

Dear DAC Members,

Thank you for your commitment to serving in this important role for DPS. In preparation for next Tuesday's launch meeting, please see the attached materials.

District Accountability Committee Launch Meeting

Tuesday, February 24, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Emily Griffith Campus, 1860 Lincoln St., Room 735

Landon Mascarenaz from our Family and Community Engagement team will serve as the facilitator for the meeting, during which we hope to achieve the following objectives:

- DAC members will understand the new structure and opportunity
- DAC members will share their stories and connect with other DAC members
- DAC members will select subcommittees, committee members and officers
 - Standing subcommittees are budget, Unified Improvement Plan, charter applicant review, and we'll need to pull an ad hoc subcommittee to work on updating the by-laws. Be thinking about which subcommittee(s) pique your interest – we've already got a team lined up for the budget subcommittee.
 - Typical officer structure is chair, co-chair and secretary. Please consider whether you would like to serve in an officer role, as we'll select officers during the meeting.

The attachments are described here:

- DAC Manual, including the DPS Board Policy and Procedures regarding the committee
- Denver Plan 2020, the district's strategic plan

Things on the horizon for the DAC:

- Budget subcommittee recommendations to the Board regarding the proposed 2015-16 budget
- By-laws revisions to align DAC by-laws with Board policy and procedures (which are aligned to state statute regarding DACs)
- Charter school application reviews and recommendations to the Board in alignment with the Call for New Quality Schools

I look forward to working with all of you. Have a wonderful weekend, stay warm, and let me know if you have any questions at this point.