MINUTES
DSST Public Schools Board Meeting
January 19, 2023
DSST: Elevate Northeast High School

Meeting Called to Order: 2:08 p.m.

Board Members Present:
Alyssa Whitehead-Bust
Andrew Sinclair
Brenda J. Allen (by phone)
Gloria Zamora
Jean Kutner
Mark Ferrandino
Mary Haynes
Peter Fritzinger
Scott Arthur
Teresa Berryman (by phone)

Parent Present: None

Board Members Absent: Billy Brown, David Greenberg, Glen Russo, Patrick O’Rourke

DSST Staff Present: Aaron Griffen, Andy Mendrop, Bill Kurtz, Christine Nelson, Danielle Felder, Luisa Harkins, Moira Wiedenman (by phone), Nick Plantan, Nicole Fulbright (by phone), Travonda Favorite

DPS Staff Present: None

Others Present: None

Public Comment: None

Welcome:
Ms. Zamora welcomed everyone to the meeting. As part of the Board’s commitment to their DEI journey, Ms. Zamora asked each board member to share where they will focus their personal DEI attention and energy for the rest of the school year.

Ms. Nelson introduced Ms. Favorite, DSST: Elevate High School Director. Ms. Favorite shared a brief overview of the school and then engaged in a Q&A with the board. Ms. Felder shared an opportunity for the Board to join Elevate with their recruitment efforts on Saturday 1/21/23.
Approval Items:
Motion to approve previous board meeting minutes, Fritzinger
Second: Arthur
Vote: Unanimous approval

Discussion: Mr. Kurtz and Ms. Fulbright presented a PPT on DSST’s Strategic Plan, which included context around setting performance targets and budgeting to implement the plan. Mr. Kurtz and Ms. Fulbright requested board input on the Strategic Plan to enable finalization at the end of January 2023.

I move that the DSST Board approve the Core Components of the DSST Strategic Plan, Allen
Second: Kutner
Vote: Unanimous approval

Reports:
Advancement: Mr. Mendrop gave an update via PPT on DSST’s Development work to date. Mr. Mendrop encouraged board members to join the Elevate Breakfast Tour on 2/8/23 at 8:00a.m. and attend Senior Signing Day on 4/27/23.

New Business: None

Executive Session
Ms. Zamora stated, “I would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session as permitted by the Colorado Open Meetings Act for the purpose of considering the following matters:

(2) Pursuant to Colorado Revised Statute 24-6-402
   • (4) (e) Determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators

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   • (4) (f) personnel matters

Motion to go into Executive Session, Arthur
Second: Ferrandino
Vote: Unanimous approval

Motion to adjourn Executive Session, Fritzinger
Second: Berryman
Vote: Unanimous approval

Motion to adjourn board meeting, Arthur
Second: Haynes
Vote: Unanimous approval
Respectfully Submitted,

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Luisa Harkins (note-taker), Secretary