

BHS SCC Minutes

Wednesday, November 13th, 3:30pm, Media Center

BHS Mission Statement - At Brighton High, we choose to be better today than we were yesterday.

In attendance: Tom Sherwood, Lisa Devashrayee, Lisa Prudden, Marielle Rawle

Staff Members: Catherine Bates, Kellie Clark, ~~Tom Evans~~, Ethan Greene, Aaron Hadfield, Jenn Mattson, ~~Tabbie Mayne~~, Mikala Mortensen, ~~Ernest Pulliam~~, Sierra West, Amy Mena (Counselor Rep)

Parent Members: Julie Clawson, Debbie Durtschi, Laura Garcia, Mark Gardner, Mila Gleason, Michelle Kushlan, Jill Hawkins, Gerry Hassell, ~~Brady Lee~~, ~~Matt Misbach~~, Will Powley, Lisa Rowley, Cheryl Simmons, Kim Steenblik, Katie Tatton (PTSA Rep)

Guests: Mindy Curtis, Holly Judkins, Deana Gardner, Kristen Southwick

SCC BUSINESS:

- Approve Minutes from October 2019 meeting
 - Motion to approve: Katie Tatton
 - Second: Lisa Prudden
- Discuss Sub Committees
 - Community Forums/Feeder School Meeting
 - Feeder Mtg. January 29, City Hall at 11:30am
 - Lisa Rowley will make the invites
 - Land Trust and TSSP
 - To be done after a meeting in the early spring – Probably Feb meeting
 - Above & Beyond - faculty award
 - 1st Tri winners were recognized Monday, Nov 4th
 - Winners - Brian Wilding, Monta Thomas, Janice Spencer-Wise
 - Parent Teacher Conf. will come up again in January and we will do another Above and Beyond survey at that time
 - Schedule Options Committee
 - Next mtg. is Nov 20th – we will discuss survey results
 - We will be visiting schools to observe their schedules – Ridgeline – 12/4 and either Tooele or Nebo 12/18
- BHS Living Leader - Mr. Gardner report to the SCC – This will be rescheduled for January
- Digital Citizenship & School Safety – Ms. Bates
 - Come prepared with your top safety concern, so we can vote on which one to send to the CSD. Due to CSD before Winter Break. They want to know our main concern, so they know how and where we need help.
 - FYI. The Netsmartz assembly, sponsored by the Attorney General's office, will be December 11th
 - Vaping, bullying in bathrooms, entry access to school
 - We have discussed using vaping detectors. Wasatch High School has found them to be very successful. There are cameras outside of the bathrooms that are synced with the detectors so that we can identify students. It was reported that this has opened up many good conversations with students and their parents. We want to see what the legislature will pass before we invest the money in vape detectors. We

have volunteered to be the pilot school at the district. Tom suggested that when we have the new school, vape detectors will be most likely be installed.

- It was suggested that we hire a male hall monitor. Currently, our hall monitors are female, which makes it hard to observe the boys bathrooms and locker rooms where a lot of the problems happen.
- Lock down buckets for emergencies in each classroom (we have approx. 90 classrooms). We want to keep this in mind as a project for a club.
- Crossing guards – 2 would alleviate the danger – we need to contact the City Council, because it is a temporary problem. The pay is \$15 p/hour. Crossing guards are not mandated for high schools, but because of the construction it is a temporary problem that would be worth the cost. This is not something the district can make decisions on, but something worth bringing up with Cottonwood Heights. The next City Council meeting is November 19 and then they are every two weeks.
- We will have student government do a public service announcement about how to use the crosswalks safely

Motion to approve- Vaping and the bullying associated with that as our school safety concern: Mark Gardner

Second: Aaron Hadfield

Discussion: none

Vote: All agreed

COUNSELOR'S REPORT:

- Amy Mena represented the Counseling Center
- Did a Remind get created for parents?
 - We think that the parents can sign up for the same remind as their students; however, at the last meeting Mr. Winkelman told the SCC that parents should not sign up because they will take up spots for the students and Remind only offers a limited number of sign-ups for free. We will look into this.
- How many students have signed up?
 - About 2/3 of the students have signed up
- Arena Scheduling is open until Thursday. On Friday, counselors will check students schedules for mistakes or holes
- Counselors are meeting with Freshmen for CCR's and will be done by December

PTSA INPUT:

- January 16th we will hold an Anti-Vape Night with Salt Lake Co. in conjunction with Parent Teacher Conferences
- This will be held in sessions throughout the night
- The Student Board is working on sportsmanship. They gave out hot chocolate at the football game with theme, "Don't be a hothead!"

