



State Advisory Council for Parent Involvement in Education

Quarterly Meeting

Tuesday, November 15, 2022

Lakewood, CO

MINUTES

Members Present: Mark Sass, Jason Taylor, Jenny Lerner (zoom), Jess Welch, Kimberly Chatman, Twyla Esquibel, Dee Leyba (zoom), Kristine Greer, Emily Shore, Yoni Dobie-Geffen, Angie Frank, Brooke Cote, Staci Ruddy, Michelle Zeles-Hahn, Stacey Zis

Absences: Ayde Avila, Mary McNeill, Chelsey Hall, Kristin Dalton

Guests: Darcy Hutchins, April Thompson, Jessica Stroope, Lisa Escarcega, Nathan Hickman, Laura Meushaw

9:15am: Meeting Called to Order

9:15am: Welcome and Introductions

- Members and guests introduced themselves.

9:21am: Ice Breaker- Yoni Dobie-Geffen

- Members and guests participated in an icebreaker activity

9:30am: Business Housekeeping- Darcy Hutchins

- Update on LearnWorlds Group: Reminder that all minutes, meeting archives, and resources are hosted on LearnWorlds.
- Yoni motioned to approve August minutes without amendment. Motion seconded by Mark and unanimously approved.
- Reimbursements for travel: April Thompson requested that members who are requesting travel reimbursement for the day touch base with her and they will receive an email with the appropriate forms.
- Darcy Hutchins will create a SACPIE group in LearnWorlds for communications and resources.

9:31am: State Board Update: Dr. Lisa Escarcega

- Dr. Escarcega described that the majority of time for the board has been spent on Social Studies Standards. The Social Studies curriculum is now moving to local boards for vote and approval of the state standards.
- Accountability Audit that is coming in next month has also been on the board agenda.

- Health Standards are expected in the coming months for board approval.
- The State Board of Education will have 2 new board members Kathy Polmer and Rhonda Solis. The election has changed the board to a 6/3 democratic rule.
- Questions for Lisa Escarcega:
 - House Bill 1376 from 2022 regarding discipline. A SACPIE representative is written into legislation as a member of the committee. Focuses on how behavioral data is collected and what is done with that data.
 - SACPIE has often flown under the radar for the SBE. Family and Community partnerships are more than upset parents over concerns. Lisa believes that given the shift on the board, there will be more conversations on parent involvement, equity, social emotional learning and similar topics.

9:45am: Members Resource Sharing and Update- Open Forum

- Kim spoke on declining enrollment occurring around the state.
- Laura added that she has spoken with Jeffco on closures regarding Title 1 schools and what closure will look like for funding and where the funding will go.
- Jess suggested a playbook for families on how to engage and a playbook for districts around school closures and how to involve families.
- Mark discussed Teach Plus is involved in conversations with early childhood educators as they look at adding full early childhood next year. They are working with the National Association for Educating Young Children.
- Kris also spoke on the grant with National Association for Family and Community Engagement- Kris and Darcy have been working on the framework for teacher ed professionals.
- SACPIE members discussed how the school year is going in regard to conversations with families and how the partnerships with schools look this year
- Jenny noted Darcy's recent presentation at a Migrant Family Conference and would like time at SACPIE to discuss engagement from a Migrant Education level.
- Jess shared results of the piloted survey that she presented at the last SACPIE meeting.

10:30am: Break: SACPIE took a 15 min break.

10:45am: National Standards for Family-School Partnerships – Darcy Hutchins and Stacey Ruddy

- Darcy provided an overview of what FSCP looks like in school buildings to include the six national standards.
- Stacy provided an overview of the new revised standards.
- Darcy shared what this looks like when working with schools and districts.

11:25am: SACPIE's Legislated Responsibilities – Yoni

- Yoni described the changes of SACPIE since its beginning and clarified the role of SACPIE
- For a group that directly represents parents it is suggested to refer to National PTA, Rise Colorado, Colorado Statewide parent coalition, Peak parent center etc.
- Yoni asked the group to review and discuss advisory duties to ensure that the group understands what SACPIE is tasked with doing and what is outside of the realm of SACPIE.
- SACPIE members broke into small groups for 15 mins
- SACPIE legislation is up again in 2024. SACPIE members discussed asking for a change of the law itself or put it in the cleanup notes. It was suggested this be an effort for the group in the coming year.

12:00pm: Lunch Break

12:45pm: SACPIE Website Revisions: Jes Stroope

- Jes shared the recent updates to the SACPIE website based on feedback from the August meeting
- Shared new additions to the Office of FSCP website as a whole
- Mark asks how traffic on this site is tracked. Jes explained that she can request a hit counter from CDE and will do that.
- Jes will add Yoni to the Contact Us page for SACPIE and adding links to the organizations represented.
- Laura suggests that the Colorado PTA be linked on the SACPIE site as a resource for where parent engagement is going well.

1:05pm: CDE Update: Darcy Hutchins

- November Kickoff event at the Denver Zoo. Jes will be posting the video of the event today. Darcy confirmed that Family engagement month will continue to be November in alignment with the national family engagement month. NAFSCE has stated that Colorado is an example for what family engagement looks like.
- Continued Systemic Support: Douglas County is a new district that has been brought on as part of the cohort. Darcy is also working with Aurora and Alamosa to identify leads and work on the rubrics. Santa Fe trails BOCES is also asking to do more family engagement work. Darcy explains that it is being piloted in San Luis Valley and that there have been no additional signups for this year.
- SAC/DAC Networking Series: Darcy shared attendance numbers and topics covered. The next one is Dec 15, 2022 on Zoom from 5:30-6:30. Given some recent concerns about the reasons for attendance Darcy is considering changing this series and will keep SACPIE updated. Stacey suggests that a how to have successful SACs be a topic at CASE.
- FSCP in High School Learning Cohort: There will be four sessions for high school in Jan-April in which school teams will be invited with a focus on what effective FSCP in high school looks like.
- Online Courses: Darcy and Jes would like to boost the online learning courses. The liaison course is in it last week. FSCP 101 will be available soon. Darcy asked SACPIE for ideas for courses.
- Annual Report: Following this meeting a Google Form will be sent out with annual report data collections.

1:40pm- Future Meetings

- Reminder: Members must attend at least three meetings per year.
- Upcoming Meetings:
 - February 14th,2023
 - May 16th, 2023
 - August TBD
 - November 14, 2023

1:50 pm – Meeting Adjourned.