

COLORADO SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT ELEVEN

Dr. Terry Bishop, Superintendent

Operations/Instruction

Dr. Mary Thurman, Deputy Superintendent

DAAC-
Focused on Student Achievement

DAAC Meeting
May 18, 2007

Trish Nixon, Executive DAAC Chairperson pro tem, welcomed 27 representatives and guests to the last regular DAAC Committee of the 2007-2008. The meeting was convened at 6:05 p.m.

The agenda for the meeting was approved as submitted.

Election of Executive DAAC Officers

The following people were elected to Executive DAAC offices:

Shannon Jones	Chairperson
Anita Troughton	Coronado Cluster Representative
Kathleen O'Brien	Mitchell Cluster Representative
Georgia Matteson	Palmer Cluster Representative
Crystal Ross	Teacher Representative
Jose Barrera	Community Representative At-Large
Lyman Kaiser	Community Representative At-Large
Trish Nixon	Community Representative At-Large
Nancy Reinking	Community Representative At-Large
Chuck Theobald	Community Representative At-Large

Cluster representatives for Doherty and Wasson were left unfilled. These positions will be elected in August or September 2007.

Executive DAAC officers, DAAC representatives, BAAC chairpersons, and chairpersons of DAAC subcommittees will be presented to the Board of Education for their approval October 2007.

Budget Committee Report

Trish Nixon reported for Wendy Chiado, DAAC Budget Chairperson. She went over the committee's draft report that has already been submitted to DAAC in April. (The report is attached.) The report and recommendations were approved by DAAC and will be given to the Board of Education on June 13, 2007.

The question was asked that since more funds were added to the district's budget in the last few weeks, if DAAC will be looking at the budget revision. Dr. Bishop ensured that copies of the newest revision will be available if DAAC or other community members would like to study it.

Accreditation

Ed Plute provided a performance targets chart for DAAC representatives. This chart gives the projected AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) that schools must meet to be on track to meet "No Child Left Behind" targets. He recommended using this information as BAAC committees and staff revise their school improvement plans and in goal-setting. He also reported that the new accreditation contract will be due in 2008. There will be no meetings for the Accreditation Subcommittee during the summer. There will be school improvement plan training early in the fall.

Ad Hoc DAAC/BAAC Study Subcommittee Report

Shirley Stevens and Lyman Kaiser reported that the report to the Board of Education and Administration will be made June 13, 2007. Shirley stated that a PowerPoint presentation will be provided that illustrate the findings and recommendations of the Ad Hoc Subcommittee. Briefly, the subcommittee recommends some systemic changes that wrap around the 6 national PTA standards and "No Child Left Behind" legislation dealing with parent involvement. The overarching recommendation is that increased parent involvement used effectively at school sites will help to increase student achievement.

SIP

Shirley Stevens also reported on the new school improvement plan template that is on the web and will go live for BAAC/school administrator use in June. Currently, schools are using 4th quarter performance data to set 1st quarter (2007-2008 school year) goals. There are a variety of data available that may be affectively used in setting goals and, although complete CSAP results will be available in July, trends in student achievement for goal-setting for school sites are predictable.

Executive Directors are available to assist both regular schools and charter schools of District 11.

School Configuration & Use Study Committee

The application for participation on the School Configuration and Use Study Committee was provided for DAAC representatives. Applications are due into the district Friday, May 18, 2007. It was explained that this is a very comprehensive committee that will meet often and make its first recommendations to the Board of Education and administration in November or December 2007. The committee, when membership has been determined, will set meeting dates and times in order to meet deadlines for recommendations. Dr. Bishop commented that any recommendations that affect the 2008-2009 school year will have to be made late fall in order to implement changes. There will be a number of subcommittees that will study specific topics.

Recruitment for DAAC and BAAC

Trish Nixon led discussion about the need for every school site to have an active DAAC representative and BAAC committee. Each have a role dedicated to communication and school accountability. It was recommended that asking new members to serve is a springtime activity so that they can come onboard for SIP planning for the coming new school year. Advertising for new members should also be an ongoing event by placing information in school newsletters and any PTA, open house, or other school-wide function with parents.

2007-2008 DAAC Meeting Planning

The following topics were suggested for meeting dates during the 2007-2008 school year:

- DAAC/BAAC Training – To include SIP, Accreditation & Data Interpretation
- Curriculum Management & Data System Briefing
- School Safety and Bully Proofing at Schools
- School Improvement Plan Writing
- DAAC/BAAC Resources
- Group/Education Level Discussions
- Parent Involvement

The discussion of the representatives focused meeting topics to parent involvement. It was recommended that the Ad Hoc DAAC/BAAC Study Committee report could be used to direct the

meeting planning by incorporating its bullet points on parent involvement and increased student achievement.

Other Business

Dr. Bishop and Dr. Thurman spoke on the topic of school safety issues in response to representatives' questions. They reported that the district is looking at various ways to make school buildings and environments safe. As funding is made available, schools are opting to implement systems to ensure safety for staff and students during the school day.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.