

MINUTES

DSST Public Schools Board Meeting
November 16, 2017
DSST: Stapleton Middle School, Room 122

Meeting Called to Order: 2:35 p.m.

Board Members Present:

David Greenberg
Deborah McGriff*
Dwight Jones*
George Sparks*
Gina Rodriguez
Glenn Russo
Gloria Zamora
Greg Sissel
Justin Jaschke
Patrick O'Keefe*
Peter Fritzinger
Sean VanBerschoot

*Attended via conference call

Parent Present: Lolly Block (Stapleton HS and Cole HS Parent)

Board Members Absent: Alex Hernandez, Patrick O'Rourke, Teresa Berryman

DSST Staff Present: Bill Kurtz, Christine Nelson, Heather Lamm, Katie Glenn, Scott Walker, Dan Sullivan

DPS Staff Present: None

Welcome

Ms. Zamora welcomed everyone to the meeting.

School Director Q&A: Dan Sullivan, DSST: Stapleton Middle School. Mr. Sullivan provided a brief update on Stapleton Middle School and then proceeded to have a Q&A with the board. Mr. Sullivan left the meeting at the conclusion of the Q&A.

Public Comment: Four students from DSST: Green Valley Ranch High School shared their concerns around student voice, additional extracurricular activities/teams, and DSST expanding too fast.

Motion to approve previous board meeting minutes, Fritzinger

Second: Jaschke

Vote: Unanimous Approval

Motion to approve Committee Charters, Sissel

Second: Russo

Vote: Unanimous Approval

Discussion: Ms. Lamm presented a PowerPoint on Integrated Schools. Following Ms. Lamm's presentation the board heard from Dan Sullivan, Stapleton Middle School's School Director. After Mr. Sullivan's overview and Q & A, Mr. Walker shared that changes have been made to the board policy manual and the updated version was sent out with the board book as well as posted on the board website. The final item was a brief recap of the board retreat in October in which Mr. Kurtz led the discussion.

Reports

Mr. Kurtz shared several updates in his CEO Report. These updates included the approval of our contract with Aurora Public Schools, the hiring of Joe Saboe (Director of Strategy and Partnerships), first trimester results and goals, our strategic planning process, and lastly this year's Slice of Pi honoree.

The Executive Committee shared that they had an in depth conversation in their committee meeting about board retreat takeaways and where things are heading.

The Education Committee shared that they discussed the integrated schools report in their committee meeting and takeaways from it.

Ms. Zamora reported for Ms. Berryman and asked if the board had any questions regarding the Finance and Operations Committee report in the board book.

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

Mr. VanBerschot shared that the Advancement Committee has a two prong development strategy this year and what that involves for the board.

Mr. Jaschke shared that the Nominating and Governance Committee are continuing to focus on recruiting 3-4 new board members this coming year. He also emphasized to the board to please send the committee, potential candidates.

New Business: None

Executive Session

Ms. Gloria 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 5:12pm, Rodriguez

Second: Greenberg

Vote: Unanimous approval

Motion to go into Executive Session at 5:12pm, Greenberg

Second: Fritzing

Vote: Unanimous approval

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

Second: Fritzing

Vote: Unanimous approval

Respectfully Submitted,

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