



DAC Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2023
6:30pm-8:30pm

Meeting Logistics:

Jessica Bassan - **Present**
Irene Borisov - **Absent**
Jenny Brown - **Present**
Brian Domokos - **Present**
Allison Fox - **Present**
Julie Gooden - **Present**
Kelly Pointer - **Present**
Becky Krug - **Present**
Lisa Loomer - **Present**
Katie Lynch - **Present**
Melody Mathews - **Absent**
Ashley Opfer - **Present**
Kelly Pointer - **Present**
Chester Shaw - **Present**
Jen Spykerman - **Excused**
Valerie Thompson - **Excused**
Kate Welsh - **Present**
Sammye Wheeler-Clouse - **Present**

Quorum: Quorum is met

Matt Reynolds, Learning Services Officer - Present

Dr. Deanne Kirby, Director of Educator Effectiveness - Present

Allison Rauch, Director, Parent, Community and Civic Engagement - Present

Susan Meek, Board of Education Director - Available through phone

Jason Page, Board of Education Director - Present

Guest in attendance: 13 (this does not include DAC and DCSD staff and board members)

Came to Order at 6:34

Total Attendance 31 and one through phone

1. Meeting Logistics (Brian)
 - a. Roll Call
 - b. A motion to approve 8/17 meeting minutes was made by Ashley and seconded by Lisa. Passed unanimously

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- c. A motion to approve 8/31 meeting minutes was made by Kelly and seconded by Kate. Passed unanimously
 - 2. Chair Report (Chester)
 - a. Welcome
 - b. Lisa went over the subcommittee updates and asked for any adjustments or changes.
 - i. Chester clarified that any times there are questions, members should first reach out to a DAC board liaison (which is indicated by the * below)
 - ii. Budget Committee (Chester*, Valerie, Iren) Bylaws (Lisa*, Julie, Ashley, Jenny), CART (Kelly*, Jenn), Communications (Kelly*, Brian, Ashley), Forum/EXPO and Event Planning (Irene, Allison), KB Policy Review (Kelly*, Sammye, Valerie, Julie, Kate), Membership (Lisa*, Jenn, Becky, Julie, Valerie) and Parent Engagement (Chester*, Jenn, Sammye, Valerie, Kate)
 - c. DAC Norms
 - i. Matt gave sticky notes for members to have them write down the actions and behaviors for each of the 5 norms. They then put them on large white pieces of paper for each of the 5 norms. In smaller groups, DAC members sorted them and captured some basic themes. In the future, he will adjust the norms to have them on one side and behaviors on the other side. These new norms will be available at the November meeting.
- 3. Board of Education Liaison Updates (Dir. Meeks and Dir. Page)
 - a. Dir. Page reported about the following
 - i. He will be canvassing this Saturday and thinks the Bond/Mill Levy is very important.
 - ii. He referenced Superintendent Kane's mention of social media and he was surprised there was no policy or mention of cell phone usage, social media, or technology usage policy beyond school policies. He argued that, as one board member and parent, it is something the DAC may want to consider reviewing.
 - iii. He also thanked DAC members for their work.
 - b. Dir. Meek reported about the following
 - i. She welcomed Dir. Page
 - ii. She is also canvassing about the Bond/Mill Levy. There was a question about any more recent polling data but there isn't any. There was also a request for a collection of all SACs who support it and posting that. Dir. Meek said that information like this on the district website has some legal implications and would defer to legal counsel, though it should be on the Invest in DCSD website. Allison Rauch mentioned that the Parker Chamber of Commerce has been fairly supportive.
 - iii. She mentioned the multiple celebrations on August 22, the MBOC presentation, and information on student data
 - iv. At the September 12 work session, they celebrated the SROs, used a board study session to look at school safety, watched multiple schools

presenting on SES and mental health provision, turnover and hiring data, and the Superintendent's goals.

