming District Dates**

##### FEBRUARY

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|---------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| - Site Council Mtg        | 2/1       | 3:30-4:30pm |
| - Communication Committee | 2/2       | 4-5pm       |
| - Principal Coffee        | 2/4       | 8:45-10am   |
| - Safety Meeting          | 2/7       | 10-11am     |
| - Parent Ed Event         | 2/10      | 6-8pm       |
| - Technology Meeting      | 2/16      | 4-5pm       |
| - PRESIDENT RECESS BREAK  | 2/20-2/26 |             |

#### **9. Adjourn**

##### **School Members**

Grant Althouse, Principal  
Wendy Holmes, Assistant Principal  
Lisa Sandberg  
Tricia Beales (2022)  
Sandy Wells (2022)

##### **Student Members**

Holly Thomas (2022)  
Charlie Poser (2022)  
Ayansh Singh (2024)  
Vivienne Fitzgerald (2024)  
Eleanor Bentley (Alternate)

Margaret Rogers (2023)  
Melissa Stephens (2023)

Sofia Yanni (Alternate)

**Parent Members**

Ina Gotlieb (2022)  
Joelle Williams (2022)  
Tory Grigg (2023)  
Megan Hirschbein (2023)  
Jennifer Hamm (2024)  
Kari Cannon (2024)

**Kent School Site Council  
Meeting Norms**

1. Focus on the best interests of the student
2. Work together as a team
3. Do not interrupt
4. Listen and be open to all input
5. Assume positive intentions
6. Exhibit positive body language, mannerisms, and tone of voice
7. Be respectful of all team members