

**Challenge to Excellence Charter School
School Accountability Committee
2013 – 2014**

Date: September 20, 2013

Time: 8:00 a.m.

Location: Challenge to Excellence Conference Room

Minutes

- 1) Welcome & Introductions – (Stacy Matte)
 - a) Meeting called to order at 8:05
 - b) Member Attendees: Stacy Matte, Sue Henderson, Katina Lundberg, Jennifer Tinsley, Rae Whatley, Lisa Sams
 - c) Parent Attendees: Karen Kistle, Mike Matte, Angie Martin, Kate Burrows, Heidy Mroczek, Jami Pichot, Brenda Albano, Valerie Farrar, Mindy McClelland
- 2) Review Agenda & Approve Minutes from August Meeting
 - a) Stacy Matte motioned for approval move Open Forum to the beginning to accommodate parents in attendance schedules, 2nd by Rae Whatley.
 - b) Stacy Matte motioned to approve Agenda, 2nd by Rae Whatley.
 - c) Stacy Matte motioned to approve August Minutes, Jennifer Tinsley 2nd.
 - d) Stacy Matte nominated having minutes approved by email in the future, Jennifer Tinsley 2nd. Approved. In the future, SAC members will motion, 2nd and approve minutes via email and post on line in advance of the next meeting.
- 3) Open forum for guests – (Stacy Matte)
 - a) Safety concerns – nothing new
 - b) Community concerns/input – nothing new
 - c) Parent attendees came to the SAC meeting to discuss an issue with a teacher. It was recommended to the group to escalate the issue to Mrs. Parker for further review and action. Further, they were guided to the Parent/Student Handbook for additional information on the defined grievance process.
 - d) Parent attendees brought up concerns with the spanish curriculum.
 - e) Parent attendee brought up concerns on teachers calendars, websites and information. Items are not up-to-date and obtaining information is not consistent throughout the school
 - f) Parent attendee brought up back to school night concerns. The teachers did not seem prepared and it is hard and not effective if you have more than 1 kid.
- 4) Discuss TCAP Scores
 - a) Newspaper Article re: DCSD mistake - C2E was not affected by the mistake because TCAPS. Results for C2E are submitted directly to the state, not to the district so that there is not a chance for manipulation.
- 5) Update on Parent Concerns from August Meeting
 - a) Music homework is coming home, focus is on music theory. A consensus is that it is good to see improvements, but continued monitoring is needed.
 - b) There is a new 2013-2014 curriculum for Spanish this year. Still in process of being evaluated.

- 6) Ponderosa Schoolview.com Letter - To be discussed further.
 - i) Link the presentation to C2E performance and growth. Ability to compare to schools of choice.
 - ii) Ask administration what is important that they want highlighted.
 - iii) Instead of a letter maybe another video on the C2E website.
- 7) New Chrome Books
 - a) 1 to 1 Program is really taking off - 2 classes of the 3 in 3rd grade are getting tablets, 4th grade is getting Netbooks, 5th - 8th have the Chrome books.
 - b) Recommended that the 1 to 1 program needs to be advertised to parents more.
- 8) Google Account
 - a) Update: all SAC members should have access to the new Google Drive, all historical and needed documents have been uploaded
- 9) School Uniforms
 - a) Enforcement of the dress code seems to be more relaxed.
 - b) Recommend that the administration would enforce the dress code currently in place.
 - i) Suggestion would be to have a Dress code section in the Thursday folder to highlight to parents what the staff is seeing. An attempt to refocus parents attention to the code
- 10) SAC – Attending Future School Functions
 - a) Fall Fest Oct. 5th – SAC members will Attend
- 11) Principal's Report – (Rae Whatley, Principal Representative)
 - a) Unified Improvement Plan (UIP) – Nothing new to update
 - b) Budget – Nothing new to update
- 12) District Accountability Committee (DAC) Report – (Stacy Matte)
 - a) DAC Calendar – Stacy Matte will attend the next meeting
 - b) DAC – Recommended Changes to SAC Bylaws – Table motion
 - c) DAC Forum Meeting Review
 - (1) Standard 6 –C2E is in the process implementation and we are complying with all standards at this time
- 13) Parent Volunteer Association (PVA) Organization Report – (Starr Baines)
 - a) Jennifer Tinsley in attendance for Starr Baines
 - b) Fall Festival on Oct. 5th
 - c) Mammoth March raised net profit of over \$17K
 - d) Book fair Dec. 9th-13th
 1. Will be doing a breakfast family day, rather than a family evening this year.
 - e) Science week Nov 18th – 22nd
 - f) Our kids our stars Sat. March 1st
- 14) Staff Report – (Lisa Sams)
 - a) Finished up all of our testing
 - b) RTI starting Oct. 1st
- 15) Community Report – (Teri Derington)
 - a) Not in attendance – 2nd time not in attendance

Meeting Adjourn at 10:24 am by Stacy Matte

Next meeting:

- *October 25th, 2013 at 8:00 am.*