- v. President Peterson mentioned a desire to change some language in the missions and value statements and there was a request to have DAC input.
 - vi. A DAC member requested insight into the DAC's request for a work session. Dir. Meek referenced an email from President Peterson that asked that this wait until after the election, which she didn't receive, but Dir. Page confirmed this was his understanding. She also said that she requested some board members attend before DAC meeting. Kelly asked that this timeline be moved up because December is 3 months away. Another comment was made that the harm was done in May/June, so it seems like this isn't a priority of the Board rather than actually addressing it. A new DAC member noted that the Board has had work sessions with the Long Range Planning Committee and Finance Committee but nothing for us, and this caused her frustration.
- c. Board Committee Priorities
 - i. Lisa asked for clarity on which board priorities will be presented to the Board on Tuesday on behalf of the DAC. Dir. Meek and Dir. Page both agreed to pass on our requested priorities.
4. Staff Update (Matthew Reynolds)
- a. Forum - Career Pathway EXPO on October 26, 2023. There were 500 people last year and he's excited to see more now that construction at Legacy is completed.
 - b. School Performance Frameworks have been given to schools, though the exact PDFs are not yet available to the public (though the data is). He praised the work happening in our schools, especially in light of the funding issues.
 - c. Regional SAC Training was completed with about 20 schools recently and two DAC members attended, whom he thanked. CDE has a training for SAC members, which he recommended for new SAC members who want to learn on their own time.
5. Unified Improvement Plan Recommendations (Matthew Reynolds)
- a. Since the federal level doesn't recognize at-risk factors, the three high schools that serve those students are typically federally identified as needing improvement.
 - b. Matt will take the recommendations made today and make them a board item for next week's meeting before the plan is submitted on October 15, 2023
 - c. Since the district is currently green, most of the work will continue as it's being shown to work.
 - d. He mentioned the need to work on literacy, math, (especially for the subgroups), graduation rates for EL students, and high school science.
 - e. The Major Improvement strategies include aligning and implementing instruction to the Colorado Academic Standards, alignment of universal, targeted, and intensive instruction, and an implementation of the MTSS.

- f. There was a question for DAC members to add any recommendations. Ashley motioned that the DAC recommended to the Board that it be adapted as written. Lisa seconded. It passed unanimously. Matt requested that any DAC members who attend the next board meeting tell him so he can acknowledge and thank them in front of the board.
6. Safety -- ADD Policy for Safe Schools (Matt)
 - a. A copy of the policy was given to each DAC member and is available [here](#) in advance of November's meeting when the DAC will review it. Matt requested that DAC Members, as "pre-work", review it.
 - b. A member asked about how to tie this to Dir. Page's recommendation about technology and social media. Though it may not make this policy, it may make another policy.
 - c. Dir. Meek asked how long that feedback should take. Matt agreed that this may take multiple meetings. One DAC member mentioned that past policy reviews included parent surveys and other work that may necessitate a subcommittee. Another DAC member asked that the vote for the policy be delayed if it was mentioned as being up for a vote prior to the November election, where 6 million dollars will be allocated to school safety. If the Bond/MLO doesn't pass, it's still worth reviewing the policy. Another DAC member asked for a clear timeline and policy--we want adequate time. Brian asked if we needed to make a motion to request for sufficient time. Dir. Page commented that the last time this policy was passed a few years ago, the DAC was also not consulted fully.
7. Educator Effectiveness Update (Dr. Deanne Kirby)
 - a. [Assessment Recommendation Revision Presentation](#)
 - b. She addressed the ways SB 10-191 keeps things the same and some changes in light of SB 22-070 such as a 70/30 split for professional practices and student data (from 50/50), a different evaluation process for highly effective educators, 5 new rubrics, new trainings for evaluators, and some slight changes to the when it is reported.
 - c. She passed out a packet entitled "[District Accountability Committee Assessment Recommendations](#)", specifically the last page called "Recommendations for Principals" so that when she returns in November, she can make any necessary (if any) adjustments to this box.
8. Parent Engagement (KB) Update (Kelly Pointer)
 - a. The subcommittee adjusted its feedback timeline to give SACs time to have their first meeting, as well as to be respectful of the 6 emails Kelly sent out (3 DAC meetings, regional SAC training, SAC bylaws changes, B/MLO joint resolution).
9. Open Discussion, Interactive Conversations, Input for Future Meetings, and Public Comment (Chester Shaw)
 - a. There was a request for a copy of the ADD policy for an audience member.
 - b. One member requested for clarity about extending the time beyond 8:30 as it rarely ends on time. Chester commented that this is a recurring issue. One audience member requested that some meetings be, in advance, noted as

longer. Chester commented this is good for when we talk about norms next time and that meetings had actually been extended by half an hour a few years ago.

- c. Kelly mentioned that last meeting we passed a resolution supporting the Bond/Mill Levy and it was sent to SACs and 16 have already agreed to support a joint SAC resolution of support for the B/MLO. A comment was made that not all SACs received it, which Kelly said was in response to her not sending to any district email addresses or charter specific email due to Fair Campaign laws. She requested that other DAC members tell SAC members about it, where her email is on the Invest in DCSD website alongside her personal email. An audience member asked what information SACs need to provide: the answer was simply an email from the SAC stating they supported it. Another audience member asked where information could be given out during a Trunk or Treat. Allison Rausch clarified where the information is and handed out factual postcards.
10. Motion to adjourn by Brian, seconded by Kate. Passed unanimously at 8:41 pm.
 11. Some action items prior to our November meeting include
 - a. Review policy ADD (See 6.a above)
 - b. Review Dr. Kirby's 'Recommendations for Principals' section in her handout