

BHS SCC Agenda

Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 3:30pm in the Media Center

BHS Mission Statement

At Brighton High, we choose to be better today than we were yesterday.

In Attendance:

Employee Members: Tom Sherwood, Marielle Rawle, Lisa Prudden, Catherine Bates, Ethan Greene, Aaron Hadfield, Ernest Pulliam, Janice Spencer-Wise, Paul Winkelman

Parent Members: Lisa Devashrayee, Dave Castleton, Julie Clawson, Mila Gleason, Cheri Hawes, Cheryl Hersh, Rene Hunter, Kim Johnson, Michelle Kushlan, Brady Lee, Matt Misbach, Sheila Page, Will Powley, Lisa Rowley, Cheryl Simmons, Katie Tatton, Liz Thomas, Jenn Searle.

Visitors: Jonnie Knoble

SCC BUSINESS:

- Approve February Meeting Minutes
Motion to approve: Janice Spencer-Wise
Second: Julie Clawson
- Sub Committee – reports
 - Community Forums/Feeder School Meeting
 - March 6th Parent Night – Update & Thoughts
 - Student panel did a good job
 - Lisa’s feedback to presenter – if kids are invited, the presenter should be careful about inappropriate content on the slides
 - Attendance Policy – update on attendance so far this year
 - Tom mentioned that we have a lot of troubled freshmen. This is our highest maintenance group this year with skipping class and mental health issues.
 - SOAR Report
 - Chronic absenteeism (missing 20% of the school year) has been significantly reduced from previous years.
 - Our attendance is better than most schools in the district
 - We can go over this report at our next meeting
 - Jonnie Knoble (teacher) is working on communicating with parents of students who have missed a lot of school. He commented that many parents are not aware of how many days their students have missed.
 - Above & Beyond Award
 - 2nd Tri Winners: Announced at the meeting
 - Teachers - Stephanie Isley (PAWS), Cher McDonald (AP US History, WA advisor)
 - Staff – Marielle Rawle (Assistant Principal)
 - We have ordered enough Yeti tumblers to last for 2 more years
 - The survey method of procuring nominations has been more effective than anything we have done in the past.
 - Schedule Options Committee – Still working with Tom on this. Some discussions with other Principals and CSD Board members. Updates will come soon.
 - Tom is focusing on whether or not other schools in the district are open to discussing other schedule options
 - We don’t want to put in a lot of work if no other schools are interested

COUNSELOR’S REPORT:

Counselor Representative: Paul Winkelman

- This month the counseling center is addressing “senior-itis”
- Paul passed out the March newsletter which will also be included with the weekly email for the Bengal Bulletin
- Senior Merit Awards applications are due March 29
 - transcripts at mid-term are used

PTSA INPUT:

- Vaping info – Tom will put out his “display” at the next PTC. Also, we will send out info to parents. Waiting to hear if other school’s want to do something jointly.
 - Tom met with the PTSA president yesterday to discuss a parent night
 - Student panel, administrators, presenter (who will do it for free)
 - Parent Teacher Conferences – table with a CH police officer hosting and display of vaping paraphernalia

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:

- CSIP and LAND Trust
 - We cannot spend money on anything that is not associated with school improvement.
 - Review of CSIP for 2019-20 school year
 - Focus on improvement of at-risk students
 - Academic Performance – on track for graduation/how many D’s and F’s. This is a real-time statistic
 - Teachers – BLT decided the focus will be teacher clarity, content literacy, and scaffolding
 - PAWS - We will continue this program (80% of the purpose is to help students graduate on time through CVHS and credit recovery). We are number one in the district for success in the program. A lot of our success is due to Stephanie Isley and her efforts. (\$85,000 +/-)
 - Math – The math lab was not as successful as we had hoped. Due to the variety of student needs, it was hard for teachers to manage teaching to all of the student needs. We would like to focus on the low-level math students and bring on a program called Agile Minds. Representatives from the district visited a school in New Mexico that has had success with this program. We would like to buy the program and pay for licensing. It is an all year program. Students get Math 1 credit and an elective credit. There will be 3 sections taught. Students will be enrolled in all three sections and will stay with the same teacher all year. (\$35,000)
 - Discussion about parent responsibility, state funding for education, and societal issues and how the school resources can help within our parameters
 - Technology (\$40,000)
 - Latinos in Action (\$10,000),
 - Teacher Clarity Handbook (\$2,500)
 - Social Worker – Butler has offered to share the cost with us. However, we will be getting an additional \$200,000 in discretionary funds from TSSA (Our Schools Now – compromise). If we get this money, we won’t need to share the social worker. Students will access the social worker through a referral process.
 - Teachers will learn trauma informed instruction and creating appropriate methods
- Update on Construction
 - Baseball and softball fields will be available after spring break. In the meantime, we have arranged Bywater Park as a place for baseball to practice. Cottonwood Heights has agreed to fix some of the safety issues. Softball is practicing at Anzak Park. District policy is that the lawn has to be mowed 2 times before we can use it. The cement

behind the backstops will not be completed when the fields are done, but we will have scoreboards ready for this season.

