



# District Parent Council Agenda March 11, 2024 6:30-7:30 p.m.

#### Board Room at Harriet Tubman Administration Building

### **DPC Mission Statement**

The District Parent Council in partnership with the Auburn Enlarged City School District will act as a forum for communication and support between members of the school community in order to benefit all students.

## **AECSD Mission Statement**

The mission of the Auburn Enlarged City School District is to develop citizens that are capable of meeting the challenges of their future by providing equitable, fiscally sound educational opportunities necessary to develop confident life-long learners.

| Topics:  | Attendees: Jeffrey Pirrozolo, Sarah      |
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| AJH Concerns   | Cupelli, Amy Mahunk, David Oliver,       |
| <ul> <li>Breaking Up Family Engagement Plan</li> </ul> | Jessica Kline, Linsday Stefanak, Renee   |
| Re-Branding DPC  | Jensen, Seth Jensen. Alisa Lawton, Kevin |
| Survey Creation  | Lawton, Christina Selvek, Renate Mandy,  |
|  | Allison Fennessy, Ian Phillips           |
|  | Chairperson: Noel Romeo                  |
|  | First Vice Chair: MaryBeth Leeson        |
|  | (absent)                                 |
|  | Second Vice Chair: Joseph Sheppard       |
|  | (absent)                                 |
|  | Secretary: Christine Siddall (absent)    |

## Meeting Objectives:

- Discuss/Share
  - Review & Discuss: Auburn Junior HIgh Issues, DPC Format, Family Engagement Plan
  - Share, Discuss, & Decide: Parent Survey, DPC "Branding"

#### Schedule

| Time      | Minutes | Activity/Tasks  |
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| 6:30-7:00 | 30 mins | <ul> <li>Dave Oliver, AJH Principal spoke about the current status of Auburn Junior HIgh and the discipline issues at the high school.</li> <li>Right now, a student who engages in a fight is suspended for five days and is brought to a superintendent's hearing. Those students will be suspended for the remainder of the year and attend the new night tutoring program at Auburn High School from 3:30-5:30.</li> <li>There has been an increase in student fighting over the last few years. There are two guidance counselors, a school</li> </ul> |





|            |         | <ul> <li>social worker, and a dean of students in addition to the administration (principal and vice principal) who try to prevent problems.</li> <li>85% of students at the junior high have not received a referral.</li> <li>There are 100 students who will be walking across the stage at the National Junior High Honor Society induction.</li> <li>There has not been a fight in three weeks, but there are currently six students suspended.</li> <li>They will start out with one night class and expand as possible.</li> <li>The teachers are in support of the program.</li> <li>A question was asked about what services are provided for students in need. There are community closets and student services available for students in need.</li> <li>The AJH PTO meeting is at the Auburn Junior High on the first Wednesday of every month.</li> <li>The AJH musical The Addams Family is this upcoming weekend, and the 6th graders will be coming to see it on Thursday. There is a Stingray Competition this weekend. There is a visiting author who will be presenting to the school tomorrow.</li> </ul>           |
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| 7:00-7:15  | 15 mins | <ul> <li>Break Up of Family Engagement Plan</li> <li>Survey Creation         <ul> <li>Ms. Mahunik put up a blank Google Form to create a District Parent Council Survey. The purpose of the survey is how to expand DPC to all families and increase engagement in DPC.</li> <li>A new parent shared that they didn't know what DPC is or when it was and that this information needs to be more widely shared.</li> <li>The questions - do you know what it is, have you ever attended, what time of day is convenient, how do you get your information about school, what topics are you interested in discussing with the superintendent, what school level applies.</li> <li>Survey will be sent out after Spring Break and results will be discussed at the June Meeting.</li> </ul> </li> <li>DPC Branding - it was shared that the current name suggests that it might not be inclusive and that the name suggests it might have to do with the school board. The title is off putting as it suggests it does not apply to parents.</li> <li>Set topic for April - it will be working on the family engagement plan.</li> </ul> |
| 7:35 -7:38 | 5 mins  | <ul> <li>Superintendent Report - Budget season is here. A budget<br/>workshop will be at the end of the month and the budget will<br/>be shared in April.</li> </ul>   |





| 7:38-7:42 | 10 mins | <ul> <li>Parent Concern         <ul> <li>A parent asked about the swim program and<br/>partnering with the YMCA, Jeff's response is that this<br/>is a work in progress to get the best facilities for our<br/>students. There is also an issue with the closure of<br/>the bowling lanes that Jeff is working on for next</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
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|           |         | year.   |

The next DPC Meeting will be on Tuesday, April 2nd at 6:30 in the Auburn High School Library (note location change due to voting booths being set up at Tubman).