



DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE (DAC)

**General Meeting Agenda**

BVSD Education Center

May 7, 2019

6:15 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

1. Welcome with Refreshments
2. Superintendent Report (Rob Price, Superintendent of Operations)
  - Several Safe to Tell reports in the last week. Resulted in Lock Out at Arapahoe Ridge, Lock Down at Broomfield High. An arrest has been made in regard to the Broomfield High situation. Thanks to the bond we have made security upgrades (cameras, intrusion detection, secure vestibules, etc.).
  - Q: I thought Safe to Tell was anonymous, how did this person get arrested? A: This is an active investigation that is being handled by Broomfield Police Department. Based on the information that has been released, it appears that the student confessed.
  - C: I'm worried that we aren't doing enough for mental health issues. While we have not had a school shooting in BVSD, we have had a recent suicide. A: We are worried about it all.
  - Q: Some kids know what Safe To Tell is and others do not. Is there a plan for making sure students and parents understand this tool? A: Our team is developing a training program for students and staff to give them an increased understanding of Safe2Tell.
  - Q: Video cameras were put into high schools, will you put together statistics about what incidents were recorded and what resulted? A: Yes. Are are planning to assess this initiative.
3. Board of Education Report (Kitty Sargent)
  - Working on 2019/20 Budget
    - i. [Preliminary Budget Study](#)
    - ii. [Preliminary Budget](#)
  - Candidates - School Board Open Houses - 8 Candidates came
  - Met with Joe Negruse. Mental health was discussed.
  - Still working on Tech Policy. We're working on it until we get it right. Approved cell phone policy - JICJ
  - There was some misinformation in the Daily Camera article summarizing the recent complaint before the Board. The original complaint was filed by a superior family and backed by 9 other families. It was a religious

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discrimination complaint. Rob appointed Robbyn Fernandez (Assistant Superintendent of School Leadership) to handle it. Then the parents filed a complaint that the original complaint was not handled appropriately. The Board was asked to look at the complaint about the original complaint, to determine whether the original complaint was handled appropriately with respect to district policy. We denied the request because we determined that the complaint was handled appropriately. It was not about religious discrimination.

- School Board candidates need to declare by the end of August. If you are considering running for the School Board it is best to say just that, that you are considering it. If you say (even to friends) that you are running, you must register with the Secretary of State within 10 days.
- Q: Would it be helpful to have DAC review tech policy? A: At this point it doesn't seem like there would be time for DAC to review this.
- Q: Is the memo regarding notification and opt out for gender identity programming going to be reviewed and updated? This memo goes against the progress that BVSD is known for. A: There is still a lot of discussion happening about this memo.
- Q: With the new full day K rollout, what is happening to the kindergarten enrichment staff jobs? Are they getting help through HR? Will they all be placed in the district? A: It is going through HR and they are handling placements for the displaced KE positions. Not all displaced KE teachers will have jobs in BVSD.

#### 4. Recommendations on Charter School Policy (Medler)

- Board asked DAC to review our Charter Policies (LBD and LBDR). A subcommittee worked on a [memo](#) (shared a couple of weeks ago) and link here.
- Charters are assessed as a stand alone. Q: Can we deny based on its effect on enrollment at other schools in district? A: No. Cannot decline it based on its effect on other district schools.
- Q: Is it possible for the district to have a policy to have charter give preferential enrollment to FRL kids or other special populations? A: We talked about this a lot in the committee. We ended up with a lottery format being best to keep the option of federal funding open.
- Q: Can we more clearly define equity A: There definition on BVSD website.
- With minor modifications to the memo originally shared (the final draft linked above), the memo passed by acclamation with 2 members abstaining.

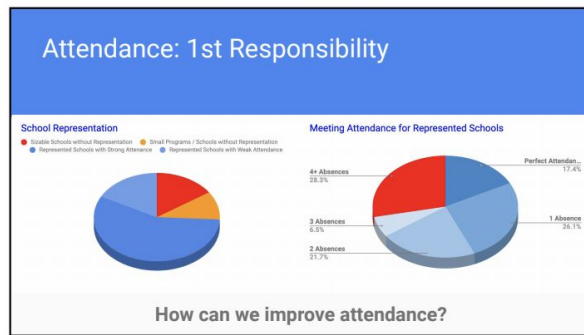
#### 5. Budget Survey Update (Brown)

- The budget subcommittee met at the last meeting and brainstormed some changes to the current budget survey. Some suggested changes include adding questions about school size, school board representative, title I, and adding a weighted ranking rather than just ranking for some questions. The proposed budget survey will be sent out prior to the

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## September meeting for review.

### 6. Review of 2018/19 & Preview of 2019/20



### Celebrations

**Significant Input**

- ~50 hrs of meetings
- >1,200 human-hours

**... and Influence**

- More schools represented
- Updated DAC Norms & Bylaws
- Expedited timeline for budget surveys
- Recommended expansion of school counselors, now in draft BVSD budget (awaiting BoE approval)
- Recommended more logical UIP timeline (district agrees)
- Provided input on the strategic plan
- Reviewed ACAF Charter School Application
- Made recommendations on charter policy
- Increased subcommittee time during meetings
- Created a plan to improve DAC & SAC member training

### Recommendations & Areas of Improvement

- Provide earlier and more thorough training for new DAC members
- Address DAC role in Family Engagement
- Provide more support to, and better communication with, SACs
- Ensure better data presented during quarterly UIP discussions
- Provide UIP document well in advance of required feedback; consider forming UIP subcommittee to help with the process
- Diversity of DAC membership

### Looking Ahead: 2019/20

- May
  - Report recommendations to policy LBD-R to BoE
- August:
  - Joint DAC Rep & SAC Chair/Vice Chair Training
  - Charter Review subcommittee convenes to review applications
- September:
  - Quarterly Check: State Assessment Data and Unified Improvement Plan (UIP)
  - Budget Survey sent to school principals & DAC members on September 4th
  - DAC recommendation on charter applications and report to the BoE
- Policy Work:
  - Attendance Policies JH & JH-R
  - Family Engagement Policies KB & KBA

### 7. Slating of DAC Executive Team Officers (Medler)

- Chair - Nicole Rajpal
- Vice Chair - Amanda Brown
- Secretary/Recorder - Ralph Frid
- Membership Officer - Anna Siepmann

Approved by acclamation

### 8. Adjournment (5 min.)

Nicole thanked all of the members for their work this year and special thanks to Lisa Medler who is stepping off the executive board next year.

### SAC/DAC Information

- Mark Your Calendars! DAC will be hosting a joint DAC Rep/SAC Chair training:

#### Accountability Committee Training

Thursday, August 22nd from 6:15pm to 8:30pm

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