

MINUTES

DSST Public Schools Board Meeting
October 25, 2016
DSST: Byers Campus, Room 101

Meeting Called to Order: 2:35 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Alex Hernandez*
Dan Wilkerson
Deborah McGriff*
Dwight Jones*
George Sparks
Glenn Russo
Gloria Zamora
Justin Jaschke
Nate Easley*
Patrick O'Keefe*
Peter Fritzingler
Sean VanBerschoot
Steve Halstedt

*Attended via conference call

Parent Present: Michel Brossmer (Byers STP)

Board Members Absent: Teresa Berryman, Gina Rodriguez, Matthew Schnittman

DSST Staff Present: Bill Kurtz, Brad White, Christine Nelson, Heather Lamm, Katie Glenn

Other Attendees: None

DPS Staff Present: None

Welcome

Mr. Halstedt welcomed everyone to the meeting as well as provided the board with a few announcements regarding upcoming items.

School Director Q&A: Brad White, DSST: Byers Middle School. Mr. White provided a brief update on Byers Middle and High School and then proceeded to have a Q&A with the board. Mr. White left the meeting at the conclusion of the Q&A.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve previous board meeting minutes, Zamora

Second: VanBerschoot

Vote: Unanimous Approval

Motion to approve 2016-17 Executive and Education and IT Charters, Wilkerson

Second: Zamora

Unanimous Approval

Discussion: Mr. Kurtz presented a PowerPoint on DSST's 2015-16 Academic Results. Mr. Kurtz also provided an update, overview, and support plan regarding DSST: Cole Middle School. Lastly, Mr. Walker presented a PowerPoint update on DSST's Strategic Planning Process.

Reports

There weren't any questions or comments on the Home Office report.

The Executive Committee did not meet between the September board meeting and now so they did not provide a report for the board book.

Mr. Hernandez reported on the Education and Technology Committee and stated that they will be having a committee meeting on Tuesday where they will be discussing the IT Deep Dive.

There weren't any questions or comments on the Finance & Operations Committee Report. The Finance & Operations Committee requested that "decision" was deleted off the agenda.

The Audit Committee reported that they have been discussing and researching the legal structures and accounting measures regarding whether DSST is private, public or 501 3c.

The Advancement Committee reported that they are in the process of revamping their charter. They also added that they are assisting Mr. Kurtz in finding a new Director of Development.

The Nominating and Governance Committee reminded the board to complete the board survey by the end of the month.

New Business: Mr. Kurtz shared his experience at the CSGF Summit. He also added that Mr. Hernandez is interviewing one of our alums as well as has hired one of our alums.

Mr. Halstedt added his experience at a breakfast with DSST alums at the University of Denver.

Executive Session

Mr. Halstedt stated, "I would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session as permitted under the Colorado Revised Statutes section 24-6-402 (4) to the purpose of:

- Pursuant to subsection (e) Determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators; specifically the timing and location of additional schools and campuses.

Motion to go into Executive Session at 5:10pm, Jaschke

Second: Wilkerson

Vote: Unanimous approval

Motion to end Executive Session at 5:35pm, Wilkerson

Second: Zamora

Vote: Unanimous approval

Motion for adjournment of Board Meeting at 5:35pm, Zamora

Second: VanBerschot

Vote: Unanimous approval

Respectfully Submitted,

Katie Glenn (note-taker) for Sean VanBerschot, Secretary