

## District Accountability Advisory Committee (DAAC) Agenda

February 23, 2016

Board Room-Education Service Center: 6:00 – 8:00 pm

The meeting was called to order by the chair, Erica West, at 6:06 p.m. A quorum was established. The agenda and the January 26, 2016 minutes were approved by consent.

Administration Update – Dr. Lou Fletcher reinforced that DAAC is a legislative mandate and that attendance is important. The need for at least one community member is part of the mandate.

Board Update – Ms. Tammy Harold, DAAC alternate, gave an update from the work session: Springs Ranch presented their innovation plan; DAAC bylaws were presented and will be approved at the regular board meeting; and potential election planning were some of the topics. The district is looking to solidify its identity with a revised vision and mission, using a shorter tagline. A new job required by the Claire Davis Act –a response team leader who will be actively involved with talking in schools and doing assessments. Al asked if it was an unfunded mandate? Yes it is. It has removed exemptions and adds liability for the district. The BOE hired an outside third party to look into a grievance and a special BOE meeting was called to deal with the grievance. The BOE upheld the findings of the third party and determined the incident cited in the grievance was not based on race. Many SACs have not been priority and are not operating according to the law. Peter Hiltz, CEO, will gather the following information from each school:

- Current composition of each school SAC
- Process for selection of members, including determination of terms and what happens at the end of a person's term
- Bylaws of each school SAC, if they exist
- Number of meetings held per year
- Comparison of current SAC membership to statutory requirements.

At the March work session the BOE will review the responses. A question was asked about the status of Falcon H.S. SAC. There was a request for applications and the SAC was reconstituted at FHS. Why was the process not implemented across all SACs? The district is starting with gathering the information above.

A separate issue arose from a parent's concern with a response to vandalism at Falcon H.S. The BOE directed admin to look at best practices for safety of our students. To see if the district follows best practices, Matt Meister, Dave Watson, and Lou Fletcher will meet Fri. The process is to document, remove, and work with law enforcement and other groups.

Speaker – Brett Ridgway, Chief Business Officer presented the election proposal for a Mill Levy Override. The proposal is a wise investment in facilities and provides support for the teaching

staff with no tax rate increase. Recommendations were developed weighting the reinvestment in the buildings based on square feet and age of the building. A question was asked how many have modular and square feet added, would it change the recommendations. Brett will provide that information. It was excluded because the initial thought was to focus on permanent facilities. Is there a plan to move away from modular classrooms – no. How will this be communicated to the community – materials being put together (FAQs). Need to take advantage of interest rates before they go up. Brett presented the proposal to the board, which includes student leaders and, additionally, to the teacher compensation committee. Brett says when the teacher compensation committee met their priorities were to work towards catching up from years of frozen pay; to be competitive with other districts; and that teachers were open to differentiation at some point ( a lot of people will have to get involved in how to do this). Lisa Fillo asked about help for classified pay. Brett indicated increasing administration pay doesn't resonate with community. The need to publicize to the community what the district did get with the last MLO success is important. The district will make presentations when requested and will have materials for school leaders to present

### **Unfinished Business**

- a. Subcommittee updates:
  - Budget subcommittee – couple MLO approved some/not approved some – due to needing more information; looking for spending priorities from some of the schools still – give them to Erica ([ewest@d49.org](mailto:ewest@d49.org) or [ericawest2015@gmail.com](mailto:ericawest2015@gmail.com))
  - Bylaws subcommittee – has not met
  - Charter Subcommittee
  - Parent Engagement subcommittee – has not met
  - School conduct and discipline code subcommittee – will develop a path to take resolution to the board
  - Unified Improvement Plan subcommittee – Mar. 2 – 4:00-5:30
  - Zone subcommittee – has not met
- b. District Initiatives for 2015-2016
  - Primary Literacy
  - 49 Pathways
- c. Bylaws Discussion – The DAAC Bylaws Subcommittee might propose that once an application is submitted to the DAAC Exec Committee, the person becomes a voting member until the BOE votes otherwise.
- d. Chair presents bylaws to the BOE (Feb 24, 2016)
- e. Falcon Education Foundation Dinner April 22, 2016 – Reservations being taken, Marriott in Corporate Center

