



District Accountability Committee

DAC Officer Retreat

July 10, 2017

6:00 p.m.

Wilcox Building: Board of Education Room

People Present- Brandi Butt, Marco Fields, Melody Fields, Steve Cook, Chris Pratt, Will Trachman, Tom McMillen

DAC Purpose

Steve- We need to have a clear purpose in what we will be doing this upcoming year. There are 3-4 areas that we seem to be lacking in, which include CART, Board Liaisons, and Budget Priority Process.

Code of Conduct for DAC Members- The FOC, LRP, and Joint Subcommittee all are adopting a code of conduct that is basically the same across the board. We are looking at bringing it to the DAC to see if they would like to adopt the same or possibly look at creating one that is different. Bring it up in August and continue this through September.

Recommendations to the Board

We are making our own rules here and trying to figure out how to work cooperatively with the fractured Board. The DAC chair and the board liaisons should be dialoguing. This should be a written request to Tammy (secretary to the Board) asking for time to address the issues. The most detailed our request, the more likely they will listen and want to work cooperatively. Conversations should be done informally between Brandi and the Board liaisons to help move things forward if we are not getting silence from the Board. Tammy sends out a weekly update to the Board so by going to her, it will allow all of them to know that we are requesting something.

We could put a formal request every August to ask what they would like us to work on for the year.

Chris left at 6:42

CART Review Process

There will be a little bit of tweaking of the process. We, as the DAC, might not be doing enough. There hasn't been sufficient interest from the DAC to engage in this process, as it is very long. We don't want to have a DAC opinion that is different from the CART process. Also, this is supposed to be done prior to 15 days before the Board meeting. 2 members of the DAC need to be on the CART (1 should be a parent). Cycle begins March 15 and this should be 90 days. The interview is the most important piece because they may look stellar on paper, but not be able to even answer questions that are directly related to what they have on paper. Could we include a written recommendation? CART is changing to a fall and spring cycle this year (we

will need to have this approved by the state). Then hopefully this will become a 2 year cycle, instead of an 18 month cycle.

BYLAWS

Decision- Making Process

When someone does not agree and there is not consensus. We need to move to step 2, which allows us to go to Robert's Rules. 99% of the time, a majority rules vote is fine. Robert's Rules are beneficial when there are several competing issues and not just one thing.

Open Meetings

We do not have to keep Compliance with Colorado's Open Meeting Law. We should change to "to the extent required by law, all meetings shall be open to the public" according to Will.

Representative Capacity

Maybe change the wording, to the extent "legal"

Parental Engagement

Do we put something in our ByLaws? The policy is the Board's issue. DAC will talk about this as procedures.

Calendar and Budget

CITE committee is supposed to have a parent, administrator, principal, teacher, and community member (w/o a student). In Bylaws, we could to give notice to future leadership that our members might want to be able to do certain committee jobs.

Budget- Late September/ October special DAC session to inform SAC's of what we will be needing to bring more meaningful information. We need to put the Budget on the August agenda.