



## School Accountability Committee Minutes

Date: 10/26/2023

In attendance:

Principal: Amie Weldy	Chair: Dani Govan
Vice Chair: Andrew Morrison	Student: Dillan Govan
Student:	Guide: Michelle Oray
Community Member:	Parent Members: Amy Clement
Parent Members:	Parent Action Crew Representative: Rebecca Christoffersen
Visitors:	Absent: Jessica Cummings

1. Call meeting to order 6:05pm
2. Review and approval of last meeting minutes - approved
3. Principal Updates
  - a. Enrollment numbers: 372 with 3 new intents
  - b. 1st Quarter Exhibition Night - ran smoothly
  - c. 1st Quarter Accelerator Week - Celebrating the successes
  - d. UIP: Long- and short-term goals submitted to the Board & 27J. Focusing on student engagement and growth
  - e. Strategic Plan: Board goals are in draft form; to share at next SAC meeting
  - f. New Guide orientation is ongoing including mentors and support discussions, instructional coaching and observation and feedback
  - g. 27J Compliance
  - h. STEAD Driving: new e-van 12 passengers to be delivered tomorrow; staff being trained/certified to drive buses. Will help with travel costs for internships/accelerators
  - i. Recruitment efforts are starting. Visiting middle schools. Landmark Academy visit went well
  - j. Exhibition night went well
  - k. Refinance debt related to our buildings; 27J Bond money supported CAL3 and greenhouse. Refinancing will lower monthly payments and release some money to continue construction for the final building.
4. Governing board
  - a. Next meeting is scheduled for November 6th
  - b. New Board Chair expected
  - c. Board members will be present during the celebration ribbon cutting ceremony tomorrow. Governor Polis will be present and possible to be getting the money from the Daniels fund through the CCSP grant.
5. Budget
  - a. Revised budget is in work and will need to be approved at the next SAC meeting
  - b. Overall we are in a good spot with the budget - balanced even without the refinance



- c. Refinancing will still open new possibilities
- d. Staffed well; looking to fill open position
- 6. 27J DAC
  - a. Celebrate: only school that has everyone on the SAC show up for meetings
  - b. Each monthly meeting is a choice between observing school UIP presentations to the 27J board. There is nothing to report back to the SAC.
  - c. Decided it was not necessary to have a representative attend every 27J DAC meeting outside of those where The STEAD school was not presenting.
- 7. PAC
  - a. Two PAC meetings have occurred since the last SAC meeting
    - i. Structure - Designated officers, action based, committees are established (events, fundraising, staff appreciation, and exhibition night)
    - ii. New Co-Chair has been identified: Renee Trujillo
    - iii. Still have about 85 parents involved
    - iv. Events: Chaperone at the fall dance
    - v. Priorities have been fundraising and creating Spirit Nights: Dions made about \$400, Gis Tacos about \$410 and Red Robin was earlier this week.
    - vi. Exhibition Night Concessions raised about \$350 - Big hit at Exhibition night
    - vii. More students have joined PAC as well
    - viii. Able to assist Blake and Student Leadership with the Fall Festival Nov 10th
    - ix. Possible float for the parade of lights, Dec 9
    - x. Getting ideas for staff appreciation this December or to support ideas from the governing board regarding staff appreciation events these Holidays
    - xi. Celebration that the PAC currently has over 3,000 raised for events
    - xii. Next PAC meeting is November 1, 2023
    - xiii. Specific fundraiser ideas? Book fundraiser; general school supplies or craft supplies; paint glue magazines, cotton balls.
- 8. Parent and Community Engagement
  - a. Coffee House Service Project; no plans made yet; hard to find something that is appropriate for students to complete. Monday/Tuesday detention sessions could complete trash cleanup as a restorative practice. May look at bigger projects as something the staff can do together as a team building event.
  - b. Strongman Event: well attended, over 100 spectators and athletes. concession proceeds donated to the school. looking at around \$2,500 - \$3,000 funds raised in total. Possible to do this as an annual event now that the interest is in the community.
- 9. Student Retention
  - a. Action Item: Ideas to bring to the next SAC meeting to improve student retention
  - b. Find retention rates for other choice high schools in the district
  - c. 84% retention rate this year
  - d. KT is working on an exit interview for students/families leaving The STEAD school



10. Accelerator Week Survey
  - a. Only 108 students completed. Extended the deadline and communication will occur to remind and invite participation. Link will be sent via Jupiter
  - b. Results will be reported at the next meeting or sent earlier via email
11. Agenda ADD: Discussion about implementing a college application boot camp for students/parents.
  - a. CollegeBoard
  - b. SAT
  - c. Amie, Christian and Rachel are working on an event to be held in Spring for 11th grade students and parents
12. Agenda ADD: Discussion on additional ways to reach 8th graders before the next school year. Also discussed ways to collect incoming 9th graders class registrations before the end of the school. And discussion with 9th graders before class elections on graduation requirements and planning
13. Visitor Comments: None
14. Student Representative Comments: None
15. Cognia Survey has not been completed and that one needs to be fully completed for requirements for STEM certification. Reminder to be sent.
16. Action Items Review
  - a. Next meeting: January 11, 2024 in CAL 2
  - b. Action Item for all: Student retention ideas
  - c. Amie: College Night event plans with Christian and Rachel; Michelle: sending staff survey results regarding guide favorites/needs and Accelerator Student Survey resend.

Meeting Adjourned 7:34pm