

Accountability/Accreditation Meeting Minutes for 2/10/15

Laurie Rayhill, Chairperson
Liz Garcia, Minutes

*Roll of the Committee Members

Present: Laurie Rayhill, Melanie Patterson, Joan Martin, Mark Spencer, Josie Vigil, Diane Lauer

Absent: Janis Hughes, Laura Anna, Jane Wolford

*Approval of Minutes from September & December

The September 2014 and December 2014 meeting minutes were approved by committee. Joan made the motion to approve and Josie seconded that motion.

*Vice-Chairperson Nominations/Election

Laura Anna was nominated by Laurie for the Vice-Chairperson position. Due to her absence, she was contacted via text and accepted the nomination. A unanimous vote by committee approved Laura's nomination.

*Confirming April Meeting

The April 14, 2015, meeting will be held and will focus on SAC Budget feedback.

*Graduation Guidelines

Last year the State of Colorado recommended new graduation guidelines. An SVVSD committee presented information to the BOE regarding the guidelines. The BOE directed the Graduation Guidelines Committee to continue gathering feedback from district stakeholders.

Diane presented the "Colorado Graduation Guidelines Discussion" PowerPoint.

Committee comments listed below:

- Who would monitor menu?
- How do we help students meet those cut scores?
- Kids graduate on what they want, no set bar
- Less rigorous path – how do we challenge the student?
- Are we moving away from Carnegie units?
- Are we preparing for what that child wants?
- What is "Capstone"?
- Are colleges ready for this change?
- State has no recommendations on credits
- 30% of high school grads take remedial courses in college
- Parents will have trouble understanding students who go through school, pass courses and then aren't able to graduate
- Do this, AND...minimum bar still there – very important to build from
- This is good – kids plan sooner
- College in Colorado happens in MS now

Committee members are encouraged to use the Google form shared with them for their input.

*SAC Budget

Budget questions were sent to the School Accountability Committee with feedback requested no later than March 31. Diane will bring their feedback to the April DAAC meeting and then shared at a future BOE meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.