

**FISCAL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (FOC) MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, March 9, 2017 - 6:30 to 8:00pm**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**In attendance:**

Justin Carter	Kati Knisley, LRPC
Jack Christensen	Vincent Pirrello
Judi Dinkel	Kerrie Riker-Keller, Chair
Sasha Franger	Ted Stroud
Lisa Geringer	Dave Usechek, Recorder
Lisa Gillette	Bonnie Betz
John Groom, Vice Chair	Judi Reynolds, BoE Liaison
Dilpreet Jammu	Joann Lee

**Absent:**

Jana Schleusner  
Scott Smith

**Guest:**

Tim Krug, Community Member  
Director Anne-Marie Lemieux, Board of Education  
Director Wendy Vogel, Board of Education  
Marco Fields, DAC  
Brian Wetterling, DAC Vice Chair  
Mario Harding, DAC

**I. Information Item**

DAC Overview – Brian Wetterling, DAC Vice Chair, and Mario Harding, a standing DAC member, provided a high level presentation regarding the duties of the DAC. The DAC meets monthly throughout the year and makes recommendations to the Board regarding spending District money, charter school applications, improvement plans and parent engagement plans. The committee also makes recommendations for areas and issues for study, as well as providing input on teacher and principal assessment tools.

**II. Announcements:**

- Welcome new members – Chair, Kerrie Riker-Keller welcomed the new members to the committee.
- Resignation of Phil Smith – Chair, Kerrie Riker-Keller announced the resignation of member Phil Smith.

**III. Action Items/Discussion Items**

- a) **Adoption of Minutes of February 9, 2017** – John Groom moved and Jack Christensen seconded that the minutes of February 9, 2017 be approved. The motion passed.
- b) **Code of Ethics & Conduct Review** – Tabled for the April meeting.

**IV. Information Item/Reports**

- a) **Charter School Funding Overview** – CFO, Bonnie Betz provided a high-level review of charter school funding processes. Ms. Betz emphasized the pass through allocation revenue and purchased services comparison.
- b) **District Issues and Concerns**
  - Role of the FOC – Tabled for the April meeting.
  - Zero Based Budgeting Review – Tabled for the April meeting.

- Joint BoE Sub Committee – The Joint Subcommittee gathered information and explored various potential solutions to current capital needs and ongoing fiscal challenges in DCSD. A recommendation to request a ballot measure in November of 2018 was presented to the Board of Education on March 7, 2017.

**V. Public Participation**

- Community member, Tim Krug, asked why the MLO funding for charter schools differs from the District neighborhood schools?  
CFO Betz reported that all students in Douglas County School District receive a prorated share of MLO revenue. The \$33.7M is divided by the total DCSD funded pupil count (FPC) to arrive at about \$550/student. This dollar amount is passed through to charter schools on a per student basis. Pursuant to the 2006 MLO ballot measure, \$60/student is to be allocated to each neighborhood school at the discretion of the SAC's. The remaining \$490/student is allocated to support excess costs associated with special education and transportation. Charter schools generally do not provide transportation and of this \$550/student about \$200/student comes back to DCSD on their pro-rated by student SPED excess costs.
- Community member, Tim Krug also asked if all the secondary budget cuts will be restored by the end of this week to offset negative impacts to the students?  
CFO Betz reported that the focus right now is to balance the budget with all the increases in costs and to allocate any further savings to a pay increase for all staff members.

**VI. Future Agenda Items**

The committee was asked if they would like any items put on the agenda for future discussion.

The following items were listed:

- Code of Ethics and Conducts
- Bylaws Appendix Review
- Role of the FOC
- Zero Based Budgeting Review
- Cash Flow PPR Comparison to Charters vs. Neighborhood Schools

**Meeting Adjourned:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.