

CSC MINUTES

Name: FNT CEC Middle College of Denver **Title:** CSC **Date:** April 17, 2014

Present: Scott Springer, Walter Ochoa, Mishel Sarkeiyans, Tricia Downing, David Irwin, Art Padilla, Ben Migliorino, Robin Wille, Cesar Mata

Absent: Silvia Amaro, Julie Clockston, Jan Tester

Visitor(s): Crystal Sides

CSC Facilitator: Walter Ochoa

What Happened & How

Approval of Minutes – Motion for approval brought forward by David Irwin and Art Padilla seconded.

SBOE Updates – Everything is going well. Tomorrow is the 9th grade celebration for the Penny Harvest. We are also having Emersion Day with the SBOE tomorrow.

The next project is the mentorship event. Our mentorships have been going so well that a couple of mentees have asked to be mentors next year.

We have started an “adopt a Rockies Player” program. Bench Coach Tom Runnells and Jorge De La Rosa will come next week to speak during an assembly. This program ties into our Aspen Challenge Project.

We chose our new reps for next year Amber Marquez and Francisco Terrones-Gonzalez.

Student Policy Handbook – Ben coordinated with his law class and the SBOE to narrow down the top 10 things and to make it more visually presentable.

Ben gave everyone a handout of the changes that his students have made so far—there are two students that he is missing comments from. Page 2 and page 6 of old book have been edited down to a half a page each. The new draft is down to 5 pages but the font is bigger. They are also rearranging the order and maybe putting the top 10 things in the handbook first.

They broke the language down so it is easier to understand and rearranged it so similar things are together.

Discussion followed:

What is the initial contract? If they already sign it at registration, we don’t need it in the handbook again.

Contract:

Scott: Every student that becomes a student at CEC Middle College and their parents sign a compact contract at registration. It goes over basic rules in the handbook.

Initial Contract – remove

David: make changes according to the suggestions below:

Plagiarism – also include telling a student the questions on a test

Discussion about what constitutes telling someone a specific question verses a subject/study guide.

Probation – placed on academic probation

Internet Use – suspension means from school

This topic needs to be in the handbook

Discipline – 2nd bullet for repeated misbehavior

Dress Code – 3rd bullet take out specific item list - genitalia

Sexual Harassment – 4th bullet changed to by using any threats

Cross checking old handbook with new proposed handbook:

Attendance:

Attendance Policy bullet 2, excused absence (*full or part day*) is an absence with...

Details on Absences bullet 1, *must be called in within 24 hours*

For a school business absence you will not be marked unexcused if you follow school procedures

Bulling: Need to make sure it includes cyber bullying

Closed Campus: Add 10th graders who earn A, B, and C are eligible for off campus privileges

Communication: Need something about the website and parent portal

Include a section of links for this info

Credit Recovery: Some changes made and moved

Dress Code: Add something about undergarments not being visible

Discipline: Add all district policies apply and refer to specific policies

ID's: Discussion regarding making the wearing of the ID's mandatory. It might not work well with CTE classes and some hands-on activities. Should the staff wear their ID's all the time. Let's talk to other staff and get some feedback before we make a decision. We should have the staff wearing them full-time before we ask the kids to.

Electronic Devices: Up to each teacher and student brings at their own risk

Food and Soft drinks: Teachers discretion

Grades: Combined with homework

Graduation: Add a link for DPS graduation requirements

Library: Hours and fees

Plagiarism: Revised

Add the statement from the old handbook about “Students taking classes at CCD should see the Community College of Denver’s Academic Integrity Policy at CCD’s website.”

Sexual Harassment: Add something about sexting

Smoking/Tobacco: No vapor pens, etc.
Combining this topic with Drugs and Alcohol

Student Shadow: Shorten to See Counseling

Visitors: Combined with Shadow

Topics that need to be in the updated Student Handbook but can be revised:

- Fighting
- Lockers
- Medications
- Selling on School Grounds
- Signs/Posters
- Online Academic Resources
- Bicycles/Skate Boards
- Transportation

Topics not needed in the updated Student Handbook:

- Lost and Found: Don’t need
- Counseling: Don’t need it in the handbook

Run final copy of revisions and have SBOE approve and then Ben will send the new draft to Scott and Rebecca so she can start working on the graphics by the end of April.

Other Items: Possibly shorting the name of the school. A Marketing company came in to give us input on how to market the school. Our current official name is Fred N. Thomas Career Education Center Middle College of Denver High School.

We aren’t officially changing the name but we are looking into new marketing strategies and will look into the possibility of changing the name. There are a lot of things to consider and steps to take before changing the school name would be an option.

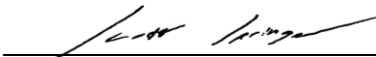
Mascot: What is the Mascot? A Phoenix or the Tree? SBOE can work on that next year

Next Meeting: May 15, 2014

Next Meeting Agenda

- Finalize Student Handbook
- UIP
- Principal Evaluation

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Reviewed By: 

Scott Springer, Principal

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