

District Accountability Advisory Committee (DAAC) Minutes

September 22, 2015
Creekside Service Center-Gym

The meeting was called to order by the chair, Erica West, at 6:06 p.m. Introductions were made. A quorum was not established, so the agenda and minutes of the August 25, 2015 minutes could not be approved.

Public Forum: none

Administration Update – Dr. Lou Fletcher – The Education Service Center had a sewer backup and staff may not be back in the building until Oct.

Board Update – Kevin Butcher – work session tomorrow at 6:30 at Creekside Success Center.

Speakers

Dr. Lou Fletcher – Director of Culture and Services – Restorative Practices - Using information from the International Institute for Restorative Practices. Be the Change at Vista Ridge was a great event to discuss real events/challenges. There needs to be a change in culture and mindset, especially with the variety of cultures within the district. Matt Landon indicated the trend being experienced in industry is the younger workers are expecting to be given more chances. Lou agreed that high expectations are still needed in restorative practices. For example, minorities, in general, are underrepresented in Advanced Placement classes. Currently there is no data for the district on the number/percentage of minorities in concurrent enrollment and AP. Lou is asking those questions. The district is working to make sure there is a behavior plan, which outlines what steps are taken before suspending a student. Schools are making their recommendation. Lisa Fillo indicated schools are working with the court system and probation officers too.

Unfinished Business

- a. Subcommittee updates:
 - Parent Engagement Subcommittee – has not met
 - Budget Subcommittee – would like SAC leaders to take back to their buildings that spending priorities need to be sent in earlier. Inputs need to be back a week before the Nov. meeting. The subcommittee will put out guidance for how to send input at the Oct. meeting.
 - Unified Improvement Plan Subcommittee – not met – Kristina Rigdon will be asked to come to the next meeting.
 - Charter Subcommittee – no applications have been submitted yet.
 - Bylaws Subcommittee – Two areas to be resolved are determining the quorum requirements and the terms of office for the officers. If you have any recommendations, send input to Karen.
 - School Conduct and Discipline Code Subcommittee – A change to the subcommittee name will be voted on when there is a quorum.
- b. District Initiatives for 2015-2016
 - Primary Literacy
 - 49 Pathways
- c. Elections – postponed until a quorum is established.
- d. District Finger Printing Policy – Is there a deadline for volunteers to be finger printed by? Is there guidance on who needs to be finger printed? It's for those who volunteer very frequently, chaperone a field trip, or who have unchaperoned access to kids. The finger printing team can be scheduled to come to an event to finger print. Share those dates with others, so they can take advantage of the times. Would like to know if the program is working, i.e. how many have been processed; how many rejected. There should be communication back to the person finger printed, whether approved or not. If a person

has moved, are they removed from list? If a volunteer is or was a teacher in another district, are they covered? How stale is the system if fingerprinted years ago? Lou will find out from Dave Watson, the district security officer. It was requested that Dave come to a DAAC meeting and talk about safety in the district.

New Business

- a. Constitution and Bylaw Discussion – discussed with subcommittee update
- b. Meeting Format – There was discussion on trying to make it easier for subcommittees to meet. A suggestion was to have a one hour DAAC meeting, then let subcommittees meet after. A comment was made that the DAAC meeting should have an open ended time, so it's not rushed. A suggestion was made that subcommittees could meet prior to the DAAC meetings, so any decisions needed could be made without waiting until the following month. It was decided to leave it to subcommittee on when to meet, especially when a person may be on multiple committees. Let Lou know when you are meeting so he can arrange for the room if needed.

School Reports

RMCA – going well, excited about moving forward
FES – fun run tomorrow
FHS – working on innovation plan
EEIS – math night
SRES – first SAC meeting last night, small crowd, push involvement at PRIDE assembly; enrollment is down (100 students) attributed to RMCA; talked with Sean Dorsey about funding; the SAC was happy with CDE presentation
VRHS – Be the Change Challenge is being done 3 days; SAC is meeting twice a month – math presented, then will have business
IIR – SAC trying to meet more than once a quarter; trying to install a real field; enrollment up
SES – PTA quite active, dance, movie night; SAC is meeting at the same time as DAAC – will talk to principal
HMS – first SAC, small attendance; Oct. 7, 4-6 p.m., event with food and music; received money for violins for an orchestra; praiseworthy Panther website established to say good things about staff – parents can send in a form and the principal reads it at a staff meeting; new initiative - teacher calls parent during class with positive feedback; Project Red – committee of students pulled from different areas, charged with planning positive things in school
SMS – band concert; several teacher participate in the VRHS challenge day; finished first round of testing; lots of assessments; third SAC meeting on Tues. – will make personal calls to the 100 that signed up as showing interest; a great program being available to kids in the system/boys home, which uses the Consumer Family Science room to teach healthy cooking. The wellness committee received a grant so can invite more kids – giving kids meal, clubs starting – engaging kids
WHES – family fun night last week - good community engagement; electronic sign; working with principal on SAC requirements learned from the CDE training
FMS – Friends of Rachel Club initiated after the Rachels Challenge program presented; All the Falcon Zone PTAs welcomed Dr. Julia Roark, the new zone leader, who is interested in enhancing community engagement.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Karen Hobson, Secretary

Approved _____

Date 12-1-15 _____

Attached:

9-22-15 – Sign In Sheet