

COLORADO SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT ELEVEN

Dr. Terry Bishop, Superintendent

Personnel Support Services

Dr. Mary Thurman, Deputy Superintendent

DAAC-
Focused on Student Achievement

DAAC Meeting
October 16, 2008

The regular meeting of the full DAAC Committee was called to order by Mr. Shannon Jones, Chairperson, at 6:05 p.m.

Introduction

Mr. Jones, DAAC Chairperson requested input regarding great things happening in the District. Dr. Brenda McBrayer was introduced.

Great Things Happening in District 11 –

Dr. McBrayer discussed the following great things happening in our District.

- North Middle School is having a speaker on October 29th at 7:00pm. The program is called Rachel's Challenge. The speaker is the father of the first student who died at Columbine. He will be speaking in regard to bullying.
- Mitchell High School will be having an Hispanic/Latino family collaboration gathering on Wednesday, October 22nd from 6:30 – 8:00pm.
- Lunch to Launch was a meeting of community members, the BOE, students and parents. The discussion was about the 21st century learner. Individual task forces will be working on that topic. Eighty people signed up.
- There have been wonderful results in regard to "Closing the Achievement Gap" at Lincoln Elementary and Carver Elementary.
- Adams Elementary School was chosen by T-Mobile to receive school improvement. 150 T-Mobile workers came to Adams, painted and did improvements. Adams also received a \$10,000 check from T-Mobile.
- Shane Mulligan, a teacher at Longfellow Elementary, was selected Teacher of the Year by Walmart. Longfellow received a check for \$1,000.

Mr. Shannon Jones introduced Shannon Bingham, a school demographer, who presented information on the Utilization Study. The purpose of this presentation was to inform us of the broad details of this study. These included the following topics:

- Demographics
- Capacity Models
- D11 capacity model

The evaluation metrics used are:

- Utilization
- School condition
- Finance
- Performance

Information meetings in regard to this topic will be Oct. 20, 21, and 23. The meeting information can be found on the D11 website. The Board of Education will present findings to the Board of Education on Nov. 5, 2008 during their regular scheduled Board Meeting.

Questions/Concerns from the floor –

- How did the study come up with 25 to 1 as the optimal Elementary School number? This doesn't take into consideration Title 1 schools.
- Are the results of the study going to be on the website?
 - The results will be posted on "D11 answers".

Mr. Shannon Jones introduced Mrs. Wendy Chiado who gave the Budget Committee report.

Mr. Jones discussed the roles and responsibilities of the Building Advisory Accountability Committee (BAAC). A hand out was given with a calendar of guidelines a BAAC committee should follow. The three main areas are:

- Student Achievement/Learning Environment
- Prioritization of Expenditures (ask what is happening with accounts)
- Safety – Students, teachers and buildings

Mr. Jones then introduced Dr. Ed Plute who distributed the DAAC accreditation/achievement committee report. Dr. Plute distributed a hand-out with information regarding the accreditation status of each school. This will be discussed in more depth during our next meeting.

The next regular meeting will be held on November 20, 2008, 6:00-7:30 pm at Tesla.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm