

DAC (District Advisory Council) Meeting

<u>Purpose:</u> Provide a forum to share information, exchange ideas, and engage in meaningful dialogue with parents regarding District initiatives, programs, and services

Please submit topics for discussion to Faith Ann Farber at faith.farber@carbondalearea.org

Non-Purpose: This form is not intended to be a forum to discuss personal/individual issues.

AGENDA August 12, 2020

Meeting Minutes

Meeting held via Zoom.

The meeting began with each person present introducing themselves.

1. Who is Mrs. Sayre?

Mrs. Sayre is an educator with over twenty years of experience in the field. She was the Principal of Red Land High School for 11.5 years and has 17 years of experience as an administrator including central office. Originally from Mifflintown, Pennsylvania, she earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in History from Susquehanna University. She has served in the capacity of social studies teacher, field hockey coach, girls' basketball coach, softball coach, and assistant principal at the middle school and high school levels.

2. H/S Plan – Return to School

Currently, the administrative team is working on building level return plans.

Several parents provided specific comments on distance learning in the spring. Parents appreciate a high level of communication from the teaching staff, organization, accountability, and consistency of expectations as it relates to submitting assignments. There was also discussion around IEP implementation during distance learning.

3. Microsoft Office Teams vs. Google Suite

Discussion was held regarding both platforms- positives and negatives. The district committed to Microsoft Office Teams in the spring. It is important to master one platform before moving onto other technologies. Mrs. Sayre noted that the first two days of professional development for 2020-2021 is dedicated to Microsoft Office Teams training.

4. CISU Parent Portal Rollout

Mrs. Sayre shared that the district will be opening up the parent portal for this fall. This action will permit parents to print report cards and obtain a lot of additional school information.

Additional Items:

It was determined that DAC will meet the Tuesday of each month (excluding December) at 6:15 PM.

A comment was made about advertising the CASD Cyber Program.