

Gilpin County School District Re-1  
District Accountability Committee (DAC) Meeting Minutes  
April 18, 2017

In Attendance:

Mary Sonsino, Chair	Present
Dick Vickery, Vice Chair, Community Business Member	Absent
Dee Adams, Parent	Present
Julie Hanssen, Parent, Secretary	Absent
Mary Lorenz, Parent	Absent
Mary Beth Sherrod, Parent	Absent
Dr. David MacKenzie, Superintendent	Present
Alexis Donaldson, Secondary Principal	Present
Mary Farmer, Secondary Teacher	Absent
Sharon Lutes, Elementary Teacher	Present
Heather Huntoon, Elementary Principal	Present

Special Guests:

Terry Scharg – Presentation on Preliminary Budget

Aaron Moran – Presentation on District Wellness

**Call to Order:** 5:35 Mary S; Motioned by Alexis

**Meeting minutes:** Sharon motioned and Dee seconded.

**New Business:**

- Mary S. questioned the District's Wellness. Dr. Dave responded that stating that the nutrition – lunch program is doing better, however, still working on it. The Wellness Policy needs to be updated in the fall, updating the new laws and policies.
- Aaron gave an update on the District's Wellness health program. He stated that the program is doing well, and gaining in popularity and numbers. He also stated that physical education need two classes each week because if a student misses the day of class, it may be two weeks before that student returns to any physical exercise. There are activities/running events planned for the first week in May for the elementary students. Mary S. volunteered to assist, and help with the students to ensure they complete the activities. Aaron feels that the community is quite fit because of programs such as snow dodgers, and other activities including the weight classes held before and after school. He feels that the program is going in the right direction. He is trying to conduct each activity for two weeks, and will get this in future curriculum. Aaron also noted that there were fewer injuries this past year, giving credit to

structure of the classes.

- Terry presented the preliminary budget. She stated that there were no numbers yet from the State – numbers in the budget are estimates. She also stated the assessed value of property may be an issue because of Tabor & Gallagher laws; outcome yet to be determined. Handouts were given of the “Preliminary June Budget 2017-2018/Revised Adopted Budget 2016-2017”, including a one-page synopsis for the “2017-2018 Significant Changes June Adopted Budget”. The changes for revenue increases/decreases included decreases for the next year for “Read Act”, health insurance rebates, and no additional funds forthcoming for “Small Rural Schools Grants”. Major significant increases in expenses included “Staff Salary Increases”, “Online Course Tuition” – there is increase in students taking online courses, “Theater Supplies – theater lighting”, “HS Athletic Supplies” – scoreboards, and “Equipment Maintenance/Repairs – lighting/painting. There is also an increase in expenses for “Capital Projects” – property improvements are planned for June for excavation, etc., and will continue for next several years during the summer months. There was a discussion regarding an expense increase for Transportation training videos. Dr. Dave will research for other options to reduce this expense.
- Alexis gave an update on ongoing activities/events, including the PARC testing. There were computer problems the first day. The problems got resolved, and she hoped that the testing would be completed by the end of the following week. The Winter Sports Banquet was held last week acknowledging students’ participation in these sports. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade field trip – outdoor education class is scheduled for next week (week of April 24<sup>th</sup>). Prom is scheduled next weekend – April 28<sup>th</sup>. A working retreat for teachers is planned in June.
- Heather noted that there was good attendance at Parent/Teacher conferences – 94% parent participation. She informed that the Super School news will be aired on April 20<sup>th</sup>, and then will be aired again later.

**Old Business:** none

**Public Input:** Mary S will send an email reminder on upcoming volunteer recognition event on April 27, and the joint BOE meeting with DAC to discuss the District’s budget.

**Board Reports:** none

**Administrative Reports:** covered in new business.

**Adjourned:** Called meeting at 6:30 Mary S.