

DPMS SCC Meeting Notes - May 21, 2020, 3:05-3:51. This meeting was held over Google Meets.

SCC Members Present: Mary Anderson, Heather White (Chair), Krista Pippin (Vice Chair), Cindy Krueger, Stephanie Fowler, Brandi Ripa, Lindsey Moffat, Mike Neyman, Holly Neibaur, Kit Linkous, Robin Perry, Chad Smith

SCC Members Absent: Allyson Dunbar, Megan Gebhard, Kevin Rothert

Staff and Community Members Present: Randall Seltz, Kristana Price, Chip Watts

1. Welcome - Heather White

- a. Ms. White initiated the meeting and moved to the first agenda item.

2. Introduction of Mr. Chip Watts - Mary Anderson

- a. Ms. Anderson introduced Mr. Watts and discussed some of his career highlights. Mr. Watts has worked as a CTE teacher. He has been an Assistant Principal at Crescent View Middle School, Union Middle School, and the Principal at Midvale Elementary.
- b. Mr. Watts shared some humorous anecdotes from his career as an educator. He is excited to come to Draper Park and work in this fabulous community. He is looking forward to the experience and to working with everyone.

3. Approval of March Meeting Minutes - Heather White

- a. *Ms. Fowler made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes. Ms. Perry made a second to the motion. The motion passes unanimously.*

4. Climate Goals Update - Holly Neibaur

- a. Ms. Neibaur presented information she has received back from the school board about the School Climate goals the SCC submitted at the beginning of the year.
- b. The main priority the SCC identified was about digital citizenship programs. The direction Ms. Neibaur received from the district suggested this item would be a good launching point for the SCC to continue working on. The district is also continuing to increase efforts in educating students on digital citizenship.
 - i. Ms. Neibaur also reached out to the principal of Alta High to find out how he has fostered a climate where digital citizenship is a focus.
- c. Another priority identified by the SCC was prioritizing a single-entry point to the school building. The school building is designed so there is only one main entrance. School procedures align with the design of the building. Safety procedures are in place and are practiced throughout the school year.
- d. Another priority identified by the SCC was how the school was working to foster an environment of inclusivity. This continues to be something the school leaders and district leaders are working on to make sure our schools are inclusive and welcoming to all.
- e. The fourth priority identified by the SCC was about adjusting the school start time. Ms. Neibaur said the SCC could ask the school district to complete a study with the district transportation and facilities departments to determine the impact of adjusting the start time. There is a rumor about an agreement with the city about the start times of DPMS and Summit Academy. Ms. Neibaur said that the SCC from when DPMS was first opened addressed that rumor and it is not true.
- f. Ms. Neibaur recommended we move forward with requesting the bus study from the transportation department.
- g. Mr. Watts said he would email district leadership about the process of changing the school start time. He will update the SCC on what he finds out about this process.

5. Online Learning Conversation - Heather White

- a. Mr. Neyman said he has enjoyed the online learning. He enjoys being together with his family. He said he thinks the teachers have done a fantastic job supporting students.
- b. Ms. Neibaur said she has been really impressed with the teachers and the level of commitment they showed. She commended the staff for continuing on with the Viking with Courage awards and the Viking Scholar awards.
- c. Ms. White said Draper Park's staff knocked it out of the park. She said the teachers worked as a team and provided a lot of support for students.
- d. Ms. Anderson said the majority of our teachers were using Canvas before the school closure, but the teachers pulled together to make a plan and see it through. Our teachers adjusted along the way and worked diligently to support our students. She thanked the school board for changing the grading scale to accommodate the difficulty.
- e. Ms. Krueger praised the DPMS parent community who emphasize education in the home and put procedures and routines in place to support learning and teaching. She also praised the administration for their support.
- f. Mr. Smith asked if the school knew what percentage of students completed assignments and what the grading breakdown was?
 - i. Mr. Seltz and Ms. Pippin shared some data that alluded to how engaged DPMS students were with online learning.
- g. Ms. Neibaur asked about students who receive specialized instruction.
 - i. Mr. Seltz and Ms. Pippin discussed the teaching supports that were put in place for students who receive specialized instruction. Mr. Seltz shared about the individual meetings our classroom instructional aides and teachers held with small groups of students to support their learning goals.
- h. Ms. Linkous praised the teachers for their efforts and said her family enjoyed the Viking Scholar parade. She offered something to consider if online learning continues into next year: her students would rather have their teachers from DPMS teaching the material to them rather than learning from a video from Khan Academy or another outside resource.

6. Final Thoughts about the Year - Mary Anderson

- a. Ms. White thanked the committee for trusting her to steer the SCC. She said she has enjoyed her tenure as SCC Chair. She also thanked Mary for her service to our students and our school community.
- b. Ms. Pippin thanked Ms. White for serving on the PTA and SCC and all the work on the memory book. She thanked Mike, Brandi, and Mary and all of the other members who are moving on.
- c. Ms. Anderson thanked the SCC for their insight and input. She said that while we're not always on the same page, she believes the discussions have led to better outcomes because we worked together.

7. Ms. Fowler made a motion to end the meeting. Ms. Perry made a second to the motion. The vote was unanimous.
Meeting Adjourned at 3:51.

Meeting notes approved: