

# PARENT SOUNDING BOARD MINUTES

ACADEMY SCHOOL DISTRICT TWENTY  
WEDNESDAY, September 6, 2017

## **Welcome and Introductions:** – Karen Zink and Bev Bodman Co-PSB Chairs.

- The meeting of the Academy School District 20 Parent Sounding Board (PSB) was called to order at 9:10 a.m. at the Academy 20 EAC.
- Welcome to a new year on PSB and snow delay guidelines
- Introductions
- Next PSB meeting will be a field trip to school sites
- No meeting in December
- Karen Zink's email [kczink@msn.com](mailto:kczink@msn.com) and Bev Bodman's email [markbevbod@gmail.com](mailto:markbevbod@gmail.com)
- Attendance list at the end of these minutes.

## **Board of Education Report:** Mr. Larry Borland was not available

No BOE report

## **Superintendent Welcome:** Dr. Mark Hatchell, Superintendent

- Welcome to another year of the PSB
- EAC now has a temporary trailer providing electricity due to the recent electrical outage. Estimate a week to make the appropriate repairs.
- Over the summer there were four parent orientations that were well-attended. D20 is projecting enrollment at 25,800
- D20 hired 234 new teachers and our most hired were from UCCS followed by UNC.
- We have a strong applicant pool for most jobs posted
- With regard to the teacher shortage – with lower starting pay, there are less entering the field of education. D20 has less of a shortage than others – we offer a good salary, good location
- BOE Elections are coming up and we have 3 of the 5 positions open. There will be a candidate forum Oct 16, 2017
- D20 insurance rates went down
- Student achievement – the average ACT score was 23 (a high for D20)
- We did not earn Accredited with Distinction due to our test participation. It requires a 95% participation rate and we are at 81%.
- Mental Health continues to be an area of concern and we are continuing to implement the programs we have put in place
- We have broken ground on the new Elementary school expected to be completed in August. The Innovation Center is expected to be completed Oct/Sept.
- New ground breaking on Middle school
- Challenger Middle School renovation

**Superintendent Initiatives:** Dr. Mark Hatchell, Superintendent

- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade reading continues to be an emphasis
- Achievement Gap
- Website
- Building program
- Career Pathways (trades, cybersecurity)

**Fair Campaign Practices:** Tonya Thompson, Director for Legal Relations

- Overview of Fair Campaign Practices Act

**State Assessment Results:** Jolynn Patterson, Director for Assessment

- CMAS/PARCC Spring 2017
- Grades 3-9 tested on ELA (English Language Arts), Math
- Grades 5,8,11 tested on science
- Grades 4,7 tested in social studies in sampled schools only
- Devices used to test- laptops, computers, some paper tests
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CMAS

- Grades 5,8 science scores increased
- Grade 11 19 percentage points above the state average
- Grades 4,7 increased

PARCC

- ELA – 14 percentage points above the state average
- Math – increased or remained stable in all but 1 area

PSAT

- PSAT Colorado average was 947: D20 average was 1020
- SAT Colorado average was 1014: D20 average was 1092
- Schools are using Tableau dashboard to help students focus on areas needed
  
- Colorado is leaving PARCC next year, but keeping Pearson as a vendor
  
- Next year
  - CMAS ELA, Math for Grades 3-8
  - CMAS Science, Grades 5,8,11
  - CMAS Social Studies, Grades 4,7,all 11
  - SAT Grade 11
  - ACCES/Wida Grades K-12 (for English Language Learners)

**Boundary Update:** Becky Allan, Executive Director for Learning Services

- Last Boundary Committee was 2006-2007
- There are 24 people on this committee

- Priorities were:
  - safety
  - growth Projections
  - Grandfathering
  - balanced enrollment
  - minimize disruption
  - keep neighborhoods intact
  - minimizing splits to feeders
  
