

Peak to Peak Accountability Committee

Minutes to October 26, 2007 Meeting

Attendees: Cyndi Baird, Tahllee Baynard, Susan Bird, Dara Blanchette, Lisa Gaskins, David Hazen, Renata Nadolski,

Began at 8:15

Lisa Gaskins called the meeting to order.

Minutes of September 14, 2007 were approved.

P2P Board Meeting Attendance:

Note: the Nov. 1 meeting has been changed to a development work session for all the board members, so the AC members will not be asked to attend.

November 1: Becky S, Jennifer B, and Allison

November 7: Susan B, Lisa G, Cyndi B, Allison O and Becky S

November 15: Renata N and Allison O

November 29: Lisa G, Jennifer B (Becky S backup)

December 13: Susan B and Cheri W

P2P Board Meeting Updates:

It was discussed that some level of informal report should come back to the AC from those who have attended Board meetings, particularly on issues of interest to the AC. Therefore, here is a summary of the items of interest that were discussed:

1). The curriculum committee will be updated and revamped to become more of an open committee with Mr. Fontana and Tahllee Baynard taking the lead on proposing a plan for the committee, including purpose, membership, meeting schedule, etc.

2). The following committees are to remain for the near future; Hiring/Organizational Development (HOD), Accountability Committee (AC), Curriculum (re-structured), Budget, Facilities (when needed) and Election (annually for 3 months prior to Board elections). An AC member may be asked to attend the quarterly budget meeting to assure alignment with Strategic Plan. Not formalized yet.

3). At the 10/18/07 meeting, Jim Griffin (CLCS) spoke to the board concerning the negative remarks from a Boulder representative at the State Legislature. Tahllee Baynard commented that the board will be taking a prudent approach.

Parent Survey Response Status:

Copies of the current draft of the response to the parent survey was reviewed and discussed at length. A number of changes and ideas were identified and Lisa Gaskins took notes to make the revisions. Included in the Parent Survey Response process will be a set of recommendations that the AC will present to the Board as a result of the surveys.

Review of School Improvement Plan:

The district begins its review of TIES and our DAC representative, Allison O'Dowd will be leading the team that is reviewing three other BVSD schools. Lisa Gaskins will be attending the interview process with Peak to Peak administrators.

Strategic Plan Follow Up:

The Board of Directors approved the Strategic Plan during the October 18, 2007 meeting. Sheryl Shafer is responsible for communicating the strategic plan to the Peak to Peak Community. It will be presented along the lines of objectives instead of perspectives as a way more people will be able to understand how it impacts the school and the decisions that are made.

Blue Ribbon Schools:

The Blue Ribbon letter has been approved by the AC and sent to Mr. Fontana for signature and sending.

Action Items:

1. Lisa G. to contact Tim C. (Board President) to discuss the AC involvement in the Budget committee.
2. Renata N. to follow-up with Ashley Johnson concerning the use of a community service column within the Speak to Peak to highlight students' involvement in the community. Also ask about having student pictures included.
3. Cyndi B. to check with school on who the contact is for setting up new activities / clubs within the secondary school. Also, check with the principals (MS/HS) for any new activities that began last year and this year.
4. Dara B. will check in the dining hall for use of or room for a bulletin board advertising activities within the school.
5. Tahllee B. will check with Mr. Fontana on the status of the Blue Ribbon letter. It should be sent out this week as the deadline for state recommendations early November.
6. Tim C., as Board president, will draft a letter from the board as a cover to the parent survey response. Dara B. will follow-up with Tim on that letter.
7. Susan B. will investigate how to mail this parent survey response out to the community.
8. Cyndi B. will summarize the recommendations from the AC to the Board as a result of the parent survey and email them to the AC prior to sending them to the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cyndi Baird
Secretary, Accountability Committee