MINUTES
DSST Public Schools Board Meeting
May 18, 2023
Aurora Science and Tech, Room 311

Meeting Called to Order: 2:09p.m.

Board Members Present:
Alyssa Whitehead-Bust (by zoom)
Andrew Sinclair
Billy Brown
David Greenberg
Glenn Russo
Gloria Zamora
Jean Kutner
Mark Ferrandino
Mary Haynes
Peter Fritzinger
Scott Arthur

Parent Present: None

Board Members Absent: Brenda J. Allen, Patrick O’Rourke, Teresa Berryman

DSST Staff Present: Aaron Griffen, Andy Mendrop, Ashley Wiegner, Bill Kurtz, Carrie Ramsey, Christine Nelson, Danielle Felder, Katie Glenn, Kryszelda Gorrell, Megan McBryde, Nick Plantan, Tony Eberspacher

DPS Staff Present: None

Others Present: None

Public Comment: None

Welcome:
Ms. Zamora welcomed everyone to the meeting and the board participated in an icebreaker.

Ms. Nelson introduced Ms. Gorrell, Aurora Science and Tech High School Director. Ms. Gorrell shared a brief overview of the school and then engaged in a Q&A with the board.
Approval Items:
Motion to approve previous board meeting minutes, Kutner
Second: Haynes
Vote: Unanimous approval

Motion to approve DSST’s FY24 budget, Arthur
Second: Greenberg
Vote: Unanimous approval

Motion to approve Glenn Russo as DSST’s new Board Chair, Fritzinger
Second: Haynes
Vote: Unanimous approval
*Glenn Russo abstained

Motion to approve Jean Kutner as DSST’s new Co-Vice Board Chair, Haynes
Second: Ferrandino
Vote: Unanimous approval
*Jean Kutner abstained

Motion to approve Peter Fritzinger as DSST’s Co-Vice Board Chair, Ferrandino
Second: Russo
Vote: Unanimous approval
*Peter Fritzinger abstained

Discussion: Mr. Plantan presented a PPT on DSST’s FY24 Long-Term Forecast. Following Mr. Plantan’s presentation, the board engaged in Q&A. Ms. Fulbright presented a PPT on DSST’s Strategic Plan 2028. Following Ms. Fulbright’s presentation, the board engaged in Q&A.

Reports:
CEO: Mr. Kurtz shared updates on DSST’s college success numbers, hiring, school safety, growth, and 20th year celebration.

Executive: Ms. Zamora shared the DSST Board Leadership changes for next school year and asked for motions to approve the changes (see Approval Items section for motions). Ms. Zamora will be the Past Board Chair next year. She also shared that DSST Board Leadership is working to identify Committee Chairs for 2023-24.
Advancement: Mr. Arthur provided a brief Senior Signing Day fundraising update. Mr. Arthur also shared that he will be stepping down as the Chair of the Advancement Committee next year.

New Business: None

Motion to adjourn board meeting, Russo
Second: Ferrandino
Vote: Unanimous approval

Respectfully Submitted,

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Katie Glenn (note-taker), Secretary