

Tyler Millsap, Principal

Da Vinci Charter Academy Advisory Board MINUTES
1400 E 8th Street
Davis, CA 95616
Wednesday, 19 January, 2022
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Zoom Meeting Link:

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Members in Attendance: Mallory Arevalos, Scott Stephen Bell, Martha Diepenbrock, Sofia Garibay, Amy Haug, Adela Johnson, Calvin Laurensen, Tyler Millsap, Annie Nelson, Rachel Nervo, Allison Powell, Caren Weintraub.

Agenda:

- 1. Welcome
- 2. DVCA Admin Updates
 - a. Update on current conditions.
 - i. HS: The Omicron surge has brought new challenges, especially with student absences and staff responsibilities for contact tracing and teacher responsibility for providing and tracking work with students out. Absences range from COVID cases, fear of exposure, and unknown reasons. DVHS has developed a process for sending out and tracking work as best as possible. Many students are not keeping up with current coursework.
 - ii. JH: Many students have been absent & missing important end of semester projects. Staff concerned about students keeping up. Substitute pool is low and spread thin. Coverage for teachers who are out has been difficult. DVJH is also developing a system for sending out and tracking student work.
 - b. New Senior High School Bell Schedule There has been lots of recent dialogue among students, staff and parents regarding the schedule that was recently approved by BoE with three block days. Several iterations have since been created to alter the sequencing of block periods to best meet everyone's needs. At this point, the BoE remains committed to the approved, three-block schedule. We will wait to see if public input results in any further changes.
- 3. Advisory Board Member Updates: None
- 4. Planning for 2022-23 LCAP (<u>last year's advisory presentation</u>)
 - a. **Supplement to Addendum Update**: *DVCA* is required to submit this to demonstrate use of relief funds. The report was submitted earlier this week to district office for presentation to BoE in February. Can be viewed *HERE*.
 - b. **Midyear LCAP Update**: State is asking LEAs to do an update to the LCAP mid-year. DV must complete and share with BoE alongside the

DJUSD LCAP in Feb. This report is in progress and includes existing progress on LCAP metrics and LCAP expenditures. Report will be complete by Friday, January 28, 2022.

- i. School Climate Data (2021 Youth Truth): Executive summary of DVHS Student report and DVJH Student report are shared. DVJH Principal Nelson discusses positive results and comments on observations regarding the impact on relationships and climate due to missed opportunities for in-person connection over the past two years. Principal Millsap highlights very strong results for Academic Challenge and Belonging and Peer Collaboration and shares observations on surprisingly low College and Career results. Some discussion on timing of Youth Truth follows to ensure that sophomores and juniors have opportunities to meet with counselors prior to survey. Board members share questions about whether DVJH students are very aware of the skills and levels of preparedness that they acquire and perhaps don't completely reflect this in the results.
- ii. **Academic data** (iReady) next month: Students are currently taking the second iReady diagnostic in Math and Reading. This data will help inform LCAP metrics.
- c. The 2022-23 LCAP: Annual LCAP timeline is reviewed. Principal Millsap explains that while important, and required, the amount of dollars addressed in the DVCA LCAP is relatively small because many expenses are fixed and also addressed through the DJUSD LCAP. Principal Millsap shares last year's Advisory LCAP presentation with DVCA's three goals. Will bring back to Advisory to discuss progress on various goals and ask for input for action/services to put in place for the coming year. The LCAP will need to be reviewed and finalized for BoE submission in May or June.
- 5. **Recruitment Discussion**: Principal Millsap asks for support with recruitment. Looking for members to support with handing out extra postcards and for getting out yard signs.
 - a. Preview Recruitment Videos
 - b. Advisory Board Member support
 - i. Postcards: Caren offers to hand out postcards at UC Davis; Amy will hand out in Vacaville; Mr. Bell suggests handing them out at recruitment; idea suggested to distribute at St. James and Waldorf Principal Millsap will deliver to those sites.
 - ii. Yard Signs: No clear plan for yard sign distribution. Advisory members state a willingness to post in their own yards or host pick up stations for current parents.

Ongoing 2021-22 Initiatives

- Planning for Grade 9 Transition & JH Expansion in grades 7 & 8
 - Grade Realignment FAQs
- School Safety Plan Review
- Recruitment Planning
- Budget Overview
- LCAP Planning

Upcoming Meeting Dates

• Wednesday, February 9th from 5 – 6 pm

- Wednesday, March 9th from 5 6 pm
- Wednesday, April 13th from 5 6 pm
- Wednesday, May 11th from 5 6 pm

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