

NEW SUMMIT CHARTER ACADEMY

SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE BYLAWS

ARTICLE I NAME AND PURPOSE

SECTION 1.1 NAME

The name of the organization shall be New Summit Charter Academy Accountability Committee for ("SAC"). The office and location of all operations and affairs of SAC shall be at New Summit Charter Academy Campus.

SECTION 1.2 PURPOSES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The purpose of the SAC is to serve as the accountability committee at New Summit Charter Academy as required by State of Colorado public law (Senate Bill 09-090). Responsibilities of SAC shall include:

1.2.1 Monitoring whether the school is making progress toward implementation of the school's Performance, Improvement, Priority Improvement or Turnaround plan, whichever is applicable, or other progress pertinent to the school's accreditation requirements in the NSCA Charter with Academy District 20.

C.R.S. § 22-11-402(1)(d)

1.2.2 Serving as a focal point for input from the school stakeholders.

1.2.3 Recommending priorities to the principal for spending school monies. The principal shall consider the NSCA SAC's recommendations regarding spending state, federal, local, or private grants and any other discretionary monies and take them into account in formulating budget requests or in creating the school budget.

C.R.S. § 22-11-402(1)(a)

1.2.4 Providing recommendations and input to the principal regarding school safety.

1.2.5 Advising the principal concerning the preparation of a school performance or improvement plan, if either is required (**C.R.S. § 22-11-210**), and submit recommendations to principal. **C.R.S. § 22-11-402(1)(b)**

1.2.6 Advising the NSCA Board of Directors concerning the preparation of a school priority or turnaround plan, if either is required (**C.R.S. § 22-11 210**), and submit recommendations to the NSCA Board of Directors concerning the contents of the priority improvement or turnaround plan. **C.R.S. § 22-11-402(1)(f)**

1.2.7 Holding and publicizing a public SAC meeting to discuss strategies to include in a public-school priority improvement or turnaround plan, if either is required.

C.R.S. § 22-11-402(1)(f)

1.2.8 Publicizing a public hearing held to review a written public-school priority improvement or turnaround plan, if either is required. A member of the SAC is encouraged to attend the public hearing. **C.R.S. § 22-11 402(1)(g)**

1.2.9 Selecting from its members a chairperson and a co-chairperson.

1.2.10 Providing input and recommendations on an advisory basis to the NSCA Executive Director concerning principal development plans and evaluations.
C.R.S. § 22-11-402(1)(e)

1.2.11 Per Policy IKA State Assessments Systems Policy, at the beginning of each year, the SAC will communicate their preference for or against the paper and pencil testing option via the SAC minutes to NSCA administration.

ARTICLE II MEMBERS

SECTION 2.1 MEMBERSHIP

Membership in SAC shall be comprised of at least 7 individuals from NSCA community and no more than 10. Members shall only serve for one term of 24-month terms. Non-membership and participation is open to any individual from the NSCA Community.

SECTION 2.2 CATEGORY OF OFFICE

A good faith effort shall be made to have members of SAC be comprised of the following categories:

1. The principal of the school or the principal's designee
2. At least one teacher who provides instruction at the school
3. At least three parents or legal guardians of students enrolled in the school
4. At least one adult member of an organization of parents, teachers, and students recognized by the school
5. At least one person from the community

C.R.S. § 22-11-401

A person may serve in only one category in a single term. **C.R.S. § 22-7-106(1) (a.5)**

Members of the NSCA Board of Directors may serve on the SAC. **C.R.S. § 22 11-402(4)(b)**

SECTION 2.3 NOMINATIONS OF PARENT MEMBERS

The Principal, being a permanent member of the SAC, shall, to the extent possible, appoint persons who reflect the student populations that are significantly represented within the school.

A good faith effort shall be made to have SAC representatives that reflect the population of the school; including non-Caucasian, free or reduced lunch, limited English proficiency, migrant children, students with disabilities and student identified as gifted.

C.R.S. § 22-11-402(1)(h)

SECTION 2.4. RESIGNATION.

Any Member may, at any time, resign from the SAC by submitting a written resignation to the Committee Chair.

SECTION 2.5. VACANCIES.

In the event of a mid-term vacancy, a successor will be appointed, per Section 2.3, who shall take office immediately and serve for the balance of the unexpired term.

SECTION 2.6. REMOVAL.

Any member who misses more than three consecutive SAC meetings without an excuse acceptable to the SAC members may be given written notice of dismissal by the SAC Chair and replaced in accordance with Section 2.5 above.

ARTICLE III MEETINGS

SECTION 3.1 REGULAR MEETINGS.

Regular meeting times of NSCA SAC shall be established and distributed to Members at the first meeting of each year. All meetings shall be open to the public and should take place at least quarterly.

SECTION 3.2. SPECIAL MEETINGS.

Special Meetings of SAC may be called by, or at the request of, the Chair, or one-third of the Members. The person or persons authorized to call the special meetings shall fix the date, time and location of the meeting. All special meetings shall be open to the public.

SECTION 3.3. NOTICE.

Written notice of any regular or special meeting of SAC shall be distributed by general communication to NSCA community. The business, to be transacted, including an agenda and the purpose of any regular or special meeting shall be specified in the notice of such meeting. Notice of meeting will be published at least one week in advance of such meeting

SECTION 3.4. QUORUM.

A majority of the Members shall constitute a quorum. A quorum is required to commence the meeting

SECTION 3.5. MANNER OF ACTING.

To the fullest extent possible, decisions shall be made by consensus of the SAC members.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

SECTION 4.1 CHAIR

The officers of the SAC shall be a Chair and Co-chair and any other Officers identified by action of the SAC. Annually, the Chair or co-Chair shall be selected from among the parent representatives. **C.R.S. § 22-11-401 (2)**

4.1.1 Chair: The SAC Chair's duties shall include but are not limited to:

4.1.1.1 Presiding at all meetings

4.1.1.2 Developing an agenda and making it available to the public

4.1.1.3 Scheduling meetings

4.1.1.4 Approve and publish meeting summaries

4.1.2 Co-Chair: The SAC Co-Chair shall assist the Chair and perform the above duties (see section 4.1.1) in absence of the Chair.

SECTION 4.2. VACANCIES.

A vacancy occurring in any office shall be filled by action of the SAC.

ARTICLE V

DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE (DAC) REPRESENTATIVE

On an annual basis, the NSCA SAC shall make recommendations for NSCA DAC representatives to the Executive Director. The Executive Director shall choose NSCA DAC representatives annually and communicate those names to each NSCA SAC. The DAC representatives shall be responsible for attending DAC meetings throughout the school year. The DAC representatives shall keep all NSCA SACs apprised of all DAC activities and shall communicate matters of importance of the SAC to the DAC as is appropriate.

ARTICLE VI

AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS

The Bylaws of SAC shall be initially adopted and thereafter altered, amended or repealed by action of the SAC present at any regular meeting, or at any special meeting.

Chair Signature

Date

Principal Signature

Date