

Bylaws for the Sangre De Cristo Accountability and Advisory Committee

Introduction and Authority

The State of Colorado, through the Education Accountability Act of 2009 (SB-09-163), mandates that each school district have a District Accountability Committee. These bylaws reflect the requirements of the State, and some of the language is taken directly from the law.

I. Name The name of the committee is the Sangre De Cristo Accountability and Advisory Committee hereon referred to as the Committee.

II Purpose The purpose of the Committee is to make recommendations to the Sangre De Cristo Board of Education concerning priorities for spending districts funds; make recommendations concerning the preparation of the district's Performance, Improvement, Priority Improvement, or Turnaround plan (whichever is applicable); and at least annually cooperatively determining with the BOE other areas and issues to address and make recommendations upon. The committee also facilitates and enhances communication and involvement between the SDC administration, parent community, and the student body.

III Membership The board shall appoint a school district accountability committee. The school district accountability committee should consist of at least three parents of students enrolled in the school district who are not employees of the district, at least one teacher from each school, either each school principal or the superintendent, one student from each school, and one person from the community who is involved in business.

IV Terms Initial terms for adult members other than administrators shall initially be for 1 or 2 years, and subsequent terms shall be for two years with half of the membership being replaced every year. Students shall serve one year. Terms shall run from June through May. Principals shall serve for the duration of their employment. Should vacancies need to be filled prior to June, the Committee may make recommendations of potential members to the Board

V Meetings The committee will meet on the third Monday of the month at least quarterly, and the meeting place shall be on the school campus. Meeting notices will be posted as required by law in the same locations as BOE meetings. All meeting shall be open to the public.

Meetings are generally run informally loosely following Robert's Rules of Order, however, at the Chair's discretion, a more formal application of RRO shall be enforced.

VI Quorum A quorum to conduct business is needed, and shall consist of a simple majority of members and include one teacher and one principal.

VII Agenda Working with the district administration, the agenda will be set by the DAAC chairman. There shall be an agenda posted one week prior to a regularly scheduled meeting.

VII Officers Officers of the Committee shall be a Chair, Vice-Chair, and secretary. The Chair must be a parent, not a staff member. Vacancies shall be filled each June as voted upon by Committee members. Officer terms shall run two years, and no more than two consecutive officer terms shall be permitted.

An officer shall represent the Committee at each monthly Board meeting, and the Secretary shall be responsible for Committee meeting minutes.

VIII Amendments These Bylaws may be amended. Amendment recommendations can be made with the concurrence of a majority of the Committee members. All amendment recommendations from the Committee will be presented to the BOE for approval. The BOE may make amendments on their own initiative.

Submitted for Approval on _____

Approved by the Sangre de Cristo Board of Education on _____