

SSC Minutes
 Downtown Elementary School
 9/16/21 / 3:00 PM / Zoom



1.0 Opening/Roll Call:

1.1 Meeting called to order at 3:01 PM

The meeting was held virtually via Zoom (Meeting ID: 389 099 4182 Password: 2122SSC)
 N. Barthelmes welcomed all the members and guests and had SSC members introduce themselves and Mrs. Barthelmes stated what year of their term of service each one was in.

Principal	Teachers	Other Staff	Parents
Noreen Barthelmes	Karen Nguyen (yr. 2)	Beverly Langella (yr. 2)	Laura Avila (yr. 2)
	Cherie Payne (yr. 2)		Vanessa Barrientos (yr. 2)
	Heather Tablit (yr. 2)		Brian Haas (yr. 1)
			Cecilia Herrera (yr. 1)
			Coby Vance (yr. 2)

Visitors Present			
Kevin Bartl (SPAC)	Elizabeth Johns (parent)	Susan Klassen (FACE)	Kara Rand (AC)
Amanda Mestas (SFC)			

Members Absent
NA

Quorum Established: Yes No

1.2 N. Barthelmes shared the SSC Workbook virtually on Zoom screen and gave a brief overview. She reviewed with council members that past practice had been for all SSC members to have physical binders which included all handouts, agendas, workbooks, and the Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA). All members have the option to have a binder with paper copies of all information or continue to receive information digitally this year; most members declined and agreed they prefer digital correspondence. H. Tablit and V. Barrientos requested a hard copy of the handbook.

1.3 N. Barthelmes shared SSC Training Video with members and visitors. Video contained a brief overview of SSC elections, the purpose of the SSC, the Roles of the members, and a SPSA overview.

2.0 Minutes

The minutes from the May 13, 2021 meeting were read and approved. Heather Tablit moved to approve the minutes. Laura Avila seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3.0 Open Forum

3.1 N. Barthelmes briefly explained the parameters for Open Forum. No items shared via email per A. Mestas. V. Barrientos asked if Downtown School would be getting a replacement CPAL on-site. N. Barthelmes confirmed there would be a replacement.

4.0 Site Report

4.1 N. Barthelmes shared Downtown's SSC webpage and the announcement posting of the election results, members of the SSC and meeting dates and time.

4.2 Downtown's new Title 1 Status was announced and explained. N. Barthelmes shared the Targeted Assistance Title I Program (TAS) Year I, information found on the CDE website and provided a brief overview of the specific Title 1 Program with its requirements and purpose.

5.0 Unfinished Business

5.1 None

6.0 New Business

6.1 The election of SSC Officers was performed. Vanessa Barrientos self-nominated herself for the position of Secretary. Karen Nguyen seconded this nomination.

Noreen Barthelmes nominated Laura Avila for Chairperson and Coby Vance for vice-chairperson. There were no other nominations. Noreen Barthelmes motioned to elect the three officers of the SSC. Beverly Langella seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion carried.

6.2 N. Barthelmes shared the School Family and Community Engagement Policy on screen. She conducted a brief overview of the policy's purpose and opened the floor for suggestions of additions or deletions to the policy; none given. Karen Nguyen motioned to accept policy as written. Beverly Langella seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

6.3 N. Barthelmes shared the Home-School Compact on her screen and briefly explained its purpose, change in layout, and distribution process. A member of the SSC questioned when and how the compact would be distributed as it was usually at a parent event such as Back to School Night or during Parent Conference Week. N. Barthelmes explained that with Covid-19 procedures and restrictions, it makes virtual sending more desirable. Heather Tablit motioned to adopt the Home-School Compact as written. Cherie Payne seconded the motion. All in favor; Motion carried.

6.4 N. Barthelmes shared the updated and revised SSC bylaws. A. Mestas highlighted all changes made for the 21-22 school year on the bylaws to review. Some procedures have been updated to fit with current District Covid-19 restrictions. Article VI for Amendments was highlighted to the council in case any needed to be made, now or in the future. Laura Avila motioned to approve bylaws as presented. Beverly Langella seconded the motion. No further discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.

7.0 Reports

7.1DAC

- No Report
- Attended DAC & Reported...
- Did not attend DAC & Reported...

