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**SAC Meeting 04/02/18 @ 9:15AM - Conference Room**

**SAC BUSINESS:** (Note there are images at bottom regarding 2019/2020 Site Based Budget)

1. Welcome and Introductions- Susan Fisher-Johnston
  - a. Attendees: Susan Fisher-Johnston, Voting parent (Chair)  
Tiffany Grizzle - Voting parent, also in PTIB (Vice-Chair)  
Kayleen Park - Voting parent, PTIB Rep  
Amy Long - Voting parent (Recorder)  
Patti Magby - Principal  
Lori Merritt - PE, Staff Rep.  
Amy Corr - Asst. Principal  
Dave Usechek - community member
2. PTIB Update – Kayleen Park
  - a. Sock Hop netted \$1,355.00
  - b. Goal for Read-a-thon Fundraiser \$10,000 = avg \$27/student
    - i. Funds likely used for technology refresh b/c district has put freeze on tech funds
  - c. Book Fair during April parent teacher conferences - will need volunteers for Book Fair.
  - d. Staff appreciation - 1st week May
  - e. Moms & Muffins in May
  - f. Sagewood has open PTO positions they would like to fill with new parents. Additionally, parents are more than welcome to attend meetings even if they are not PTO members.
3. Staff/School Update (LIM and other) – Lori Merritt
  - a. LIM - measurable results survey: want to encourage all parents to fill out survey. May allow parents access to computers during conferences to submit surveys as well as share links to surveys so they can be filled out at home.
  - b. We have accountability buddies to help students prepare for student led conferences.

**SAC RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. LPE SAC Feb & Mar Minutes Review/Approval – Susan Fisher-Johnston = Approved
2. DAC Update (Feb & Mar meetings) – DAC Liaison/Kayleen Park
  - a. MLO/Bond for November 2018 Ballot
    - i. District hired someone to create an MLO/Bond package to present to the public. Once she finalizes the package, her work for the district is complete and community volunteers can work to share information on the MLO/Bond
    - ii. Community polling regarding MLO/Bond (acceptable amount/how to utilize funds) currently happening.
    - iii. Most likely MLO/Bond scenarios [\$100/year avg homeowner (\$474,000 home) increase]: 30M MLO fund or 20MLO + 250bond initiative (If we approve a bond, that money can only be used for Tier 1 capital needs)
    - iv. 20% of MLO funds would go to charter b/c 20% of DougCo students go to charters.
      1. Taking pulse on charter school capital needs - if \$ is given to charter schools what is the accountability for that money (charter schools building

requirements are not as strict as neighborhood schools) so can they spend MLO \$ on their buildings?

- v. Cherry Creek is funded 4x more than us, JeffCo is 2.7x, Boulder 4.8x, Littleton 3.7x
- vi. Looking at 7M to update security and busses
- b. Discussion regarding teacher compensation
  - i. Compensation gap for staff 3.1M = 1% raise
  - ii. 2015/2016 average DougCo (\$51,274) teacher salary significantly below Cherry Creek (\$67,940), Littleton (\$64,739), Boulder (\$71,574)
- c. Odds and ends from district budgetary discussion:
  - i. State legislature sets budget in May. State is looking at increasing PPF but much of those funds may be used to offset skyrocketing PERA Costs
  - ii. We saw 100 New students in Douglas County in 17/18
  - iii. LRPC Winter Forum: Core Bond – \$204,456,312, Extended Bond - \$292,603,782, Capital Renewal Tier 1 and Fire Alarm (Tier 1 –150th Priority Cut-off) \$104,313,626
  - iv. Ponderosa (17/18 enrollment 1350;capacity is ~2000)
    - 1. Considering expanding Certified Technical Education (Vocational Tech). Pondo has physical space and this could fill a Vocational Tech. gap in DougCo. This would cost money which would come from capital funds.
  - v. Special needs student enrollment has trended up in elementary, but down in HS
  - vi. Patti applied for highly impacted funds
- d. We did not get through all DAC information. Kayleen later emailed the following:
  - 1. Tonight, are the Superintendent search finalists at Chaparral High School starting at 5:30. There is a live stream, however, if you have questions for the moderator, it is best to go in person. Here is the live stream link. <https://livestream.com/DCSDK12/events/7555225>
  - 2. New DAC officer elections coming up in April. May postpone.
  - 3. School Board Update – Building budget from DAC (from SAC Survey Completed earlier this year) will be strongly considered. 2018-19 budget will be very tight, absolutely no wiggle room. Budgets are focusing on SBB and Staff/Employee Compensation. Technology and Transportation will be on a freeze for 2018-19 school year. Andy Jones asked about security upgrades in the bond/MLO discussions. Yes, they are being discussed. (see March 2018 Potential Bond/MIL Scenarios document that I sent yesterday. Mental Health/Security Upgrades included \$7.0M additional funds).
  - 4. UIP Update – Matt Reynolds has been presenting District UIP Updates. Getting back Accreditation with Distinction with the CDE is a high priority.
  - 5. Budget Update – Scott Smith presented. Said most budgets have been submitted to the board already. 2017-18 budgets have been operating in the red. Next school year, 2018-19, budgets must balance. Budget revenue – budget expenditures. See point 3. Highly impacted dollars had to be submitted by Feb. 2. Patti applied for highly impacted \$\$s for LPE and received some extra \$ to help with declining enrollment.
  - 6. CDE Rep Presented (Darcy Hutchins, 303-866-5921; [hutchins\\_d@cde.state.co.us](mailto:hutchins_d@cde.state.co.us)) about partnering with families in student learning. Suggested read: “Beyond the Bake Sale” by Anne T. Henderson
  - 7. LRPC Update – Two Big Items they discussed at their meeting was
    - a. District boundaries to balance funding among schools – would hire a firm to do this as to big a project for parent volunteers
    - b. Ascent Classical Academies wants to use land in Meridian Village to build their K-12 charter school. Land is currently owned by DCSD. Ascent was approved by last year’s board and will be

operating in Apex Community Schools building for one year. Ascent is looking for land in Northern Douglas County by I-25.

