

Denver Justice High School

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Board Meeting Minutes August 21, 2024

Call to order: 6:00pm

Attendance: Tj Cole, Mark Surratt, Jency Guzman, Stephen Parce, Gary Losh

Absent: Charles McNeil

Attendees: Eddie Chavez, staff, Kristi Ross, budget dept. Tyler Bauer Administration,

CONSENT ITEMS:

1. May 8th board minutes- unanimous
2. Amended budget for FY 25- unanimous
3. BiAnnual Flex Option if DJHS earns Green on the SY 24 SPF - unanimous
4. Board Meeting Dates- unanimous

DISCUSSION:

Review of Minutes May 8, 2024 - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_fWXvRsvyYaSe0mcG3btBgKXceqa2m5/edit?usp=sharing&onid=110692654599614112658&rtoref=true&sd=true

Calendars

- DJHS Board Meeting Dates for 2024-2025
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1OEocYW0HmwDaG7tcKl9c9LiHnZzXtugA/view?usp=sharing>
- School Calendar for 24-25 School year
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1X9MTd09uqgXhYp3XYng90VG_WfCwSYJLcbde5MO7hs/edit?usp=drive_link

DJHS has hired Lena Aaron as a Special Education Teacher and Espi Chavez to run the main office and recruiting as the Community Engagement Director. Both team members are helping to make a variety of areas more efficient and effective.

- Espi Chavez - Main Office
- Lena Aaron - Special Education
 - o CYC Tutors Colorado Youth for A Change 3 Candidates for SY 2024-2025
 - Starting September 3rd
 - Part-Time Clinician via DPS Grant
 - Part-Time Clinician via Agency

Stephen discussed the budget revisions. We got some added funding so we are aligning to this revision from DPS and adding the numbers from the new positions ironed out and more accurate. We will do an additional amendment in November when we have count numbers and other expenses

Budget/Finances, Grants & Donations

- Financial Audit – *DMC Auditing and Consulting, LLC* Site Review (Current Status of Final Audit:)
- 2024-2025 FY (Financial Year) 25 [DJHS Budget](#) Approved May 2024
- [DJHS FY 25 Amended Budget to Review for Approval](#)
 - Based on Enrollment Target 104
 - Current Count - 89
 - On-going Intake Sessions
- 23-24 Budget -
 - [Supplemental Budget](#)
 - [Supplemental Budget FY 24 Spreadsheet](#)
 - [Resolution](#)
- End of 2023-2024 [Revenue & Expense Report 2024](#)
- Problem Gambling Coalition Received \$3,000 School Grant 24-25 SY
- SCFD Grant \$5,000 for 24-25
 - Funds for use with identified SFCD Tier 1, 2 & 3 partners
 - Grant will be extended for 25-26 when meeting grant goals

Stephen updated the board on the following grants and partnership programs.

- Donors Choose 24-25
Chavez, McMullin, Ortiz, Chavez
- 9/11 We Serve to Remember Grant \$1,000
 - Colorado Gives 2024 - Plans
 - Give 5 Mile High Donation Opportunity City & County of Denver - Backpacks for students
 - Monthly Neighbor Donations - On-going
 - [School Determined Funds \(SDF\) 2020 Bond Program](#) Update
 - we are getting an Electronic Marquee Sign - In Process for Approval with City & County of Denver
 - Signage are also adding some signage/Graphics for windows - In Process
 - Door Wraps
 - Window Displays
 - Column Wraps
 - Technology - Students Computer Labs & Chromebooks - In Process
 - Furniture Lab - received majority of new lab furniture

Stephen updated the board on the status of the facility rental and status options for the current and potential other locations. We are continuing to look at other building options and may submit a request, if/as needed to DPS for a district facility. We are contracting with Fairy's Cleaning to do the school.

Facility Update Update on current Property Rental 300 E 9th Avenue we continue to discuss options to include purchase possibilities.

Air Conditioning Repair/Update: Work Scheduled for week of August 26th

- DPS Providing & Paying for Temporary Cooling Units
- Second Floor Classrooms - Venting Solution

School Updates

- o SAT, PSAT9 & 10 Preliminary Results - Release to Public 8/26/24
School Performance Framework
- Stephen was able to analyze and find errors that were communicated to the district to make corrections for the SY 24 SPF. It is projected that these corrections will help the DJHS School Performance Framework - SPF
 - AEC Release September

- o 2024-2025 UIP

If DJHS earns Green on the SPF (as currently projected), the school will have the option of Biannual flex for concurrent years of SPF of Green and above. This will be the third consecutive year and the Board approves the option of Biannual Flex, if it is available. Possible Option of Biannual Flex

- o 2024-2025 Black Excellence Plan - In Process of updating the plan.
- o IXL - Learning Support ready to launch it and get the program started.
- o Phoenix Day Excursions
 - St. Mary's Glacier, Colorado School of Mines 9/6/2024LiberatEDWay - Stephen and Eddie Chavez updated the board on the current work with LiberatED Way.
- o Electives
 - Faculty Electives
 - DJHS Partner Electives
 - MACM: Make A Chess Move kids love it and get exposed to people of color who love chess
 - Art Garage Project
 - Art Elective Problem Gambling Coalition - 1st Quarter they come and work with the kids
 - Servicios de la raza is also continuing to work with us and the kids love their services.

District Updates

The District has changes to the DPS discipline policy and matrix. These changes may warrant continued Board discussion and review.

School Accountability Committee SAC-

Tyler Bauer will chair the SAC and Mark Surratt will serve as the DJHS Board Representative Member.

DJHS Board Members Responsibilities- Board members need to complete the training before August 30th.

Board Member Annual Required Mandatory Reporter Training

<https://coloradocwts.com/public-training/mandated-reporter-training/>

Complete and email certificate of completion to Principal Parce by 8/31/2024

- Attend DJHS Community Nights & Graduation
 - o DJHS Community Nights

- - 5 pm, August 31, 2023
- o **Graduation – Class 2025 – 5 pm May 29, 2024**

Assessments

- SY 25 Assessment Plan
 - 24-25 Fall MAP window open now
 - BESS Survey
 - SAT - practice
 - SAT, PSAT 9, 10
 - CMAS

Public Comment

- No public comment was made.