- Colors on the field house were decided. Walls will be tan and the roof will be blue. They will be installing A/C. 40 x 40 actual turf. Will be finished in April of 2020.
- Parking
 - Tom will start doing some PSA's on Bengal News to raise awareness of the safety issues
 - He doesn't have any solutions to the parking situation
 - Comment about students parking on the big snow hill – this is a safety issue
 - We are ticketing students that are not parked in marked stalls and blocking throughways that would inhibit emergency vehicles
 - Comment about getting stuck in the back parking lot during night activities because people are parking along the fences and there is no room to maneuver
- Crosswalk
 - Tom is still getting emails about safety concerns and the crosswalk
 - Cottonwood Heights is looking at options to help keep the crosswalk safe (possible lights)
- CSD Travel Policy
 - \$1250 cap on travel fees
- School Fees
 - The fees will reflect the actual cost of the program (ex. Football this year = \$130, next year the fee = \$650)
 - There will be clear line item costs that are given to parents so that they can see where they money is going
 - Fundraising – We will be promoting more team fundraising. If the team does well in their efforts, it will reduce the cost of the program for everyone. Fundraising will be donated to the overall team, not individuals as it is done currently.
 - Most programs will have to cut back based on initial figures
 - Athletic fees will be published once the board approves the new fee schedule
 - Question about team apparel – we will still have customized “school stores” through outside vendors, so parents will still have the option of purchasing team apparel that won't be part of the fees or required clothing.
 - Questions about team banquet dinners fees – Adults will pay the cost of the students as well. Ex. \$25 per plate for each adult will include the costs of students.
 - Question about track meets – Brighton is not hosting any meets this year. Our track is only 6 lanes instead of 8, so the meet takes longer and construction is limiting use of the track.
 - Fee Waiver – Income will have to be verified every year through tax returns. This is not the current practice.
- Technology/Cell phone use
 - The state school board has come up with a policy, but it will not change our district policy.
 - In most other schools around the state, cell phone policy is much stricter than our school and CSD policy.
 - CSD will support any policy that the community wants to adopt. The decision will most likely be left up to the schools.
 - We need a school-wide policy
 - We should come up with a timeline for making this decision, but we need to wait for the school board to decide how they would like to proceed.
- Technology ratio at BHS is almost 1 to 1.
- TSAA funds

- As mentioned above in the social worker discussion, we will be getting an additional \$200,000 in discretionary funds from TSSA (Our Schools Now – compromise).
- Miscellaneous: Climate Survey
- Survey update
 - We are looking at a sample of a climate survey from Ohio State.
 - Tom would like to send a version of this out in the spring to get some authentic feedback from the community.
 - Lisa will send out the sample to SCC members and we would like feedback.
- Arena Scheduling issues
 - We have had some discussions about arena scheduling with administration and counselors
 - Teachers feel like arena scheduling is creating management problems in their classrooms because big groups friends sign up for classes together and/or transfer into classes with their friends
 - Counselors don't feel like changing arena scheduling will solve this problem
 - It is proposed that we reduce the number of slots available in each class, so there isn't as much ability for students to move around. Counselors will have some freedom to add students to classes for essential needs.
 - It could be possible to open arena scheduling during the last week of the previous trimester for students to change their schedules.

FACULTY REPORT:

- Lisa Prudden to discuss/update CTE
 - Reminder about Merit Cords – they do need to attach their transcript
 - Lisa P. discussed the CTE information that was presented to the school board earlier this month
 - College and Career Ready
 - District data
 - Over 18,000 credits earned
 - 1/3 in CTE credits
 - 35% of concurrent enrollment credits are from CTE courses
 - U of U does not offer/accept concurrent enrollment credit at this time
 - CTE Concentrator graduation data
 - 3 classes during the trimester, 95% graduation rate
 - 3 credits in the same area, 98% graduation rate
 - Perkins Data - Pathway Concentrators
 - ELA - up 20%
 - Math – 63% pass rate
 - Graduation Rates – 94.74% of concentrators graduated
 - Questions – how many students are graduating and going to work vs. college? Our data is skewed because of so many students serving LDS missions, but overall the majority of our students are going on to college after high school
 - We have a number of CTE competitions coming up this month
 - Job shadowing and health care intern programs are proving very successful
 - Keys to Success scholarships are on the scholarship page. If you have a senior that has a key card, encourage them to look at these scholarships.

SCHOOL CLIMATE:

- School Safety Drill report

- Tom brought a copy of School Safety Drill reports that are sent to the district offices. Each member attending the meeting initialed the forms.
- We have completed: 2 Fire drills, and a Shelter in Place drill so far this year
- We have submitted a school safety plan to the district

OTHER:

- Play reviews – please get them back to Lisa ASAP

CELEBRATIONS:

- Thanks to the Counseling Center for their hard work during schedule change day.
- MUN won a 1st place for Research and Preparation
- 8 academic all-states for winter sports
- Julie Schwartz won a congressional scholarship for her artwork which was presented at a legislative session
- 2 students in contention for the state sterling scholar. Caroline Jarmin and Anna Slagle.
- Jazz Band qualified for State

Motion to adjourn: Aaron Hadfield

Second: Lisa Prudden

NEXT MEETING: April 10th – Future meetings: May 8th