

Monument Academy
School Accountability Advisory Committee
(SAAC)



**Minutes May 10, 2017; 1pm –Regularly Scheduled Meeting
Monument Academy, Office of Lis Richard, Principal**

Name	Position
Lis Richard	Principal
Elizabeth Davis	Principal; Chief Academic Officer
Tanja Curtis	SAAC Chair; Parent
Al Brown	SAAC Vice Chair; Public Member
Nanette Walker Smith	SAAC Secretary; DAAC Rep; Parent
Scott Saunders	MA School Board Liaison; Parent
Sarah Hall	Preschool Rep; 4 th ; 7 th
Rachel Strahl	Elementary School Rep
Sara Petrie	Elementary School Rep
Richard Hart	Middle School Rep
Mimi Brown	Public Member
Dana Gregory	Parent
Heather Kohlhase	Parent; DAAC Rep
Bob Linza	Parent; Committee Member
Rick Dahlman	Middle School; DAAC Rep; Parent

1. **Welcome and Roll** Meeting call to order @1:14pm
 - A. Attendance: Elizabeth Davis, Tanja Curtis, Al Brown, Nanette Walker Smith, Rachel Strahl, Sara Petrie, Mimi Brown, Dana Gregory, Heather Kohlhase

2. **Housekeeping:**
 - A. 12 Apr 17 Minutes; motion by Mimi Brown to accept; seconded by Tanja Curtis; unanimously accepted as written.

3. **Old Business and Updates:**
 - A. **Principal Richard:**
 - 1) UIP was submitted to District 38 and the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) and is posted on the CDE website. <http://tinyurl.com/mb7bftx> (click on the tabs to view through MA's *profile, accountability, performance, students, staff, finance, courses, and health* on file with the CDE)
 - B. **Principal Davis:**
 - 1) On behalf of the administration of MA, thank you for being on this committee and serving the students and school for the hundreds of hours you provide voluntarily. Thank you for welcoming me to MA. My voice mail will be up and running very soon. The situation is a good one coming in and is welcoming.
 - SAAC very happy of the extensive crossover between the principals.
 - C. **End of Year Survey:** Al & Mimi Brown
 - 1) Final draft presentation to the Committee reviewed; final edits will be compiled by Nanette Walker Smith and Al Brown over the next week.
 - 2) Final presentation to the MA School Board May 18 @6pm
 - D. **District Accountability Advisory Committee (DAAC)** – Nanette Walker Smith; Heather Kohlhase; Rick Dahlman

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- 1) Next meeting will be in the fall.
- 2) BAAC training session will be first and is recommended the new liaisons attend.

E. **MA School Board Report** – Scott Saunders

- 1) Names of the two incoming Board members: Mark McWilliams and Mike Molsen
- 2) Highlights from the April 13, 2017 Board Meeting:
 - The MA UIP has been submitted to the District Accountability Committee. The entire report is available on the CDE website.
 - First annual Grandparents Day was held on April 28 and was by all accounts a tremendous success. Over 600+ grandparents attended. Amy Torrence and Angela Leighty did a fantastic job planning and coordinating this entire event.
 - On April 6, 2017, a meeting was held with regarding Highway 105 which included Dr. Griffin (MA Executive Director), Jim Reid (El Paso County Works Director), Jennifer Irvine (El Paso County Engineer), Kevin Woodward (LDS Stake President), Sue Taracena (LDS Facilities Manager). It was a good meeting and Mr. Reid and Ms. Irvine said they were going back to research more and redraw plans incorporating suggestions from the meeting.
 - The Board approved the 2017-2018 budget. The approved budget is posted on MA's website.
 - The Board revised 2016-2017 Preschool Appropriation which was increased by \$3,600 to \$199,000.

F. **Committee Selection**

- 1) The Committee discussed the need to continue to promote at the class newsletter level for new committee members now in preparation for next year. The chair of the Committee should revise the 'ad' to encourage participation for this and next year.
- 2) Principal Davis will encourage this to go out to Elementary newsletters, to Middle School parents, and Sarah Hall will put it in Preschool newsletters.

G. **SAAC Bylaws Review**

- 1) DAAC Bylaws are completed. SAAC Bylaws can be reviewed in the fall when SAAC reconvenes and the new committee has a chance to review
 - *ERROR to correct:* Article IV Section D references Article V, Section E (which does not exist) – need to go back to original draft and see why that got cut out. May be a formatting problem. Will be fixed when the committee addresses the bylaws.
 - Consider review of new committee selection section for early in fall rather than May

4. **New Business:**

A. Committee for 2017-2018

- 1) Selection of Committee positions at first meeting in fall.
 - Suggestion to move meeting to a 1:30pm time slot to make pick up easier and/or consider after school or evening time
- 2) Tanja Curtis to write an article for Lynx News; Heather Kohlhasse will contribute her comments
- 3) Principal Davis to talk up SAAC at orientation days
- 4) Table at Orientation – with info slips and representation for questions

5. **Next Meeting Date and Topics:**

- A. TBD – Tanja Curtis and Principal Davis will coordinate end of the summer.

6. **SAAC Meeting Schedule for 2017-2018 - TBD**

Meeting adjourned: @2:10pm; motion to adjourn by Al Brown; seconded by Tanja Curtis, passed unanimously.