



Ascent Classical Academy
of Douglas County

MINUTES

School Accountability Committee Meeting 17 January 2023

Location:

10004 Park Meadows Drive
Lone Tree, CO 80124

Call to Order

- Mr. Wagner called the meeting to order at 3:38 pm.

Roll Call

- Present: Mr. Rutan, Mr. Clay, Mr. Wagner, Mrs. Nungesser, Mrs. Silverthorn, Mrs. Chansilp, Mrs. Lewicki, Dr. Jones, Mrs. Walker (via phone)
- Guests: Mrs. Schumé Navarro, Mrs. Rachel Keane, Mrs. Arielle Clay, Mrs. Jenelle Thompson, Mrs. Nicole Hunt, Mrs. Annie Kaess

Minutes

- Minutes from the November SAC meeting presented and unanimously approved. The October SAC meeting's minutes and the minutes from this meeting will be approved at the next meeting

UIP Update

- There should be a correlation between grades earned in classes and test scores
- Town halls being held by grade level to discuss how kids are doing and expectations
- Retention strategy
 - Upper school: Summer makeup credits if 1-2 classes are failed; if 3 are failed, repeat the grade
 - Grammar school: more case by case basis
- What are Ascent's standards? State standards are known, but ours are poorly defined. Standards are not curriculum and content
- Possible Latin alternative, which would require a curriculum amendment

Membership

- Two teachers invited
- Add parents through an interview-based process

New Headmaster

- Dr. Corbin has just come on board; no duties yet but will go to Hillsdale in 2 weeks for a job fair possibly to hire teachers
- Find out who intends to return beforehand so that specific vacancies can be filled
- Dr. Corbin revealed that he is a finalist for a tenure track position at Hillsdale so he might not be able to accept the headmaster position after all



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SAC Bylaws

- Review of new bylaws draft
- Mr. Wagner would like to see a SAC member attend the town halls regularly and create feedback mechanisms for quarterly discussion
- Network has a faculty satisfaction survey; need clarity around how SAC can see and use this feedback in an anonymized manner
- Feedback on SAC bylaws should be directed to Adam or Meghann

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:06 pm.

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Mr. Adam Rutan, President

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Meghann Silverthorn", written over a horizontal line.

Mrs. Meghann Silverthorn, Secretary