

ACTION ITEM FOR 3/5/19

RE: Mill Bond Oversight Ad-Hoc Committee - Membership Approval

In the days and weeks leading up to the general election in November 2018, community members asked how DCSD would ensure transparency and accountability for the MLO/Bond dollars should ballot initiatives 5A and 5B pass. We informed our community that DCSD would create an oversight committee tasked with ensuring that MLO/Bond dollars were spent as outlined in the ballot language.

In the spirit of *"Promises Made. Promises Kept. Promises Delivered."* upon the passage of 5A and 5B, DCSD went to work creating a plan to develop a citizens oversight committee for these new local tax dollars. An [outline of the committee's purpose, membership, etc.](#) was presented during the December 13, 2018 board meeting. DCSD staff then put out a call to community members asking them to apply to serve on the Mill Bond Oversight Ad-Hoc Committee.

One-hundred fifty-eight (158) applications were received from community members by the deadline of January 11, 2019.

DCSD's current board committees, as well as the Student Advisory Group and Employee Council each selected one member to serve on the Mill Bond Oversight Ad-Hoc Committee (MBOC). In addition, one licensed educator, two DCSD staff members, and two DCSD Board of Education members were appointed to the committee. These individuals then served as the group who would review membership applications, interview candidates, and recommend to the Board who they believe should be selected to serve on the MBOC. Two of the appointed individuals were not selected in time to participate on the interview committee.

Those appointed to the MBOC were:

- DCSD Board Members (non-voting members of interview committee): Anthony Graziano & Wendy Vogel
- DCSD Staff: Richard Cosgrove, Chief Operations Officer & Scott Smith, Chief Financial Officer
- District Accountability Committee Rep: Irene Borisov
- Fiscal Oversight Committee Rep: Jim Maras
- Long Range Planning Committee Rep: John Freeman
- Educator Rep: Mary Jo King
- Student Advisory Group Rep: Zoe Zizzo (student, Rock Canyon HS)*
- Employee Council Rep: Kendra Gish (high school teacher)*

**not appointed in time to be part of the interview committee*

On February 12, 2019, eight (8) current members of the MBOC met to review all applications and 29 applicants were selected across nine (9) community categories to interview.

On February 27, eight (8) current members of the MBOC interviewed the 29 applicants using a standardized set of interview questions.

Based on these interviews, the MBOC interview committee recommends to the DCSD Board of Education that the following individuals serve on the Mill Bond Oversight Ad-Hoc Committee, until the MBOC sunsets after three years, with an option to extend with Board approval.

- DCSD Licensed Educator (Secondary): Acacia Fante
- Business Community Representative: Dennis Houston
- Government Agency Representative: Kristin Baumgartner
- Community Member At-Large: Joe Robinson
- Safety and Security Representative: Seth Morrissey
- Parent/Guardian - DCSD Charter School Student: Sabrina DeRamus
- Parent/Guardian - Castle Rock Region: Greg Miner
- Parent/Guardian - Highlands Ranch Region (East and West) (2): Cara McLean and Robert Brawley
- Parent/Guardian - Parker Region: Lacey Rupert

Total number of MBOC members: 20

The next step for the MBOC is to select the date, time and location of its first meeting. From there, this oversight committee will meet on a quarterly basis.