

Community Schools Advisory Committee (CSAC)
Wednesday, November 18, 2020
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Virtual Meeting

Final Meeting Notes

1. Call to Order

• Chairperson John-Paul Hayworth called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

2. Roll Call

- The following members were in attendance: Audrey Williams, DC Public Charter School Board (DCPSCB); John-Paul Hayworth, DC State Board of Education (SBOE); Natasha Herring, Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR); Carla Mike, District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS); Mila Yochum, Office of the Deputy Mayor of Education (DME); Megan Dho, Child and Family Services Agency (CFSA); Antoinette Mitchell, Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE); Kim Bookard, Far Southeast Family Strengthening Collaborative, Inc.; Keith Gordon, Fight for Children; Shana Townes, Kid Power Inc.; Sarah Elwell, Washington Teacher's Union (WTU); Jose Munoz, Coalition for Community Schools; Rustin Lewis, Communities In Schools of the Nation's Capital, Inc. (CIS); Kristine DuPree, Edgewood/Brookland Family Support Collaborative (E/BFSC); and Gail Sullivan, Parent of Student
- Kafui Doe, a representative of the Department of Health (DOH) and George Garcia, a representative of the Latin American Youth Center (LAYC) attended.
- The following OSSE staff were in attendance: Melissa Harper-Butler, and Whitney Meagher.

3. Ascertainment of Quorum

- A quorum was present for the meeting in terms of membership with ten voting members present.
- 4. Adoption of the Minutes of the July 20, 2020 and Sept. 16, 2020 meeting
 - Mr. Gordon motioned to approve the meetings minutes in block (July and September meeting minutes).
- 5. Goals Discussion

- As a follow up to the Goals Discussion at the Sept. 16, 2020 meeting, related to attendance, Ms. Meagher announced that OSSE staff has been in touch with the OSSE team that writes the annual attendance reports. With the Committee's approval, they will invite them to the January meeting to present and answer questions about the report that they will issue in November 2020. Previously issued reports can be found on OSSE's website: SY18-19. The 2020-21 School Year Attendance Frequently Asked Questions document on OSSE's Guidance and Resources for COVID-19-related Closures and Recovery website includes information about the regulatory changes that OSSE is proposing, as well as the CFSA guidance.
- The Committee identified the following five draft goals:
 - 1. Blended and braided funding between departments and city-wide organizations for the Coordinator position;
 - 2. Marketing and Communications for Community Schools
 - 3. Concentration of integrated and aligned support services and opportunities in Community Schools
 - 4. Coordinators and other Community School professionals (teachers and principals) are prepared to perform their duties through consistent professional development and peer support.
 - Communities experiencing the highest levels of poverty having a Community School
- Per Mr. Hayworth's suggestion, members should send feedback to OSSE staff prior to the January meeting and be prepared to vote on adoption of these goals at the next meeting.

6. Community Schools Coordinator Needs Assessment

- The committee discussed initiating a survey; however, being mindful of survey fatigue, they will try to determine if the information from other efforts that are already underway can be used rather than initiating a new survey.
- Ms. Mike reported that DCPS did community mapping last spring, and plan to do
 this again in February. She can share preliminary findings with the Committee at
 the January meeting, and final outcomes at the March meeting.
- If the Committee sends a survey, they proposed asking these three questions:
 - 1. What partners do you work with and what services do you provide?
 - 2. Does service delivery happen in school or at a partner location?
 - 3. What other services would you provide if you could?

7. Grant Cycle Update

 Ms. Harper-Butler shared information about the community schools grants for FY21. DC's budget was extremely delayed this year, which caused delays in issuing the grants. The Community Schools Incentive Initiative (CSII) continuation process has been completed and award notices were issued on

- October 27. The CSII competitive grant applications are under review by the readers. It is anticipated that award notices will be issued by November 30.
- The Truancy Prevention and Literacy Pilot Program (TPLP) grants did not receive new funding for FY21. The FY21 budget support act signed by the Mayor allows the current grantees to spend their remaining FY20 funding in FY21. It was released as a continuation grant, with no new funding, on October 23. The application will close on November 23.

8. New Business

Ms. Harper-Butler introduced George Garcia as a representative from LAYC, who has been invited to become a member of this Committee, to replace Carolyn Greenspan, who has left LAYC. He is currently being vetted by the Mayor's Office on Talent and Appointments (MOTA). Kafui Doe was also commended for continuing to represent DOH while she is being vetted by MOTA to become a new member.

9. Opportunity for Public Comment

No public attendees.

10. Adjournment

• The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

The next meeting will be held virtually on Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2020, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Questions/Comments? Please contact Melissa Harper-Butler at (202) 478-2409 or Melissa.Harper-Butler@dc.gov.