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# Board Meeting Minutes May 8, 2024

DJHS Board Meeting 6 pm - DJHS Library Wednesday, May 8, 2024 · 6:00 – 8:00pm Time zone: America/Denver Google Meet joining information:

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Mission: To provide a college preparatory education for all enrolled students.

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#### **Consent Items**

- March 13, 2024 Minutes
- Updated DJHS Budget
- <u>Longevity Bonus</u>
- Performance Bonus
- Real Estate Agency Agreement Form
- Notice of 2024-2025 Board Meetings

### **Grants, Donations & Fundraisers**

- Problem Gambling Coalition \$3,000 School Grant 24-25 SY
- Green Standard Office Chairs
- Monthly Neighbor Donations
- Copiers Fulfilled Lease Terms and the 2 copiers are school property.
- School Determined Funds (SDF) 2020 Bond Program \$175,000
  - Electronic Marquee Sign \$25,000
  - o Signage/Graphics Interior & Exterior \$15,500
    - Door Wraps
    - Window Displays
    - Column Wraps



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- Technology Students Computer Labs & Chromebooks \$56,750
- Furniture Lab awaiting quote

## **Budget**

- <u>2023-2024</u> DJHS Budget
  - o April Balance Sheet
  - o DJHS Balance Sheet March 2024
  - DJHS Financial Report: General Fund revenues are coming in at 71% of budget and expenses are at 74%. We are on track as we closed the third quarter of 2023-2024. Third Quarter Report 2024
- Draft 2024-2025 Budget Updated
  - o Based on 104 Students
  - Final DJHS Budget due to DPS June 14, 2024
- Workman's Comp Associates Insurance
  - Lower's expenses
  - Resources & Training
- June Second Semester Health Incentive
  - Approved
- 2023-2024 Longevity Bonus
  - Discussed & Tabled in August 2023
- Performance Bonus for 23-24 SY
- Government Instrumentality for ERTC in Colorado Charter Schools

In response to ongoing inquiries, the League sought an additional legal opinion on Colorado charter schools' eligibility for the federal Employee Retention Tax Credit (ERTC) program. Conducted by Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, this opinion differs from previous ones. While schools are encouraged to consult their attorneys before acting, it's essential to note that the ERTC program is currently on hold at the federal level, pending legislation such as the Tax Relief for American Families and Workers Act of 2024. If passed, claims made after January 31, 2024, would not be allowed. This update aims to provide transparency and guidance to our members amid evolving legal and legislative landscapes. Read the full legal response.

- Information for the DJHS Board
- Potential Conversation if interested in
- Consent Item if the DJHS Board decides to apply for the ERTC Program

#### **Building**

- Property Rental 300 E 9th Avenue CONTRACT
  - Boiler
  - Roof
  - Air Conditioning Repair/Update: Work Scheduled for May 13th-17th
  - Plumbing Awaiting scope of sewer line
  - Potential Property Agent Representation CONSENT ITEM
    - Proposed Agency Agreement Form
    - o Prior Agency Agreement Form 2022

## **School/Staff Updates**

- District
  - DPS Redistricting of the 5 Districts in Denver
    - Result of Census Update to balance for equal populations
    - No Change for DJHS
  - April 3, 2024 DJHS Community Night RSVP's for DPS Board Members
    - o President Olson, Director Esserman, Director Gaytan, Director De La Rosa
- School
  - 2024-2025 Notice of DJHS Board Meetings
  - Career Conference, May 8, 2024
    - Organizations:
      - Electricians Local 68
      - HVACR Local 208
      - Emily Griffith Technical College
      - Lincoln Tech
  - Class of 2024 Graduates
    - DJHS Board Members Attending
    - DPS Board of Education Members Attending: President Olson & Director Gaytan
  - Summer School
  - 2024-2025 School Year:
    - School Year Calendar: awaiting review from CDE & DPS
    - Multilingual Education MLE
      - Instructional Model 2024-2025
      - Support incorporated into all core subjects
    - Student Count: 97
    - Projected Graduates: 16
    - SEL Program -

- DJHS 2024-2025 Calendar
- Phoenix Day Excursions
  - Manitou Incline, Garden of the Gods
  - Appreciation to Mr. Losh for Driving
- LiberatEDWay Status of Work
- Momentum S & R Site Visit (funded by CDE 2023 EASI Grant) Status Update
- Board
  - Training
    - Annual Non-Discrimination Training
      - PowerPoint from CDE
    - Governance Training Sessions via Colorado League
- Staff
  - Administrative Assistant Update
  - Principal Evaluation
  - Employee Evaluation & Contracts for 2024-2025 SY
- Assessments (Bauer)
  - o <u>Draft 2024-2025 Testing Calendar</u>
  - Tu Voz District Recognition for High Completion Rate
  - Spring BESS (Behavior and Emotional Screening System) 100% Completion
  - Successful PSAT/SAT/CMAS testing windows.
    - Transition to full digital administration was successful; zero issues, zero irregularities
    - Slight swell in testing opt outs; up from 1 to 9 students. Word of mouth likely cause.
      - Sig lower than traditional schools (our ~7% opt out rate to their 15-50%)
      - Sig lower than most charters (some as high as 88%)
    - Our completion rates continue to rise, but still need improvement.
      - SAT: 70% of eligible students tested
      - PSAT10: 40% of eligible students tested (our lowest completion rate)
      - PSAT 9: 65% of eligible students tested
      - CMAS 11th Grade: 90% of eligible students tested
      - ACCESS Testing
    - Final MAP window open now
      - Student scores are looking promising at this point

• GLE and Growth are being calculated to hit SPF targets (See tracking sheet)

## **Public Comment:**

- DJHS 2023-2024 UIP
- 2024-2025 Master Schedule
- DJHS Black Excellence Plan 2023-2024