

MINUTES

DSST Public Schools Board Meeting

January 18, 2018

DSST: Cole High School, Room 206

Meeting Called to Order: 2:34 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Alex Hernandez*
David Greenberg
Deborah McGriff
Dwight Jones*
Gina Rodriguez
Gloria Zamora
Greg Sissel*
Justin Jaschke
Patrick O'Keefe
Peter Fritzing
Sean VanBerschoot
Teresa Berryman

*Attended via conference call

Parent Present: Chris Paoletti (Byers STP)

Board Members Absent: George Sparks, Glenn Russo, Patrick O'Rourke

DSST Staff Present: Ariel Smith, Bill Kurtz, Christine Nelson, Heather Lamm, Katie Glenn, Nicholas Martinez, Scott Walker, Becca Bloch

DPS Staff Present: None

Welcome

Ms. Zamora welcomed everyone to the meeting and had meeting attendees participate in an icebreaker.

School Director Q&A: Becca Bloch, DSST: Cole Campus (6-12). Ms. Bloch provided a brief update on Cole Middle School and High School and then proceeded to have a Q&A with the board. Ms. Bloch left the meeting at the conclusion of the Q&A.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve previous board meeting minutes, Jaschke

Second: O'Keefe

Vote: Unanimous Approval

Motion to approve FY18 Budget Reset, Fritzing

Second: McGriff

Vote: Unanimous Approval

Motion to nominate Peter Fritzing to the DSST Foundation, Greenberg

Second: Rodriguez

Vote: Unanimous Approval

Discussion:

Ms. Zamora introduced the discussion on DSST's Building and Growth Strategy by stating that the goal today is to gather input from the board on how DSST proceeds and assess the following items.

- 1) Does the proposed growth assessment process capture the right variables?
 - a. The board requested that Mr. Kurtz add Human Capital as a variable.
- 2) Based on the historical SPF data provided, what is the board's input on the SPF criteria for green, yellow and red status in the annual strategic considerations?
- 3) Does board affirm management's strategy to pursue further exploration of private and public facilities for growth within the facility considerations below?

The board then continued by engaging in discussion regarding DSST's Building and Growth Strategy.

Ms. Lamm introduced Alan Gottlieb. Mr. Gottlieb is the owner of Write. Edit. Think. LLC which is an independent communications consulting firm. Mr. Gottlieb also founded Education News Colorado and co-founded Chalkbeat. Mr. Gottlieb led a discussion with our board regarding the Strengthening Neighborhoods Committees' Recommendations.

Reports

Mr. Kurtz shared a few updates in his CEO Report. These updates included enrollment and the upcoming opening of Round 1 School Choice, Henry High School, and an update on DSST's Change Goals.

Mr. VanBerschoot shared that the Advancement Committee has named a search firm for finding a new Director of Development. Mr. VanBerschoot also shared that we will be honoring Senator Michael Bennett on April 27th at Slice of Pi this year. Mr. VanBerschoot continued his update by stating that he hopes it's been a pleasant process for the board's 1:1s with Bill Tortorici (DSST's Senior Manager of Development) and the Development Team. He concluded his update by providing a brief overview of upcoming key events. These events included A Night to Celebrate Exemplary Teaching, February foundation breakfast, a gathering to build a prospect pipeline, Slice of Pi events (pre-party, event, after party), and Senior Signing Day.

The Executive Committee did not have an update/report to share at this meeting.

The Audit Committee did not have an update/report to share at this meeting.

The Finance and Operations Committee did not have an update/report to share at this meeting.

The Nominating and Governance Committee did not have an update/report to share at this meeting.

The Education and Technology Committee did not have an update/report to share at this meeting.

New Business: None

Executive Session

Ms. Zamora stated, "I would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session as permitted under the Colorado Revised Statutes section 24-6-402 (f) to the purpose of:

(f) (I) Personnel matters except if the employee who is the subject of the session has requested an open meeting, or if the personnel matter involves more than one employee, all of the employees have requested an open meeting. With respect to hearings held pursuant to the "Teacher Employment, Compensation, and Dismissal Act of 1990", article 63 of title 22, C.R.S., the provisions of section 22-63-302 (7) (a), C.R.S., shall govern in lieu of the provisions of this subsection (4).

Motion to end regular board meeting at 5:15pm, Berryman

Second: Greenberg

Vote: Unanimous approval

Motion to go into Executive Session at 5:15pm, Jaschke

Second: McGriff

Vote: Unanimous approval

Motion to end Executive Session at 5:30pm, Berryman

Second: Greenberg

Vote: Unanimous approval

Respectfully Submitted,

Katie Glenn (note-taker) for Sean VanBerschoot, Secretary