

District Advisory Council (DAC) Update to the Board

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DAC Updates and Follow Up from June's Update

- School Site Council website checklist
 - Schools that have done the homework
 - How the district can help the school sites keep webpages up-to-date
- SSC page push out from the Eugene Brucker Education Center IT Department
 - Consistency
 - Equity
- New Family and Community Engagement Executive Director
 - Parent engagement surveys need to be inclusive of all parents/stakeholders
 - School Site Family Engagement Plans
- Updates to Ballard Parent Center

The Blurred Lines Between SSC and SGT

- Many School Site Council representatives also sit on their school site's Site Governance Team (SGT), which is part of the SDEA contract.
- Many sites have SSCs and SGTs that meet at the same time, often blurring the lines between the two groups.
- A representative from Labor Relations came to the DAC meeting in November to discuss the scope and responsibilities of the SGT.
- Transparency for parents sitting on a Site Governance Team isn't as obvious as it is for parents on School Site Council.
- Parents are entitled to SGT training.

Attendance Update

- Why is it important?
 - Limited means for communication between Financial Planning, Monitoring, and Accountability (FPMA) and school sites.
 - Site voice, concerns, feedback and sharing best practices.
 - Continuity
- June's report showed low or no attendance from the schools receiving the most Title I funds.
- At the November meeting, only 17 out of 60 "True" Title I schools had reps in attendance.
- Averaging 22 percent attendance so far this school year.
- DAC attendance could be a good measure of parent involvement.

DAC Title I Allocation Recommendation

- The Title I Work Group was created out of a request from membership to see different ranking scenarios.
- Three meetings were held, with parents, teachers, principals, and district staff.
- The work group made the recommendation to change the allocation to \$4.50, which is \$1 less than the status quo.
 - Justification is equity – the range between \$364.41 per student and \$45.41 can be narrowed giving the 41 percent schools \$30-\$40 more per student.
- A vote was held November's meeting and the proposed change to the \$4.50 decrement passed.

Moving Ahead

- LCAP Updates
- Changes to Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
- Area Superintendents
- More Best Practices
- Parent Engagement