

## **Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) to the Superintendent: Key Communications**

### **Feb. 22, 2018**

Each school has two representatives on this committee. Attendees introduced themselves and shared their connections with the school district. Laura Lawyer and Holly Miller are co-chairs:

- We are here to learn, have discussions and give input to the superintendent. **Please bring information back to each of our schools, share it, and take back questions or concerns from other parents.**
- Please arrange for a parent substitute to attend PAC if you are unable to attend.

### **Superintendent's Update**

- Dr. Baker asked for reflections, wonders and questions related to [school safety](#) and the [student-led protests](#) on Feb. 21.
- **Facilities Update:** The bond passed on Feb. 13. Dr. Baker expressed his thanks for voter support and said we will be sending more information about an estimated timeline related to [bond projects](#).
- **Special Invite:** PAC representatives are invited to a special poverty immersion exercise from 9:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. on March 7. If you sign up, more information will be coming.

### **Special Education 101**

Director of Special Education, Mike Haberman and Assistant Director Bethany Verner presented information about the history of special education, how we support our students who receive special education services and the different types of programs within special education. Information is available on our [website](#).

Beth Eide, a special education teacher at Northern Heights Elementary who supports students with autism in our district, talked about the process for identifying students for special education.

### **Central Kitchen Update**

Director of Food Services and Executive Chef Patrick Durgan presented [design plans for the new central kitchen](#), which is located on Alpine Way in the Irongate area. He also talked about the [Good Food Promise](#) and our approach to food.

### **Parent Shout Outs**

- Birchwood has been hosting fun family and cultural nights.
- Columbia recently hosted an inclusion event to help families and students address issues and supports for non-binary students.

**Next Meeting:** March 29, 2018, District Office, Board Room

**Remaining 2017-18 PAC meeting dates:** 4/26, 5/31