

***DPMS SCC Meeting Notes - September 16, 2020, 3:05-4:16. This meeting was held over Zoom.***

**SCC Members Present:** Chip Watts, Suzanne Quick, Emily Ord, Megan Gebhard, Terry Francis, Jen Morris, Allyson Dunbar, Holly Neibaur, Marianne Barrowes, Chad Smith, Cynthia Lloyd, Nate Ricks, Casey Ryan, Kevin Rothert, Kathy Bitner

**SCC Members Absent:** Robin Perry

**Staff and Community Members Present:** Randall Seltz, Kristana Price, Jodi Roberts, Bryn Johnson

1. Welcome and Introductions
  - a. Each member of the SCC introduced themselves and talked about their experience working on SCC and what issues they're hoping to address through the council.
  - b. Dr. Watts introduced the purpose of the SCC.
2. Nomination and Election of new SCC Chair
  - a. Ms. Neibaur nominated Ms. Barrowes for Chair of the SCC. Jen Morris made a second to the nomination.
  - b. Ms. Gebhard nominated Ms. Dunbar. Ms. Quick made a second to the nomination. Ms. Dunbar respectfully declined the nomination.
  - c. Mr. Watts made a motion to vote on Ms. Barrowes being the SCC Chair. The SCC voted unanimously to accept the position.
3. Nomination and Election of new Vice-Chair
  - a. Ms. Barrowes nominated Ms. Dunbar as co-chair. Ms. Quick seconded the motion.
  - b. Ms. Roberts made a motion to nominate Ms. Gebhard as co-chair. Ms. Dunbar seconded the motion.
  - c. Ms. Neibaur nominated Mr. Smith. Ms. Ord seconded the motion.
  - d. Ms. Morris and Ms. Francis abstained from the voting. 6 votes for Ms. Gebhard, 5 for Mr. Smith. Ms. Gebhard accepted the co-chair position.
4. Nomination of Secretary
  - a. Ms. Barrowes nominated Mr. Seltz as SCC secretary. Dr. Watts seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.
5. Establish a Meeting Schedule
  - a. Dr. Watts made a motion to meet on the third Wednesday of each month. Ms. Gebhard made a second to the motion. The SCC approves the motion unanimously.
6. SCC Training
  - a. Dr. Watts discussed the requirement for SCC members to attend an annual training. He also shared the dates and times of the training.

## 7. Transportation/Safe Walking Routes

- a. Ms. Johnson discussed a concern she has about an intersection at Vestry Road and DeBryan Street where there is a bus stop that has recently had the stop sign removed. She discussed that the area has poor visibility and she worries about the students being at the bus stop in the dark and cars not being able to see them. Ms. Johnson is asking Draper City to replace the stop signs.
- b. Ms. Morris shared her experiences with working with an SCC to try to get a stop sign replaced. She said the council might be more successful if they had the bus stop moved.
- c. Many councilmembers asked Ms. Johnson questions about who she has contacted to get the stop sign replaced.
- d. Ms. Neibaur said this issue is related to the previous school safety survey the SCC completed and said this is related to the school's early start time.
- e. Dr. Watts asked Mr. Seltz to discuss the response he has received from Planning and Enrollment department officials. He encouraged Ms. Johnson to continue to lobby her elected officials on the city council. Mr. Seltz also offered to reach out to the director of transportation for Canyons District to see if there's a possibility of getting the bus stop moved to another location.
- f. Ms. Barrowes said Bryn, Jen Morris and I have done a ton of work on safe walking routes for Draper Elementary, and the first place to start is with your concerned neighbors. Having them contact the city council will be most effective. And it might be easier to move the bus stop, as Jen said.
- g. Mr. Smith said I'm happy to join your efforts to lobby the city on this issue, Bryn, just as a private citizen. Let me know how I can help.
- h. Ms. Barrowes said if we all work together, it is more likely to get some traction, and going at it from both the SCC AND concerned parents bugging both the city council and the district - and don't stop bugging them until someone takes responsibility. But start by having parents email the city council so when we start a conversation they have already heard about it.

## 8. Update to School Start Time Change

- a. Dr. Watts shared an update about the safety plan the SCC discussed last year, specifically with the issue of school start time.
- b. Ms. Neibaur said we owe it to the parents to send a letter to the school board about the early start time.
- c. Dr. Watts said he would like to move forward with the issue and continue discussing the issue at a later meeting.
- d. Ms. Gebhard said we should be discussing this issue sooner rather than later because they are already planning the schedules for next year. She suggested starting in the next two months.
- e. Ms. Morris suggested that we try to collect signatures from patrons because it can be more powerful than the number of people who can attend a board meeting. Ms. Morris suggested a Google Form or another form of electronic signature gathering tool.
- f. Ms. Barrowes offered to spearhead the initiative.
- g. Ms. Ord said there are many students whose families choose educational release so they can get an extra hour of sleep. Perhaps it would be helpful to get their perspective on the issue.
- h. Dr. Watts said he would reach out to Ms. Barrowes to make a plan to address the issue with the school board.
- i. The new members of SCC asked to see results of the school climate survey from last year.
- j. Dr. Watts said he would share the survey results with everyone again.

## 9. Landtrust/TSSP Updates

- a. Dr. Watts discussed the Land Trust and TSSP Goals that the SCC approved last year. This year we will have to make some adjustments to the plan based on how last year ended. The goals were dependent upon end of year testing that didn't happen.
- b. Dr. Watts discussed how some of the money is spent: hiring classroom teacher aides to assist students and teachers in the classroom, hiring a mentor to work with at-risk students, and to purchase technology for the school.
- c. There is not a need to purchase \$140,000 in technology since Dr. Robins has rolled out his plan to provide a Chromebook to every student in the district.
- d. \$15,000 has been budgeted for field trips, which we have been asked to postpone for this school year.
- e. Dr. Watts said we need to come up with an amendment for how we will spend the money we had previously allocated to other things.
- f. Dr. Watts said he doesn't have a specific plan on how to spend the money. One thought he has is to hire additional aides to help teachers with grading and teaching online classes.
- g. Ms. Gebhard said we could hire a teacher to teach online classes and help support our online learners.
- h. Ms. Ryan said students have been enjoying being able to eat their lunches outside this year to mitigate the transmission of COVID. She suggested purchasing more permanent tables or heaters.
- i. Ms. Ord asked if the Chromebooks have content filters built into them. Dr. Watts said yes, they have the same stringent filters that computers at school have. We've discouraged students from bringing their own personal devices because they often do not have the same filters.
- j. Ms. Lloyd asked if we could upgrade teacher technology with the money. Some teachers have very old devices and they don't always work well with all of the new technology tools. She also suggested a technology replacement rotation schedule for teachers.
- k. Ms. Neibaur suggested that we use the money to provide training and technology to record or stream lectures or lessons for students who are either learning online or are in quarantine.
- l. Dr. Watts said we can add that idea to the list and follow up with it.
- m. Ms. Gebhard suggested that councilmembers email the SCC if they have additional suggestions. Dr. Watts agreed.

## 10. Closing the Meeting

- a. Dr. Watts said we've had a great start to this weird year.
- b. Dr. Watts addressed how DPMS is doing with COVID mitigation. He said he can share some more specific numbers about how many active COVID cases DPMS has right now. We have 7 active cases at DPMS. Students are doing well in the classroom and in school with wearing face coverings, but they are not doing so well at lunch or after school.
- c. Dr. Watts made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Ryan seconded the motion. All unanimously approved the motion.

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