### **New Business**

- a. Food Tasting – Vista Ridge – 4:30 p.m. – Mar. 16 – in the Black Box
- b. Meeting Attendance

School Reports – use to report items of interest; new programs; successful programs

**FMS** – looking at restructuring exploratory classes next year to align with student interests; piloting a new crisis/safety alert system

**SES** - Jump Rope for Heart raised more money than last year; would like ideas how to perform fun run without interfering with classes and learning

**FHS** – SAC newly constituted – 10 members; 3 AFA appointments and 1 USMA appointment; state bowling champs; cheer team going to national competition; cyber team in semi finals

**PPSEL** – adopted MYON – online literacy program

**VRHS** – state BB playoffs; ASPIRE testing – data back in two weeks and distributed to teachers so they know where students are; a parent said their student enjoyed testing

**SMS** – piloting a crisis alert system; health expo upcoming; SCHS and VRHS students came to present to 8<sup>th</sup> grade; will welcome new 5<sup>th</sup> graders; UCCS teacher education program to improve the quality of education for students – pulling students from the engineering program to put in UCCS Teacher Program; PTSA helped purchase the mural created by students

**OES** – science fair for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades; google expedition for 2-5 graders to cycle through 30 journeys – March 1; 400 enjoyed dads for donuts event

**HMS** – Joy Club involved in the community with veterans coalition; NJHS tutoring kids - the program is building – providing leadership for the NJHS students; art expo - music program; McDonalds Teacher of the Month recognition

**SRES** – UIP to BOE; parent survey – poor turnout – looking for suggestions to improve participation; would like communication on nutrition services food tasting

**WHES** – UIP reviewed last month; reviewing budget priorities; Falcon Zone Coalition formed

**RMCA** – reviewed UIP – Scantron results show growth; Kindergarten only one student in red; 5K challenge coming up

**SCHS** – innovation test prep, boys and girls basketball won the golden ball trophy for the district

Need SACs to meet on different dates than DAAC. Dates of DAAC are posted on website. Concurrent enrollment, can we get a presentation – yes, in April. 2017 election couple board members open seats.

Caucuses are March 1. Good way to be involved and show older students political process.

The meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Karen Hobson, Secretary

Approved 3-23-16 \_\_\_\_\_

Attached:  
2-23-16 – Sign In Sheet  
CBO Presentation

<u>Name</u>	<u>School/Parent</u>	<u>Signature</u>
Christianna Fogler	Admin Rep Charter	
David Knoche	Admin Rep Elem	
	Admin Rep Homeschool	
Cheryl DeGeorge	Admin Rep HS	present
Lisa Fillo	Admin Rep MS	present
	Admin Rep Parent	
Spencer Molnar	BLRA (pending)	
Tammy Harold	BOE Alternate	present
Louis Fletcher	CEO Liaison	present
Alfred Coxe	Community	present
Shaunna Walewski	EIES	
Christine Dodson	EIES/Teacher	
Janet Frazier	FES/Teacher	
Melissa Ardolf	FES	
Dana Palmer	FHS	excused
	FMS	
Carolyn Gery	GOAL	
Shelly Demetrelis	HMS	present
David Rex	IIR/Vice-Chair	present
Karen Hobson	Member at Large	present
Kris Levi	MRES/Teacher	present
Charice Boynton	OES (pending)	present
Michelle Przytulski	OES (pending)	present
Patricia Claman	PLC (pending)	
Joanne Wheeler	PPSEL/Teacher	present
Melanie McAllister	RES	excused
Michelle Wendt	RMCA	
Claudine Dickson	RVES	present

**Location**  
**Board of Education room**

**DAAC**  
**2/23/16**

<u>Name</u>	<u>School/Parent</u>	<u>Signature</u>
	SCHS	
Dave Cruson	SES	present
Erica West	SMS/Chair	present
Matt Landon	SRES	present
John Schymos	SRES - alt	
	SSAE	
Tambria Miller	VRHS	present
John Newbill	WHES	present
Marie Kuhn	SES guest	present
Sarah McAfee	OES guest	present
Becky Lenzmeier	RMCA guest	present
Mr. Izzy	RMCA guest	present
Ron Sprinz	Finance	present