

PSD District Advisory Board

January 9, 2023
7:00pm-9:00pm
Boardroom

MEETING MINUTES

Attendance:

Queen (Chair Elect); Jenna Coleman (Bamford); Ashley Barrett (Bauder); Lisa Verbsky (Bennett); Carrie DeJulio (CLP Elementary); Erica Daniell (CLP Elementary, CLP MS, DAC); Lindsay Steele-Idem (Dunn); Karrie Grama-Hatfield (Kruse); Jami Montoya (Laurel); Nicole Hirschfield (Riffenburgh, Leshar Middle); Ethnie Treik (McGraw); Taylor Ritchie (Olander); Gaylene Moldt (Rice); Erika Michalski (Shepardson); Faith Fritsch (Blevins); Jennifer Klapperich (Preston); Angela Lindquist (CLP MS, Poudre, DAB Membership Chair, DAC); Janna Walker (Academic Committee Liaison, Kinard); Thomas Colino (Kinard); Jenna Goupil (Poudre High); Jodi Quass (PGA, Compass); Michelle Duncan (DAB Secretary, Liberty Common); Mike Werner (DAB-DAC Liaison); Dustin R, Mason R, Owen A (Boy Scout Troop 97); Bianca Trujillo (Community Visitor); Jessica Zamora (Board of Education); Marlena Gross-Taylor (Chief Equity and Academic Officer)

I. Welcome

- a. DAB Chair Elect Queen called the meeting to order. Welcomed everyone in attendance and informed the members that she was heading the meeting in DAB Chair S. Schoenbauer's absence. Welcomed J. Zamora, PSD board member, who was attending in J. Brokish's absence.
- b. J. Zamora explained that she would also provide a Board Update to DAB members in the same manner as J. Brokish did for the last meeting.
- c. Approval of the Minutes: Both November and December Minutes were approved without objection.

II. Committee Updates

- a. **Membership Chair:** A. Lindquist reported. Welcomed the Boy Scouts who were in attendance, working on a community project.
- b. **Academic Chair:** J. Walker did not have much to report, other than the 3 Community Engagement Sessions coming next week:
 1. January 17 at Eyestone Elementary School.
 2. January 18 at Rocky Mountain High School.
 3. January 19 at Fossil Ridge High School.

The 3 potential vendors of new elementary literacy program will be presenting their curriculum. The meetings are from 6:00 to 8:00 and the information will be the same at all meetings.

- c. **Legislative Committee:** L. Martin was not in attendance.
- d. **District Accountability Committee:** M. Werner reported. There were no DAC updates as there was not a December meeting. Explained that there were over 600 people who attended the Open House for the Future's Lab on December 14, 2022. Said it was an eye-opening experience, and that there were plans to hold another Open House sometime in the Spring.
- e. Queen discussed the option for members to leave questions, inquiries, or feedback on sticky notes, which are to be stuck to the side of the table for collection later.

III. Elementary Literacy Update-J. Passantino, Director of Curriculum.

- a. Explained that literacy was a District priority as literacy is the gateway to learning. Gave a presentation to the members outlining the process of the new literacy program. Literacy is defined as reading, writing and communications skills.
- b. A link to the PSD website regarding the new Elementary Literacy curriculum is provided here: <https://www.psdschools.org/academics/literacy-materials-adoption>. More information is available on the website, as well as an area where feedback regarding the curriculum can be submitted.
- c. J. Passantino explained that there is a move from balanced literacy to structural literacy, as the state of Colorado is shifting to structural literacy. M. Gross-Taylor explained that the potential vendors were chosen from a list of vendors as required by the State of Colorado and narrowed down to 3.
- d. The vendor finalists for potential literacy curriculum:
 - 1. Amplify CKLA
 - 2. Imagine EL
 - 3. Into Reading
- e. The next steps are the Community Engagement Sessions, which were outlined above. Also mentioned was an article in the Coloradoan which provides additional information:
<https://www.coloradoan.com/story/news/education/2023/01/10/poudre-school-district-sets-public-meetings-for-review-of-elementary-k-5-literacy-curriculum-options/69785779007/>
- f. The presentation ended with an opportunity for DAB members to ask questions.

IV. Closing

- a. Adjournment: Queen concluded the meeting at 8:45 pm.

--Michelle Duncan, DAB Secretary