

Gilpin County School District RE-1

District Accountability Committee (DAC) Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2016

In Attendance:

Mary Sonsino, Chair	Present
Dick Vickery, Vice Chair, Community Business Member	Present
Dee Adams, Parent	Absent
Julie Hanssen, Parent	Absent
Mary Lorenz, Parent	Present
Mary Beth Sherrod, Parent	Absent
Dr David MacKenzie, Superintendent	Present
Alexis Donaldson, Secondary Principal	Present
Mary Jakupcak, Secondary Teacher	Present
Scott Eldred, Elementary Principal	Present
Sharon Lutes, Elementary Teacher	Present
Guest: Terry Scharg, GCSD Business Manager	

❖ **Call to Order:** Mary S called the meeting to order at 5:43.

❖ **Meeting Minutes:** Dick Motion, Mary J. Second
Discussion – None Carried

❖ **Public Input:** None

❖ **Old Business:** None

- ❖ **New Business:** Guest – Terry Scharg, Gilpin County School Business Manager presented the committee with general information regarding the school district’s budget. She was not able to give us specifics regarding the next school year budget as the State has not provided funding figures yet.
- Terry gave us a hand out showing where the income comes from.
 - The main funding the District receives is based on student count and divided between the State and the County property taxes using a formula. We do not receive any funding for preschool and receive ½ for kindergarteners. Because the state is in financial difficulty they have what is called the “Negative Factor”. Approximately 830 million spread across all districts in the state. Our current PPOR (Per Pupil Operating Revenue) is \$10,086 and when you factor in Gilpin’s portion of the Negative Factor it brings it down to \$8,862. In 2010 our PPOR was \$9,804.
 - If our student count drops below 409 next year the state will average our last five year counts and use that number for our funding.
 - The district currently charges tuition for Preschool – regular and Montessori. Nothing is charged for full time Kindergarten.
- Terry gave us a hand out for the current year budget for period February 1 – 29, 2016. Showing revenue and expenditures. There are three constitutional amendments that play a part in spending – Tabor, Amendment 23 and Gallagher.
 - Every line item has an assigned number of 22 digits. The first two digits specify the fund and if there is a number in the last column of 4 this means it is related to a grant. The rest relate to the department, school, class, etc.
 - For every salary line there are corresponding lines for the taxes and benefits.
 - The General Fund (10) transfers money into the Kitchen Fund (21), Transportation Fund (25), and Capital Projects fund (43) as needed. Capital projects are for items that cost more than \$5,000 and have a life expectancy of more than one year. Any Kitchen repairs are put through the General Fund.
 - The Pupil Activity Fund (74) has a completely separate bank account and software program. Only the total is listed in the budget – for budget purposes only. This fund is where the money is that the classes & clubs raise.
 - The 2016-2017 budget will be posted on May 20th and the BOE will vote on it at their June 21st meeting.
 - Terry will plan on attending the DAC meeting on May 10th and will attempt to get information on the 2016-2017 budget to us before this meeting.
- Terry asked that we look over the handouts she provided and let her know if there are any questions. If you have questions, please include all members of the DAC.

- ❖ **Board Liaison Report:** None
- ❖ **Administrative Reports:** Scott Eldred – Will be leaving the district to start a new Charter School in Jefferson County. Dr. Dave will temporarily take charge until someone new can be hired.
- ❖ **Next Meeting:** April 12, 2016

❖ **Adjourn:** 6:35

Respectfully Submitted: Mary Lorenz