



DAC Meeting Minutes
Date: 1/30/19, 5:30pm
Location: KCPS BOE Building

Susan Stocking, DAC Chair

- Welcomed everyone and gave an overview of the agenda
- Quoted- “To move forward, you have to give back”, Oprah Winfrey

Northeast High School Food Pantry- Roberta Kipper

- The pantry is Harvesters based and serves the NE Viking staff and families, as well as those in the community in need
- Donations are received from around the world
- Started last year and connected to the 11,000+ Alumni
- Occupies two rooms with refrigeration/freezers and now also includes a clothes closet
- In Dec 2018 the pantry served over 700 students and families

KCPS Mentoring Programs- Dr. Daryl Davis, KCPS Asst. Superintendent of Innovation and Special Projects

- In the summer of 2018 channel 41 broadcast a video, at that time 600 students were on the mentor waiting list. (as of this year there are 755 elementary students on the waiting list)
- District mentoring programs include:
 - Lunch Buddies- adult mentors meet with students during lunch
 - My Brother’s Keepers Success Mentors- serves grades 6-9
 - Men of Color, Honor, Ambition (MOCHA)- serves grades 9-12
 - Career Mentors- serves grades 11-12
- Each school has an on-site mentoring coordinator
- Mentors must complete a background check and then attend a mentoring training class

Waldo Service Day- Pastor Zack Anderson, Restore Community Church in Waldo (located at Hale-Cook Elementary)

- The Waldo Service Day enabled volunteers to serve both their local community and school
- Volunteers were provided a breakfast and lunch, plus they received a T-Shirt
- Over 140 volunteered with many being community members, there were 17 sponsors, and 15 projects completed
- Some school principals donated their time and served as site coordinators
- Pastor would like to see each school have a volunteer site coordinator in the future
- Cooperated with KC Parks and Recreation as well as a Rotary Club to achieve work goals and hope to continue in the future

Giving Back Table Discussions

- Each table was provided a talking points sheet to discuss how they have experienced or seen community and volunteers give back to the KCPS District

Tables Share Giving Back Suggestions

- Read with students- Turn the Page and Read-to-Lead type programs
- Providing community a list of volunteer opportunities at the school
- Donations of money, food, time, supplies like backpacks
- School volunteer coordinators
- Provide community service opportunities to high school student
- Providing different levels (time/expertise) of volunteer choices
- Share giving back news with the local media
- Community partners hosting community forums
- Inviting city officials, key organizations, and faith-based orgs
- Identify community partners local to the school
- Identifying what parents need
- Sponsoring Restaurant Night Out where school received percentage of sales
- Use students as tutors/mentors
- Have a list of shovel-ready projects
- Volunteers present at beginning of school days
- Start with school's closest connections- kids, neighbors, relatives
- Donating items such as tennis rackets and sports equipment
- Working with various local reliable community partners- Science City, KC Zoo, KC Sporting, Jazz Museum, Truman Library, Kauffman Foundation, Nature Centers, etc.
- Donating used uniforms
- Promote "giving back" thru social media
- Teachers sending home zip lock bags with materials to be cut-out and returned

KCPS IT Announcements- Joe Phillips, KCPS Director of Technology

- Chromebooks are currently being distributed to elementary students
- Touchscreen component is proving to be successful and enabling students to do more
- Teachers receive their cart of computers after completing district training
- IT is using techs at the school level to assist staff with computer functions and usage
- IT goals include meeting the needs of education, business, and technology for KCPS



- A timeline has been set for completion of the Tech Plan and will include a digital survey of stakeholders
- Stages include Collect Data (Feb 2019), Review Data (Mar 2019), Present Draft Plan to Stakeholders (Apr 2019), and Present Final Plan to BOE for approval (May 2019)

Closing Remarks- Susan Stocking

- DAC will hold officer elections at the next DAC meeting on Apr 17th at 5:30pm. Interested parents or community members should complete an interest form or contact the DAC Chair (Susan Stocking) at stockingskc@gmail.com
- DACX officer duties include: planning for general DAC meetings, acting in an advisory role to KCPS Administration thru committee participation, and supporting the development and improvement of parent organizations at KCPS Schools. The DACX meets monthly.
- DAC held a legislative training session Jan 26th at the Central Library
- On Feb 20th a bus will provide transportation to travel to Jeff City to talk with State Legislators on key educational legislation. The group will return in time (approx. 3:10pm) for parents to pick up their children after school.
- On Mar 12th DAC along with More^{^2}, the League of Women Voters, and Visitation CCO will host a KCPS BOE Candidate Forum at Linwood United Church (3151 Olive St) at 6:30pm

Meeting Adjourned