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

- LandTrust & TSSP update --- LandTrust Summary Report 2018/19 posted online
 - This is tracked monthly
- Update on Construction
 - The front entrance will be available until June
 - Over the holiday break – Significant separation between the building being demolished and the standing building. There will be a wall that separates the

- building from the construction. It will take one month to demolish the auditorium wing.
 - The district server is located in our building, so it needs to be saved during the building process
 - The contractor will be placing a fence around the construction area
 - We will work with the Alumni Association to sell bricks for the new plaza and a victory sign
 - There will be some lockers available for sale
 - There was a building tour of the new construction. There has been a lot of progress made that is hard to see unless you are in the building.
- Cell Tower Fund update
 - This was emailed out to the SCC members, nothing new to discuss
- One to One initiative – where do we stand? Survey sent to teachers, have feedback
 - We have received mixed feedback from teachers
 - Concerns about logistics, but Tom is confident that we can address these issues and find good solutions
 - The next step is to get community feedback. We would like to send out a survey in January
 - A decision should be reached by next fall
- Status of the Survey on Schedules
 - Household survey was sent out on Oct 22nd
 - Staff and Student survey was sent out Nov 4th
 - All surveys due back by Friday 5pm.
- Miscellaneous: ~~Graduation numbers~~ Should be announced prior to our January Mtg.
- Tom & Mrs. Southwick – Discussion on setting up an Endowment for BHS
 - Grassroots effort to create an endowment to benefit BHS
 - The SCC should be involved. Mrs. Southwick will send presentation to Lisa and she will forward it to SCC members
 - Sponsorships would offer scholarships, pay for teacher professional development, writing center, textbooks for math and language students, grants for teachers to develop curriculum, emotional wellness program, portable iPad carts, assemblies and parent nights
 - Brighton Education Foundation to benefit all student learning
 - The focus is deep learning and wide access. We want to do what will impact the most students at the deepest level.
 - Parents and community members can donate to the school with tax exempt status
 - Work with PTSA and SCC
 - Olympus HS has a foundation. They don't do fundraising, but ask families to donate money. They usually earn \$25,000 to \$30,000 each year. Donations levels can earn rewards such as a pass to all athletic events, dances, etc.
 - Fundraising - website, gala dinner, bricks, cards, etc.
 - Operations – meet with SCC and PTSA, teachers, community members and build a team
 - Would like to start this spring
 - How would the money be allocated? The team would meet and review applications based on criteria. Money would be allocated yearly.

FACULTY REPORT:

- It's the end of the 1st trimester and teachers are working on getting grades updated and ready to post.

- We appreciate everything our teachers are doing. They are working through construction issues, moving classrooms, and making adjustments because of the construction.

SCHOOL CLIMATE:

- Vaping in Bathrooms – update from Tom, info from Wasatch High School – see comments in the School Safety section.

OTHER:

- Guest Speaker – Holly Judkins
 - Parent concerns about scheduling
 - Holly represents some Albion parents that are concerned about the survey that went out to middle school parents. Many families have not had experience on the block schedule and didn't feel as if they had the right information to make an educated response
 - Pro trimester reasons:
 - Doubles the amount of time to make up if you are absent (86 minutes per class period compared to 66 minutes)
 - Substitute teachers are affected by the 86 minutes of instruction time. It's hard to fill that time and teachers don't typically leave lesson plans that cover that whole time period.
 - 66 minutes every day compared to 86 minutes every other day of class. You are losing instruction time.
 - We out-rank schools that are demographically the same as Brighton in all academics because of the seat time on the trimester
 - 8 classes compared to 5 classes is a lot of classes for students to manage
 - Student that graduated last year was almost a junior going in to college because of the trimester schedule and opportunities
 - Lisa thanked the guest speaker. Acknowledged that we received feedback that there wasn't enough information. Anyone can make a proposal to the SCC. A decision will be made here, not with the SubCommittee
 - Mr. Hadfield clarified that if we decide to stay with the trimester, the decision will be made here at Brighton. If we want a different schedule, the district would take over the community input/opinion procedures.

CELEBRATIONS:

- 2 BHS students with perfect 36 on the ACT. 5 total in CSD
- 2 BHS students announced as semifinalists for 2020 National Merit Scholarship Awards
 - Are we recognizing these students?
 - ACT is recognized by the district, Bengal News video with academic all-state, and perfect ACT, and Senior Awards night, plaque in the main office, on the TV's
- BHS ranked #12 in State, #6 among public schools, #2 in CSD
- Mr. Otterstrom was awarded a grant for his wood turning class
- Congratulations to Austin Kimball and the Performing Arts Department on a successful production of the school musical.

Motion to adjourn: Katie Tatton

Second: Mikalya Mortenson

NEXT MEETING: January 8th, 2020 Next meetings: Feb 12th, March 11th, April 1st, May 13th