



Fiscal Oversight Committee (FOC)

Thursday, February 15, 2024

Meeting Minutes

Regular Monthly Meeting – West Support Center – Telluride Room

Voting Members (x indicates in attendance * indicates absent)

x	James Coope, Chair	x	Kevin Metzger
x	Ed Pavletich, Vice Chair	x	Maya Rosochacova
x	Jerrold Taylor, Recorder	x	Megan Severs
*	Aaron Cowan	x	Mike Barrows
x	Alex Frum	*	Robert Smithson
x	David Usechek	x	Shawn Daughenbaugh
*	Daniel Smith	*	Vili Vangelova-Petkova

Non-Voting Members

x	Kaylee Winegar, Board of Education Director	*	Jenny Frueh, Administrative Assistant to CFO
x	Valerie Thompson, Board of Education Director	x	Drew Phelps, Manager of School Budgeting
*	Jana Schleusner, Chief Financial Officer	*	Cheryl DeCristino, Accounting Manager
x	Colleen Doan, Director of Budget		
x	Eric Varner, Director of Finance	x	Aadithya S, DCSD Student Advisory Group

Guests

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Call to Order

- Chair James Coope called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Roll call was taken.

Public Participation Protocol Statement

- Chair James Coope stated that the public would have an opportunity at the end of the meeting to provide public comment.

Approval of Minutes of Meeting | Chair James Coope

- Motion to adopt January 18, 2024, Minutes of Meeting by Alex Frum seconded by Ed Pavletich. Motion passed unanimously.

Board of Education (BOE) Update | Director Kaylee Winegar

- Director Winegar shared information on the demographics that the BOE received at the last meeting. The BOE also got a presentation on putting 5B on the ballot again. The BOE was given numbers on the costs of waiting to put 5B on the ballot. It could cost \$125 million a year if 5B doesn't pass. Tim Moore was appointed as a new BOE member. Committees are also being invited to the BOE retreat. James, Ed, and Jerrod will attend.
- Director Thompson gave an update about the district joining the social media lawsuit. She also gave an additional overview of the 5B presentation that was given to the district. There was a question on the purpose of joining the social media lawsuit. There was also a question on the JH policy that is being reviewed by the district.

Budget Priorities Survey Summary of Responses | Colleen Doan, Director of Budget

- Colleen Doan gave an overview of the budget priorities that were given to the FOC to fill out. 13 out of 14 members participated.
- Colleen asked if the FOC wanted to prepare a recommendation and if the FOC would require any additional information from staff on their priorities.
- There were several questions from FOC members and a discussion on how FOC wanted to proceed.

SY 2024-2025 Budget Update | Colleen Doan, Director of Budget and Drew Phelps, Manager of School Budgeting

- Colleen Doan and Drew Phelps gave an update on the 24-25 budget.
- Sitting at 946 fewer students than the previous year. Projected new revenue of \$17 million.
- There was an overview of SBB. There was a discussion about Free and Reduced lunch allocation since Colorado provides free lunches to all students.
- Drew went over a change in the special programming discretionary allocation and nondiscretionary student support services.
- Total preliminary site-based budget (SBB) for 24-25 is \$453,898,829.

SY 2023-2024 Second Quarter Financials | Colleen Doan, Director of Budget

- Colleen Doan gave an overview of 2nd quarter financials.

State of the State / Legislative Updates | Colleen Doan, Director of Budget

- Colleen Doan gave a legislative update.
- Some proposed changes to school finance would not be favorable to DCSD.
- UPK challenges are being addressed. Families begin to apply on Feb 29th.
- PERA wants contractors to be PERA eligible so the district would have to pay their PERA.

Student Advisory Group Update | Aadithya S., DCSD Student

- Aadithya updated FOC on an opinion to the BOE on the social media lawsuit. The school safety subgroup wants another hotline to supplement Safe to Tell because of issues with the hotline. The environmental subgroup wants to expand recycling services in the school and install more efficient energy.

New Business / Ideas | Chair James Coope

- No new business

Member Roundtable | Chair James Coope

- The FOC went over concerns that kept them up at night about the district.

Public Participation

- No public comment

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by David Usechek, seconded by Maya Rosochacova. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m. Motion approved.

Next FOC Meeting

The next FOC Meeting is scheduled for March 7, 2024, at the DCSD Wilcox Building in the Board Room.