



District Accountability Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date: November 30, 2020

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Google Meet

In attendance on Google Meet: Staci Cost, Michael Nielson, Elisa Olson, Lenetta Shull, Sarah Carr, Tara Olson, Wendy Moore, Deanna Truelsen, Kristin Pejsa, Kim Parr, Lurleen McCormick, Shaine Gans, and Justin Schmitt. Not in attendance: Sue Garlick, Shirley Tourjee

Meeting was called to order at 5:35 by DAC Chairperson Staci Cost.

- I. **DAC's Responsibilities Review** – DAC is using a Timeline as guide for these responsibilities throughout the school year. Also discussed was getting another parent volunteer from the elementary. At the present, we have only one elementary parent and three from the secondary.
- II. **Family Engagement policy** – Elementary Principal, Lurleen McCormick shared her attempts at engaging families support during the CoVid 19 pandemic. While it is only possible for parents allowed at outdoor activities, the elementary has had some success when some PTA parents helped with Red Ribbon week back in October. Tara Olson also spoke about her MTSS team (Multi-Tiered System of Support) and their role with family engagement. Currently, they are studying a book by Dr. Steve Constantino, Engage Every Family: Five Simple Principles which was recommended from the Colorado Department of Education.
- III. **Parent Link Update for Elementary and Secondary** – Mark Baxter is in the process of setting up the link in both the elementary Galloping Goose and the secondary Daily Announcements. Some details considered are having the “questions, concerns, comments, and celebrations” go directly to the DAC’s email and a designated member forward them to the principals. This would limit extra work for the secretaries. Members want clear expectations and guidelines in place for responses, and if possible, set up a way to have an immediate reply go to parents.
- IV. **Policies regarding DAC and Discrepancies** – Since the last board meeting, Staci has worked diligently on this. She has proposed making changes to DAC’s By-laws (Policy AE-R3) to correlate with what is stated in the CDE’s DAC Handbook. She plans to rewrite them and send out to DAC members for feedback so that they may be presented to the board at their next meeting.
- V. **Future Business** –
 1. **Budget Priorities** – Doreen is able to meet with DAC on December 14 to review budget changes since our July meeting.
 2. **NWEA Training** – No date has been set for this training. It may possibly be done in a workshop with the board directors.

Meeting adjourned at 6:25. DAC’s next meeting is a special meeting to review the budget. This is planned for Monday, December 14, 2020 and will be held on Google Meet.

Submitted by,
Wendy Moore,
DAC Secretary