



## District Accountability Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date:** February 27, 2023 **Time:** 5:30 p.m. **Location:** District School Board Meeting Room, 100 N. 6<sup>th</sup> St. Dolores/Google Hangouts

Attendance: Staci Cost Co-Chair, Cara Gildar Co-Chair, Kristin Pesja, Katherine Freeman, Trish Huston, Susan Miller, Shirley Tourjee, Mary Weiss, Virginia (Ginny) Johnson, Deanna Truelson, Kayci Stone, Tatum Smith, Kim Parr, Reece Blincoe

- I. **Building Plan:** Dr. Blincoe - presented a powerpoint that will be presented to the community. The community meeting will be in April with the hopes that weather will not be an issue.
  - A. Started in September 2022 with the board approving the Building Design Advisory Committee (parents, school board members, administrators, professionals) working on the BEST grant. In October 2022 the board hired an architect and owner's representative and a grant writer. Updated the prior Master Plan.
  - B. February 6, 2023 the BEST grant proposal was submitted. It is back and will be revised with items to address. Will resubmit on March 22-26th.
  - C. May 2023 will be a presentation and answer questions in Denver to the BEST board. There are 66 applications, roughly \$525,000,000 has been asked for and there is \$100,000,000 to give out. There are 16 big projects that are over \$15,000,000. Dolores is one of the big projects. There are some that are asking for supplementals to finish projects that are not finished yet due to increased building costs and lack of funds.
  - D. Phasing diagrams - reviewed maps of the suggestions for building changes. Review of Phase 1
    1. New secondary school - 2 story building
    2. Addition to the commons
    3. New Ag facility
    4. Attempt to create a closed campus
    5. Middle school will be the current high school
    6. Track and field can not be part of the BEST grant because the money is to not fund the track and field. Discussion of using existing funds for building a new track and field.
  - E. Master Plan 50 year plan with more phases for additions
  - F. BEST grant is for safety, security and technology.
  - G. Bond was discussed for the community residential and businesses
  - H. If the BEST grant is approved for Dolores and the bond passes, construction would start in summer 2024.
  - I. Dolores will have a PR firm to help with passing the bond.
  - J. If we don't get the BEST grant this time, Dolores will reapply next January 2024.

- II. **Strategic Plan Tracking Log:** Dr. Blincoe
  - A. Colors for tracking progress. They are not complete and some of it is in progress. The color that looks to be tan he feels it should be yellow. Reece will discuss this with Alesa.
  - B. Progress will be tracked yearly.
  - C. Prior to Reece leaving he mentioned that the amount of kids failing school is a serious issue that he would like to discuss at a later date.
  
- III. **Parent Engagement Communication Roadmap:**
  - A. Staci had with Alesa Reed, Alesa has added areas of progress in green on the communication document.
  
- IV. **Exit/TLCC/Staff (School Climate) Surveys:**
  - A. TLCC survey has been completed and will be distributed to each DAC member to be discussed at the next meeting
  - B. A worksheet will be distributed to each DAC member for how to process the results of the TLCC
  - C. School Climate survey for staff will be completed by 3/2/23.
  
- V. **Review of DAC Charges from School Board:**
  - A. Report to the board beginning of May.
  - B. Survey results
  - C. Parent Engagement
  - D. Budget was guided by the UIP
  - E. Student assessment tools were reviewed and found to be mostly guided by the CDE
  - F. Discussion about having elementary parents on the DAC and having the PTA involved with the DAC.
  
- VI. **Anti-bullying plan:** Susan Miller
  - A. Bullying defines as unwanted negative behavior that has gone on over time and there is an imbalance of power.
  - B. Safety of students is utmost importance
  - C. Review of our district policy
  - D. Violations of the policy will not be tolerated, directed toward the principals and handled with immediacy.
  - E. Focus will be on putting a stop to the perpetrator not always on the victims.
  - F. All forms of bullying for any reason will be addressed and stopped with immediacy
  - G. Focus will be on proactively preventing bullying and stopping the perpetrators.
  - H. Will work with the parents and community to provide post investigation supports and effective plans to restore health and well being to both targets and perpetrators
  - I. Research shows that most aggressors are in the diagnosable range of some mental health disorder.

- J. There is a flow chart that will be available to reference the entire board policy
- K. Prevention: best way is supervision. Cameras need to be updated. Staff are assigned to supervised the students.
- L. Guidance curriculum will be taught to the students to empower bystanders.
- M. A parent luncheon on April 6 at noon in the school library. It's the new anti bullying curriculum presentation by Jeff Veley. It's called Squabbles.
- N. An assembly for the students will be held with the Squabbles curriculum.
- O. A parent night will be held March 8th in the commons with a brief presentation by Susan Miller on this subject 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM.
- P. There will be bullying reports on the district website that will go directly to the principals.
- Q. Back to school the curriculum will be presented as well.
- R. Susan is open for questions and comments.

**VII. DAC Membership/Attendance:** Staci proposed to the DAC members that the committee members on the website that have not attended this school year be removed from the website as members. The meetings will always be open to the public and anyone who would like to attend.

**VIII. Future Business:**

- A. TLCC survey completed
- B. Staff (School Climate) survey completed on 3/3/23
- C. Parent Survey - completed

Meeting adjourned at 6:25 P.M. DAC's next regular meeting is planned for Monday, March 27, 2023 at 5:30 P.M. and will be held at the district office and on Google Meet.

Submitted by,  
Staci Cost, DAC Chair