- Boundary Committee information is on the D20 website under Boundary Committee
- BOE will make final decisions based on committee recommendations
- D20 Superintendent will make his recommendations to the BOE on Oct 5
- Final decisions will be made and in place by Nov 2017 due to the timing of the choice window
- 2018-2019 Elementary E#20 opens (Ranch Creek) they will be polling residential students (not choice students) PK-4 grades if they want the new school or stay
- 2019-2020 Middle School #8 (Chinook Trail Middle School) opens and students will again be polled (6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades)
- When the middle school opens the high schools will realign
- Deadline for inputs is Sept 14 at noon
- Upcoming Forums:
  - MRMS Cafeteria 5:30-7:00pm, Sept 6
  - DCC Elem Cafeteria 5:30-7:00pm, Sept 11
  - Chinook Trails Cafeteria 5:30-7:00pm, Sept 12

**Board Election:** Dr. Jim Smith, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services

3 of 5 board members are leaving

The candidates for the 3 positions in order as they are to appear on the ballot are:

1. Karin Reynolds
2. Tom LeValley
3. Will Temby
4. Doug Lundberg
5. Eric Davis

Members serve a 4 year term

Sept 1 – Candidate Deadlines

Sept 7 – Ballot order established

Oct 16 – Board forum EAC 6:30-8:30pm

Oct 17 – Eagleview 6:30-8:30pm

Nov 30 – New candidates join board

**Impact Aid:** Mr. Tom Gregory, Deputy Superintendent/Chief Financial Officer

- Need address and employment information to report

- One for per family
- 95% collection rate in the past – need that and aiming for 100%
- Forms go out Oct 2 and are due back Oct 25
- D20 gets \$2M from the forms, \$1M from the property assessment of the AFA, and \$500,000 grant from DOD due to 20% of the population being associated with the military

**Summer School Update:** Joe Royer, Director for Summer School

- There were June and July sessions
- 1700 students
- 200 students did both sessions
- 96 teachers took 116 teaching positions
- Next year: CTE, more rigor in middle school age, more enrichment in elementary

**Summer Projects:** Bob Lund, Director for Facilities

- DCC gym expansion
- Modular classes added at high schools
- Roof repairs
- New roof
- Asphalt/cement repair
- Concrete trash pads for dumpsters
- Door locks
- Tennis court repair
- Misc. maintenance

**Questions:** Dr. Hatchell

- Q: When do new boundaries come into effect?
  - A: Boundaries are set once approved
- Q: Any plans for security increases?
  - A: Yes, door buzzers, security cameras already cover a lot of areas, double entry going into elementary being added
- Q: When does principal hiring occur?
  - A: Jan, Feb, Mar usually
- Q: How does Gallagher affect property taxes in Impact Aid?
  - A: Assessed value of the AFA will go down a small percentage, but should not be a big impact

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. State Assessment Results Presentation
2. Boundary Committee Update
3. Fair Campaign Practices handout
4. Board Election PowerPoint
5. Facilities Summer Projects PowerPoint

Attendance: Alexia Bastiaansen, Bev Bodman, Morganistarr Brienza, Linda Buchanan, Angie Clark, Karen Cleary, Colleen Conlin, Amanda Corley, Katie Crukas, Leandra Dean, Mary Ann Hardage, Kim Harvey, Carol Hein, Heather Henneman, Marc Hoffmann, Marita Hollis, Kent Johnson, Christina Jones, Rose Jones, Kristina Josey, Theresa Land, Shannon LaPierre, Gina Lattanzi, Cami McIntosh, Kim Newton, Megan O'Boyle, Katie Pederson, Steve Ruskin, Janenne Schimmel, Courtney Smith, Kimberly Taylor-Beer, Katie Trevaillian, Karen Zink

District Representatives:

Dr. Mark Hatchell ----- Superintendent  
Mr. Tom Gregory ----- Deputy Superintendent  
Ms. Jolynn Patterson-----Director for Assessment  
Ms. Becky Allan -----Executive Director for Learning Services  
Ms. Tonya Thompson -----Director for Legal Relations  
Dr. Jim Smith -----Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services  
Tom Gregory -----Deputy Superintendent/Chief Financial Officer  
Joe Royer -----Director for Summer School  
Bob Lund -----Director for Facilities  
Ms. Anne Krajcovic----- EAC - Administrative Assistant