



South Ridge

ELEMENTARY

AN IB WORLD SCHOOL

September 24, 2024

SAC Meeting 5pm-6:30pm

Attendees: Paula Barrons (Chair), Jill Casas, Stephanie Brink, Darcy McKnight, Angela Rocha, Lisa De Cesare, Laura Morales

1. Welcome & Introductions – (Chair)
 - **SAC Purpose:** The purpose of the SAC is to inform, encourage and provide opportunities for parent and community members to be involved in the planning and evaluation of the school's instructional program and quality improvement processes
2. SAC Membership – Roles & Responsibilities – (Chair)
 - Voting members - if you are present, you have a voice to vote.
 - Minutes - (date/time): Posted on school site, under SAC.
 - DCSD Bylaws -**updated last year** - ADOPT will discuss at next meeting
3. Standing Reports
 - Chair Report (Paula Barrons) -
 - i. Open Positions: Vice Chair, Recorder, DAC
 1. Laura Morales considering Vice or Recorder
 2. Lisa De Cesare to fill PTCO rep position
 - ii. SAC training put on by the district
 1. Laura and Paula attended. Communication is transparent at South Ridge - we're doing it right here!
 2. Jill linked a lot of documents in the PPT for team to review
 - iii. Bond on the Nov ballot - Do's and Don'ts
 1. Discussed bond measure at this meeting - the do's and don'ts of what we can say, how schools are funded, the lapse in bond measures for several years and their plan moving forward.
 2. SAC and PTCO members can endorse bond measures (just not employees)
 3. Jill can put flyer created for Smore e-newsletter into print form and send home in student folders
 - iv. DAC Survey Completion - sent
 - DAC Report -
 - i. Last meeting: September 19, 2024 - no minutes posted yet.

- ii. Next meeting October 24, 2024 (DCSD Pathways Expo - Legacy Campus)
- Teacher Report/Celebrations (Angela Rocha) -
 - i. BLT retreat - reviewed CMAS data, discussed schoolwide goal/data, curriculum and assessment experts were there to moderate and share trends
 - ii. Carnival being outdoors was really neat
 - iii. Multi-tier support system covers kids at every level of learning
 - iv. "What I Need" (WIN): Time built into daily schedule that is not part of tier 1 scheduling to allow for support or focus as needed
 - v. Conference timing - all
 - 1. Some teacher feedback shared concerns about not knowing all of their students too well yet to be able to share more info about testing and any go-forward plans.
 - 2. Academics and behavioral issues can begin to show up after about 6 weeks; timing is beneficial to begin these conversations with parents.
 - 3. Still collecting feedback from parents, teachers.
- Community Report - Carletta Stewart, absent
- PTCO Report -
 - i. Carnival (Lisa) - outside this year, and it was really great! Key takeaways - morning assembly didn't allow the use of the stage, which would have been helpful. Need to order more pizza next year.
 - ii. Fall Catalog fundraiser (Paula) - going great so far; we're already at 10K toward our goal of \$14,500. Two more emails coming; Jill used announcements today (9/24). Paula and Jill to discuss fun incentive for final sales push.
 - iii. Teacher conference dinners (Paula) - Dream Dinners donated main course. Pizza donations covered at least half the cost of the pizza - there was plenty of food for everyone; folks with allergies were happy, too!
 - iv. Spiritwear sales and Fridays (Lisa) - spirit wear should be done this week and will deliver soon. Paula will have an email about this to share soon.
 - v. Trick or Treat Street coming up (Lisa) - 10/25, 5-6pm. Will do Kiwanis book giveaways and pizza sales (to raise money for 5th grade Outdoor Ed) in the cafeteria this year.
- Principal Report (Jill Casas) -
 - i. IB - Reauthorization & Support from PTCO & SAC -
 - 1. IB video shared during meeting. IB schools review programme evaluation every 5 years to re-engage, re-energize and re-authorize; South has already submitted all the documentation on the website. Visit the IB tab on our website to see details.

2. IB will be able to provide us with some actionable steps to take. This is the first time we have been re-authorized with a curriculum in place; we are all using Benchmark and Ready math now.
3. Our mission statement is IB friendly. Linked in the PPT is a survey; reviewed in meeting for understanding and asked to complete later.
4. Jill takeaways:
 - a. Send survey to parents via Smore to raise awareness of re-authorization.
 - b. Create Spanish version.
 - c. Add language for estimated time to answer survey questions to survey introduction; 5-10 minutes.
- ii. BOY - iReady data
 1. Reading at 30%, down 5% and Math at 15%, no change
- iii. CMAS data
 1. To move students 3% per year is a massive undertaking.
 2. Our School Performance Framework (SPF) technically puts us in the GREEN for CMAS! But our participation has us on an improvement plan due to a clerical error with opt-out steps; approved opt-outs were inadvertently counted as zeros, and we had 40.
 3. UIP draft and Bylaws handed out during meeting, also linked in PPT shared by Jill.
- iv. Current Enrollment & Programming (Jill)
 1. WIN time solves problems of students missing out on tier 1 teaching by adding a scheduled period during the day for this opportunity.
 2. Projected 385, Current 373
 3. Enrollment matters due to budgeting; window opened today and the count changes daily. We have plenty of money in our budget to pay for everything.
- v. Bond - not 5B is 5A - what will that mean for SOE
- vi. SAC Regional Presentations - Virtual - October 1-3
4. Unfinished Business/Follow-up (Jill)
 - Digital Marquee Update - holding pattern. Stuck waiting for Town approval, then it will go to production; possible timing during winter break.
 - 5th grade outdoor education -
 - i. April 2025 at YMCA Camp Shady Brook.
 - ii. Fundraising activities happening to bring down everyone's cost.
 1. Pay to wear your hat to school.
 2. Pizza sales at Trick or Treat Street.
 3. Other opportunities as they come up during already planned events.

5. Open Forum

- Lisa - broken system between DCSD and South re: school fees waived due to Medicaid. Will South still get budgeted dollars?
 - i. Our budget is weighted based on number of free and reduced lunches, so yes we will get the money.
- Who updates website? Lars. Jill will take care of getting updates to Lars. PTCO minutes can also get sent to Jill for translation and posting on our website.

6. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Quarterly – November 19, 5-630