Laura Briones, DAC representative, not present for the meeting but had Susie Klassen, FACE Liaison, read off her notes for the council and guests. Items discussed were: The Power of Team and having/building positive relationships with students. Mr. Luque shared the new Covid-19 Dashboard, now available to all parents on the BCSD website. Weekly numbers are updated every Friday at 4 PM. L. Avila, asked S. Klassen to relay to L. Briones if she could ask the District to make the Covid-19 Dashboard show historical data so we can see trends. Susie will bring it up to Mr. Luque if L. Briones is unable. As suggested by the council, Downtown School has shared the link to the Dashboard on ParentSquare for the Downtown Parents and Community members to view.

7.2DELAC

- No Report
- Attended DELAC & Reported...
- Did not attend DELAC & Reported...

7.3 DAAPAC – District African American Parent Advisory Committee

- No Report
- Attended DAAPAC & Reported...
- Did not attend DAAPAC & Reported...

7.4 FACE updates

S. Klassen gave thanks to parents for donating old student uniforms and shared what is currently available at the school site. The kickoff for Parent University begins Saturday, 9/18/21, and parent attendance is highly recommended for the next ten weeks. Parent University will discuss motivation strategies, and a teen help section. Dates, links, and more information are posted on ParentSquare.

Kevin Bartl, 3rd year SPAC representative, presented his notes. SPAC meets in quarterly meetings. The 8/30/21 meeting mostly regarded COVID related info. They talked about changes in or newly enforced precautions, such as fully vaccinated kids not falling under close contact quarantine without symptoms. The Potential Exposure letters sent to parents means their child may have been exposed, but were not in close contact. The same letter sent home for students is not the same letter sent to staff, but the procedures are similar. The State has informed the district that the 2021-2022 school year will have no distance learning provision. The alternative for quarantined students will be an ISP, no zoom teaching. Additional Covid-19 funding through the American Rescue Plan was discussed and money from this provision can be used up until 2024. C. Payne asked if zoom tutoring was discussed at the meeting for use this school year? K. Bartl said it was not brought up at the meeting. K. Nguyen commented on the backlash against Zoom from many parents, causing the state assembly to decide not to use it anymore. However with teaching now

being just in person, the new law would not be benefitting all families. Overall consensus: People are split on how helpful zoom is so it will be coming up for vote now that the recall election is over. C. Payne suggested Extended Learning Time instead of tutoring. K. Bartl says there was discussion about BCSD getting additional government funding, to increase the number of classified staff, teachers and aides, or janitorial positions. Unfortunately, per funding rules, Downtown doesn't qualify due to the unduplicated student count being too low. K. Bartle is unsure how the need for additional janitorial help would be based on the student count. He asked for clarification on items pertaining specifically to Downtown School at the meeting.

New policies for water bottles were discussed, and K. Bartl asked if the Downtown campus has a water bottle filling station on-site. N. Barthelmes replied that we do not have water bottle fillers at this time but that the order delivery is scheduled for next week. V. Barrientos asked how it would be funded and N. Barthelmes explained that the district was taking care of the costs.

K, Bartl complimented our FACE Liaison, S. Klassen, for her continued presence, assistance and support to Downtown School.

8.0 Announcements

8.1 FRIDAY, 9/17/21 - Progress Reports sent home

8.2 Uniform Order forms not sent out yet, so Wednesday, 9/22/21, deadline scrapped.

2021-2021 school theme is: The Adventure Begins! This theme continues the same space theme as last year, following The Adventure Awaits!

8.3 THURSDAY, 9/23/21 - Late Start Day. N. Barthelmes mentioned that EduCare offers morning activities for students at \$10 each.

8.4 FRIDAY, 9/24/21 - FACE Coffee from 7:30 AM - 8:15 AM

8.5 FRIDAY, 9/24/21 - Flag Raising @ 8:15 AM with Kindergarten Performance. For the 2021-2022 school year, the Flag Raising Ceremony will be performed on campus and will not be a group event. A virtual zoom will be shared with each class, but not sent to parents. Any awards presented to a student will be given to the child and their parents will be informed.

8.6 Next SSC Meeting: Thursday, October 7, 2021 @ 3:00 PM via zoom. 3:00 PM time reflects the parent council member's consensus to move the original 2:45 PM time to 15 minutes later to accommodate dismissal of students and parent pick up.

9.0 Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:07 PM. Motion made by Noreen Barthelmes and seconded by Heather Tablit. All in favor. Motions passed.

Respectfully submitted,

SSC Secretary

Principal