

**District Advisory Committee  
General Meeting Minutes  
March 13<sup>th</sup> 6PM-7:30PM**

**Welcome from Manuel Clark**

*Start at 6:02PM*

**KCPS Board of Directors**

*Monica Curls, Taniesha Ford: Governance Board w large responsibilities, hiring superintended and budgeting. 2024-2025 Budget Timeline: We are right in the middle of the budget. Board Bond Initiative Ambassadors, fiscal responsibility, stakeholder engagement, and approving priorities.*

*If you should receive any surveys or invites to focus groups act on it so we can push the bond ahead. Bond should only be used to facilities.*

**School Testimonials, Sholanda Mack DAC Delegate from Faxon Elementary**

*S. Mack Faxon DAC Delegate:*

*Sholanda LINC coordinator is going above and beyond through pouring into the children. Robotics, gardens, Girl Scouts. Mrs. Carla Attendance program, focus on 70 to 79 percent of students who are having attendance problems. Making students come into class by incentives and caring. Kids who reach 80% both parents and students get rewards. Mrs. Mosher – iSmart teacher checks in with parents and follows through with parents.*

*Concerns: "Homework isn't mandatory, but students get homework, the work they do not complete in class. I will not waste paper they're not going to turn it in anyways." Teachers are not supportive at Faxon. March 6<sup>th</sup> – son was called in VP Bell's office; Ms. White sent her student to office to make a statement on classroom incident. Teachers are not communicated. Followed up w. Dr. Sharpe took Mack's concern. Mrs. White met with retaliated against Mrs. Mack when she raised concerns about her child by taking her off the volunteer schedule and more background checks and orders.*

**Advocacy Day Recap, Manuel Clark and Chole KCPS High School Student**

*Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> 30 attendees built with caregivers, students, and staff. LCPH Student Chloe talked about her time on the trip. Talked about the Palestine Protest. Encourages people to come.*

**DACX Election Announcement, Manuel Clark**

*Get CVs and information into Courtney by April 15<sup>th</sup>!*

**Summer School Announcement, Summer Academy, Courtney Adams**

*June 5 to 28 – Summer School enrollment is now open. We have 12 sites this year. All neighborhood middle schools will be at SEHS and all neighborhood high schools will be held at East High. Visit [kcps.com](https://kcps.com) to get enrolled and for more info. Transportation, breakfast, and lunch will be provided. Elementary School will have before and after school care. Elementary Hours 9AM to 3:30PM, Middle School 8AM to 2:30PM, and high school 8AM to 2:20PM.*

**KCPS LiT Conference, Kansas City Public Student Leadership Conference, Leaders in Training:**

*Developed in 2021, getting students engaged at a high school level.*

*2024 Purpose is to help students feel like they are a part of their community.*

- leverage students learning outside the classroom and during summer.*
- Increase student attendance,*
- make community partners,*
- college readiness,*

- and whole child support

*KCPS LIT June 6-8 Student Conference overnight stay and career fair. ALL KCPS High Schools collab. Rising Sophomores and Freshmen are encouraged to join. Volunteers and speakers are needed.*

### **Bond Update, Nicole Collier White:**

*KCPS is the only MO district in our region without voter-approved GO funding to support facility improvements.*

- \$650M+ amount of deferred building maintenance

*June 2024: Crating 10 Year capital Funding Plan*

*Fall 2024: Issue Certificate of Participation Bonds, requires BOE approval.*

*Nov/Dec 24 Finalize GO Bond Priorities*

*April 2025: GO Bond elections requires 4/7 votes to pass.*

*Join KCPS Steering Committee to guide the development, Community Ambassadors share success stories, bring questions to districts attention. [kcpublicschools.org/bond](https://kcpublicschools.org/bond) to sign up and more info.*

### **Early College Academy UMKC, Lori Peters**

*Rising 10-11 students have opportunity to earn college credits while in high school. Pathways offered through UMKC and MCC. APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!*

### **DAC Delegate Engagement Session**

*Lincoln Middle School: Successful Fundraiser Snack Shop Friday, 4 since January! Nachos are the fav so far. Funds go to the SAC. They provide lunch to teachers and staff during conferences, sacks of goodies to students during Black History Month and at their BHM show. Raising money for a dance.*

- PTA/PTO/SAC and other organization training session brainstorming
  - o What has been successful at your school?
  - o What has not been successful?
  - o What would you like more knowledge about to better support your organization?
  - o Interest in a committee to plan a training session.
- Currently 4 schools are without: Knotts, Whitter, Wheatley, Southeast,

*NOTES: We need to establish what our parent groups look like?*

*Can we share fundraising ideas through schools?*

*There is a little bit of money for start up groups.*

*We need to follow through.*

*Think of the difference between elementary parent involvement to middle and high school parent involvement.*

*Have boundaries on parent involvement and volunteers.*

*ASK FOR WHAT YOU NEED.*