### 3. UIP: Final Comments/Feedback – Amy Corr

- a. LPE UIP page 8: participation rates of CMAS/PARCC testing - 2015 = 97.3%, 2016 = 91.4%, 2017 = 89.2% - Participation rates have decreased each year
  - i. 25 students opted out last year - this year we can have 9 kids opt out, but we already have 14 opting out.
  - ii. Allowable opt out rate should be higher and it should take into account our student population/low enrollment.
  - iii. 71.4% of SpEd students took test. Previous did not have enough SpEd students participating in testing.
- b. We have seen growth in math. Scores are down in ELA hence our focus on lit. this year.
- c. Trend of more students on READ Act Plans. More students than just those with significant reading deficiencies are on READ Act Plans.
  - i. If students do not test well, they are put on a READ even if they do well in reading. LPE does not have control over this and, as of this year, teachers can no longer advocate for students to not be put on READ if they are reading at or above level but happen to test poorly.
  - ii. Some students don't test well. For Kindergartners, this may be their first time testing or using a computer/mouse which can negatively impact score.
  - iii. Using a variety of materials and interventionist resources to help students with reading deficiencies including teacher assistance and support from reading recovery specialists.
  - iv. We are moving to iReady - it has a lot of teacher resources.
  - v. State ranks schools based on literacy testing

### 4. Site-Based Budget (SBB) priorities for 18-19 school year - Patti Magby

- a. Last year's priorities included the following (not in rank order): Professional development/teacher support, Interventions for students, Class size, Safety, & Technology
- b. Half of funding is discretionary / half non-discretionary (things like SpEd funding, custodian etc.). Patti shared projected breakdown of 2018/19 discretionary funds (see images below).
  - i. Short 41 students (image 1)
  - ii. Asking for additional FTE support in 3rd and 4th grade b/c students coming back are 52 (3rd) and 50 (4th) so that would be two large classes in each grade, but with FTE can create one combined class.
  - iii. Expecting to acquire more Kindergartners over summer taking K up to one full, one half, and one three-quarter day class.
  - iv. \$73,926 (including benefits) /teacher @17.5 = 1,293,705 (image 2, below)
  - v. Projected to have \$78,469 discretionary funds left to manage school for 18/19 academic year. These funds need to cover things like: supplies to run library, health room, copier maintenance, leader in me notebooks, we get \$5000 for being a LIM school but have to pay \$8000 for licensing with LIM, interventions for students etc.
  - vi. We do have a little bit of carry-over funds. Won't know amount until end of year.

- vii. 17/18 enrollment: projection was 386; had 374 at student count. Had to pay back funds.
  - viii. SBB will be submitted by April 27
  - c. Technology - district put freeze on technology refresh
    - i. We have been a one to one school.
    - ii. All ipads will be obsolete by end of this school year. 30 need replace, 30 IMacs need replace (obsolete), Chromebooks (6-7 years old)
    - iii. PTIB plans to put proceeds from next two fundraisers toward technology.
5. SAC membership for next year, discussion about officers, and refresher on term limits of members and officers – Tiffany Grizzle
- a. SAC members will likely stay set in our positions.
  - b. Next year, we should make attempts to encourage parents to attend SAC meetings/increase participation. This will help people get involved prior to '19/20 when we will need to fill vacated positions.
  - c. There will be no elections this year unless someone resigns.

**SAC COMMUNITY AND ADJOURNMENT:** Tiffany Grizzle

1. Safety Issues/Community Concerns

- a. Creating attractive signage (framed) stating that doors must remain closed and locked. Additionally, since PTIB saved digital marquee funds for other more pressing needs, we could possibly purchase a TV screen for inside the main entrance that has rolling messages including one about keeping doors closed/locked.
- b. Technology - regularly discuss the possibility of adding new safety technology systems
- c. Adding security measures at front door. We have to think about whether this is something our office staff can handle on top of their daily duties.
- d. Look into employing watchdog program or something similar. Could possibly get parent volunteers to keep extra eyes out and monitor entrances at busy times. Could get training from Parker PD or SROs. School would still maintain liability, so we would have to be careful with creating some sort of parent volunteer program like this.
- e. Getting more parent volunteers - PTIB, SAC, classroom parents, etc. - would be beneficial for our school community. This should be a goal for next year.

2. Marketing Updates: Ideas for Student Conferences and other school-wide events

- a. We could approach Richmond to create a partnership with LPE. Could let them have a table at Fun Run or conferences. Would we have to open that opportunity up to other businesses?
- b. Sagewood students could have tables at Fun Run to share info about courses, opportunities, extracurriculars at Sagewood.
- c. Kristin Drury will be at LPE for multiple meet and greets before school ends.
- d. Could have a table of volunteers at conferences to answer questions about what LPE has to offer & why we are an excellent choice. "We have the neighborhood school difference."

**SAC CALENDAR:**

1. Next LPE SAC Meeting: Monday 5/7/18 @ 9:15-10:30AM, new principal, Kristin Drury will likely join us for part of meeting, so we may hold meeting in larger space in LPE.
2. Next DAC Meeting: Tuesday 4/10/18 @ 6:30-8:30PM, Arrowwood Elementary School