

The Accountability Committee convened on June 30, 2003 at Cyndi Baird's home at 7:00 p.m. Attendees: Cyndi Baird (Chair), Maureen Burkhart, Angie Lull, Cyndi Eddington, Monica Yearick, Courtney Yearick, Micah Hoefling, Kiersi Burkhart, Carolyn Janssen, Lisa Gjellum, Janice Whitaker, Glenda Watters, Rob Schroeder, and Peggy Danielson.

The meeting opened with introductions of all those in attendance.

Cyndi Baird reviewed the actions/responsibilities of the AC during the 2002-'03 school year:

- § Hosted visit by Colorado League of Charter Schools; we are now accredited for 5 years.
- § Surveyed parents, students, teachers, and staff. Compiled and published results.
- § Established suggestion boxes and distributed suggestions for action by appropriate person or committee.
- § Established PEAK Forums as means of communication.
- § Prepared Accountability Report including summary of recommendations, changes, and results.

#### STUDENT COUNCIL

Micah Hoefling, High School Student Council President, reviewed the Student Council's general agenda for the coming year. Their goal is to work on small issues early in the year (e.g., hats and gum), and then tackle major issues such as open campus, more pep rallies and student-run events. He also indicated that establishment of more sports teams is a high priority.

#### Student Council Discussion:

It was suggested that the meeting time for Student Council should be set to accommodate maximum participation. (Lunch meetings seem to be a problem.)

ACTION: Student Council needs to set a meeting time.

ACTION: Student Council needs to propose a process to select class representatives.

(By when and to whom?)

School newspaper should be used to communicate activities and deadlines to sign up.

Student Council needs to raise money for activities. It was suggested that class dues could be assessed and the money would stay with the class through graduation. All fundraising activities need to be approved through the Fundraising Committee.

ACTION: Student Council needs a Fundraising Committee liaison.

Students want to see more substance in clubs/productions (e.g., drama, yearbook).

ACTION: Cyndi Eddington will check with Mr. Chandler about the process and deadlines for adding clubs.

ACTION: Student Council will figure out how to determine which clubs to get started.

ACTION: Carolyn Janssen will find out about community service through NHS and JNHS.

#### ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR '03-'04

- § Provide representation for PAC (Parent Accountability Committee) and DAC (District Accountability Committee).
- § Prepare annual End of Year (EOY) and School Improvement Plan (SIP) reports to the

Boulder Valley School District

- \$ Top 100 Subcommittee to become an active player in school decisions.
- \$ Continue Suggestion Box collection, reporting and distributing comments when appropriate.
- \$ Conduct PEAK Forums on a regular basis.
- \$ Conduct annual surveys and report results to community and Board of Directors.

First PEAK Forum meeting in September will address communication. Goals for the year will be identified. Registration will provide people with information on how to contact the appropriate person and/or committee with concerns or questions.

MISCELLANEOUS ISSUES/CONCERNS

- \$ The published list of student fees for '03-'04 (distributed at end of school year) did not include fee for postgraduate center.
- \$ Question: Will the voting record of the individual Board of Directors be published?
- \$ There was a philosophical discussion about whether the AC should simply report what happens at year-end or continually monitor progress toward goals. The consensus was that the AC should review progress toward goals. ACTION: AC will need to propose a procedure to the BOD.
- \$ The AC recommendation deadline has been extended. ACTION: Cyndi Baird will get new date on goals and objectives.
- \$ It was suggested that structured committee reports would make it easier to track progress on action items and convey information on deadlines. ACTION: Cyndi Baird will ask Chris Howard if the BOD is addressing this issue.
- \$ Student/Teacher Exit interviews: Any trends or common concerns that can be gleaned from the interviews should be forwarded to the responsible committees.