



District Accountability Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date: June 26, 2023 **Time:** 5:30 p.m. **Location:** District School Board Meeting Room, 100 N. 6th St. Dolores/Google Hangouts

Attendance: Staci Cost Co-Chair, Kristin Pesja, Katherine Freeman, Shirley Tourjee, Mary Weiss.

- I. **Family, School, and Community Partnerships:**
 - A. Create an inclusive culture- The school has created an inclusive culture honoring the lived experience of families in early childhood programs and/or school community
 1. How are your practices inclusive of all families? After discussion - chose level 1
 2. How are you learning about families lived experiences? After discussion chose level 2
 3. Who is leading and supporting the creation of the welcoming culture? After discussion chose level 2
 - B. Building trusting Relationships
 1. What do trusting relationships look like in your program/district/school? After discussion chose level 3
 2. How are you ensuring effective use of two-way communication with your families to sustain positive relationships? After discussion chose level 2
 3. How do you leverage relationships with families to achieve your program/school goals? After discussion chose level 2
 - C. Design capacity building opportunities
 1. How do you use the context expertise of families to better your content expertise? After discussion chose level 1
 2. How are you utilizing the assets of your families in your program/schools? After discussion chose level 2
 3. How are you using FSCP as a school improvement strategy? After discussion chose level 1
 - D. Dedicate Necessary Resources
 1. How do you implement evidence-based-practices to cultivate and sustain FSCP? After discussion chose level 1
 2. Where are you now and where will you go (e.g., evaluation and goal setting)? After discussion chose level 1
 3. How will you continually improve your family partnerships through community-based resources? After discussion chose level 1
- II. **Student Ambassador Program:** Katherine Freeman
 - A. Caitlyn West, Amanda Higgins, Jen Gadis
 - B. Support new students to the district
 - C. In the future have MS/HS students mentoring Elementary students

- D. Pilot group this fall with 10 students
- E. Amanda Higgins to find a program to train the students to be ambassadors for the school
- F. For students that demonstrate strong leadership qualities - not necessarily for straight A students
- G. This group will plan to meet again beginning of the year
- H. They are sharing with the DAC to see if there are any suggestions or ideas on how to make the program strong/better
- I. Mary mentioned that we should pick the right students and to possibly have a leadership class.
- J. Possibly have a lunch time that is catered to have the ambassadors and new students together.
- K. Feel it may help with student retention and reduce truancy
- L. Find a way to collect data for program effectiveness

III. Future Business:

- A. Student Ambassador Program
- B. School year's agenda

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M. DAC's next regular meeting is planned for Monday, August 28, 2023 at 5:30 P.M. and will be held at the district office and on Google Meet.

Submitted by,
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