



MINUTES

DSST Public Schools Board Meeting
April 16, 2026
DSST: Home Office

Meeting Called to Order: 2:12 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Alyssa Whitehead-Bust*
Andrew Goldin
David Greenberg
Deanna Campos Miller*
Dominick Moreno*
Fatima Rezaie
Dr. Jean Kutner
Jim Taylor
Mary Haynes
Medford Moorer*
Patrick O'Rourke

Parent/Guardian Present: None

Board Members Absent: Andrew Sinclair, Billy Brown, David Suppes

DSST Staff Present: Dr. Aaron Griffen, Andrew Mendrop, Analise Gonzalez-Fine, Dr. Antwan Wilson, Carrie Ramsey, Jacob Roddy, Kaitlin Glenn, Luisa Harkins, Nella García Urban, Nick Plantan, Tamara Ghandour

DPS Staff Present: None

Others Present: None

Public Comment: None

* = Joined virtually

Welcome:

Mr. O'Rourke welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Approval Items:

Motion to approve previous board meeting minutes (February 12, 2026), Taylor

Second: Haynes

Vote: Unanimous approval



Motion to approve updated Board Bylaws, Kutner

Second: Greenberg

Vote: Unanimous approval

Discussion:

CEO Report:

Mr. Wilson shared an academic performance update, highlighting progress in math and reading, and assessment status. He shared ongoing efforts to address challenges in 8th grade and attendance.

Ms. Ghandour and Mr. Plantan shared an update on the successful legislative action to include DSST in the PERA program.

Ms. García Urban provided updates to the board on school leadership transitions and succession planning. She also shared information on the 360 review process for Home Office senior leaders.

Enrollment Strategic Discussion

Ms. Garcia Urban discussed the declining enrollment trends in Denver and Aurora, the factors driving these changes, and DSST's multi-pronged strategy to maintain and grow enrollment through quality, community engagement, and targeted recruitment. The board engaged in small group discussions to affirm or accelerate DSST's approach.

26-27 Board Scope and Sequence:

Mr. O'Rourke shared a proposed board meeting schedule for the 2026-27 school year for board input.

Reports:

The Advancement & Nominating Committee shared an update on fundraising, upcoming external events, and board member nominations.

Executive Session:

Mr. O'Rourke stated, "I would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session as permitted by the Colorado Open Meetings Act for the purpose of considering the following matters:



Colorado Revised Statute 24-6-402

- (4) (c) Confidential Legal Matters: Discussions on matters required to be kept confidential by federal or state law, or rules/regulations.

Motion to go into Executive Session, Goldin

Second: Rezaie

Vote: Unanimous approval

Motion to adjourn Executive Session, Greenberg

Second: Haynes

Vote: Unanimous approval

Motion to adjourn board meeting, Haynes

Second: Kutner

Vote: Unanimous approval

Respectfully Submitted,

Luisa Harkins (note-taker), Secretary