



Ascent Classical Academy
of Douglas County

MINUTES

School Accountability Committee Meeting 14 January 2025

Location:

10004 Park Meadows Drive
Lone Tree, CO 80124

Call to Order

- Mr. Rutan called the meeting to order at 3:36 pm.

Roll Call

- Present: Headmaster Jones, Mr. Rutan, Mr. Reed, Ms. Nungesser, Mrs. Silverthorn, Dr. Loftus, Dr. Jones, Mr. Lenhart, Mr. Walsh; Excused: Mrs. Walker

Parent Survey

- 2024 survey questions/results passed out
 - What should we keep/remove or add?
- Open-ended extracurriculars list
 - Remove/pare back items to what we already have
 - Find out interests, what do we want to see?
- Before and after care, not sure about offerings
 - Grants are available, but the program must be open to any child regardless of what school the child attends
 - Summer camps may be offered or prep programs
 - Should we keep a before school, after school, or summer program question? Remove the before school care question because it's unrealistic to offer
- How likely are you to recommend the school?
 - Should the scale be 1 to 5 or 1 to 10? The one to 10 scale is associated with Net Promoter
 - A board member wanted one to 10, but it's uncertain how important that is to them and they have entrusted us with survey design and have not involved themselves in the past
- Is there a way to figure out the number of students represented by the survey responses?
 - Are we asking parents to fill out the survey more than once, for each student?
 - How do we boost the number of responses?
 - The goal should be 250 to 400 families
 - Discussion of incentives and their affect. Mr. Jones will check on some of the particulars.
- How long should it be kept open?
 - Should be two weeks like last year?
 - If we do a full 3 to 4 weeks, we can do lots of PR and lots of buildup
 - Correct highlighting for the emails, like sending an email for that on its own or a set of emails

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- How to prevent people from taking it more than once
 - Dr. Loftus will check and see

Renewal

- Five-year renewal for Ascent
- Hillsdale will be here in March to do multiple observations

Minutes

- The minutes from the 12 November 2024 SAC Meeting were presented and unanimously approved.

Revisiting of minutes items

- IEP/504s, etc.
 - Higher IEP and 504 numbers, make it more challenging but certainly not impossible for teachers and the Hillsdale component
 - There are classical school expectations and challenges

Next meeting

- Next regularly scheduled meeting is March 11
- There will be an email to decide if we need to have a meeting in February

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 4:42 pm.



Mr. Adam Rutan, President



Mrs. Meghann Silverthorn, Secretary