

BHS SCC Minutes

Wednesday, April 10th 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 Lisa Devashrayee, Lisa Prudden, Catherine Bates, Tom Sherwood, Janice Spencer-Wise, Will Powley, Matt Misbach, Mikala Mortensen, Kattie Tatton, Troi Hoster (PTSA), Ernest Pulliam, Liz Thomas, Debra Kyriopoulos (Counselor) Mila Gleason, Michelle Kushlan, Cheryl Simmons, Ethan Greene, Mindy Curtis, Aaron Hadfield, Rene Hunter, Cheri Hawes, Sheila Page, Julie Clawson, Lisa Rowley.

SCC BUSINESS:

- Approve March Meeting Minutes: Ernest Pulliam motioned to approve Janice Spencer-Wise seconded.
 - Sub Committee – reports
- Community Forums/Feeder School Meeting Nothing to report
- Attendance Policy Nothing to report
- Above & Beyond Award
- PTC's April 18th - Will send out survey again. Then group will pick winners for 3rd tri.
-Mr. Sherwood will send an e-mail in the Bengal Bulletin and then again after. A decision was made to buy two years' worth of YETI's to give for the awards. If anyone has connections to symphony or plays to donate tickets, it would be appreciated.
- Schedule Options Committee – Those on the large BHS sub committee – Meeting set for April 22nd to discuss progress. It will be at 3pm in room 217. Lisa sent email invite to those that signed up to be on this committee.

** Reschedule of May Meeting : Only 4 said the 15th wouldn't work, and more said that the 8th wasn't going to work. The majority wants the 15th so a motion to change May meeting by Lisa Prudden, Liz Thomas seconded. Lisa D. will make sure it is changed on the SCC web page and Tom will make sure it is changed on the school calendar.

PTSA INPUT:

- Anti-Vaping E-cig awareness evening on April 25th @ 6:30 - Brighton Auditorium. All invited. Pass don't Puff-- for all students and parents and all the parents of the feeder schools, the main speaker is Nate Cochamillio has owned two vape shops and knows how the youth are getting supplies and what they are doing with them. Speaker will meet with Mr. Sherwood to tailor his presentation to be specifically for our students. Parent concern if he will cover "healthy" vaping-- like essential oils and vitamin vapor--parent suggestion to advertise that the speaker used to own a shop, request to video it. Advertisement will include the peach jar flyer being sent to Albion and Butler.

Ms Spencer-Wise: Link Crew Proposal. Action Proposed

Link Crew is a freshman transition program and leadership training. The program provides freshman a mentor. Research indicates successful freshman are successful the rest of high school, Link Crew will be in charge of orientation and contact students before school starts so they can have a positive association with the school. Ms. Spencer-Wise is asking for 15\$ for each incoming freshman for food and training.

- Parent concern--In the past all the SBOs went to houses and gave pamphlets will the SBOs still be doing that or will it be in conjunction. --unsure
-Link leaders will send an invitation and a phone call for orientation
-parent concern about money--not enough? Worried about the continuity of the program throughout the whole year.
-This is the first year doing it so they are doing what was recommended by the program.
-Parent concern--What is the commitment for the link crew mentor? 2 hour training 12 hour training orientation 4 hours, monthly meeting for just the leaders, hopefully only once a month.
-Is the mentoring a one to one? -it is supposed to be one to four
-What is an example of what they would do? It would be a case by case basis, ask how they are doing or if they are struggling give them suggestions, make contact once a month. The leaders

will take all their kids to the first stomp. Teachers will recommend students who will be the leaders.

-Do you pair students based on their interests? Spencer-Wise wants there to be diversity in the group but wants the leaders to be able to connect to all kinds of people.

-They want to be able to answer the following questions: where to go, what is expected, know that they belong

-Are the SBOs a part of this? If they want to be

-They have it at several other high schools

-Mixed gender? yes

-Parent concern about a senior boy and a freshman girl--two mentors eight kids in each group to keep things safe.

-Options to pull money from --Cell Tower or Land Trust?

-Mr. Sherwood also said we could use the TSSA funds as well.

-Parent pointed out that this will help all freshmen instead of just a specific part of our population

-Mr. Sherwood motions \$10,000 for Link Crew 2019-2020 the funding source to be determined.

-He would rather use TSSA as a first option with the land trust being the second option and the Cell Tower funds as the third.

Aarron Hadfield seconded.

COUNSELOR'S REPORT: Newsletter

-Caps and gowns will be distributed on May 8th in order to get their caps and gowns students must fulfill the following requirements: with No NGs, Passing all classes, High - School Exit Survey, Civics Test, Fines cleared.

-List of those being held will be given to Josten's on May 3rd.

-We will put the requirements in the Bengal Bulletin.

-If you don't pick it up on the day it stays with the counselor, as soon as they fix it they can get their cap and gown. If they change their mind last minute about walking Josten's is really good about it. Talk to Mr. Sherwood if kids can't afford it.

-Canyons Education Scholarship: we only had one applicant? Can we do more advertising? Bengal bulletin?

-Regents scholarship? Do we have to request their transcripts by a certain day? Regents information is included in the documents. The best way to find information is to go to the website.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

- CSIP and LAND Trust – Review BUDGET - Was it spent the way it was supposed to? Land Trust Expenditures, it is audited, Mr. Sherwood needs to spend enough of it so we don't get in trouble. There can't be more than 10% left in the account but he doesn't know how much is in the account until the last trimester of school. The surplus money will be spent on technology as previously decided. The district requires that we talk about it.
- Update on Construction: baseball and softball fields are 90% completed, the weather is the issue. Only one of two dugouts were ordered. It should be finished next week.
Issues: Threw away the old bleachers and didn't tell Mr. Sherwood so they are trying to rent some and it will be 2-4 weeks before they get here.
- Is the area between the softball and baseball dirt? Will it be concrete? It will be hard rolled gravel, Tom says no mud!
- Lights for the field?
We have four light poles that we won't use, maybe we can use those. Trying to get the district to buy some, or provide installation.
- They will have porta-potties available and it will be better when it is done, scoreboard is going up next week.
- The horseshoe (700 hall) comes down when we leave for winter break next year.
- We are on track for completion date, a year from fall of 2021 all done. Front parking lot done by winter break 2021.
- Crosswalk discussion (middle/ front of school that the teachers use)--it is a city problem and the city won't do anything about it. The whole intersection is being remodeled and no one has been hurt, so it is not fiscally responsible to change it, according to Cottonwood Heights. It is most hazardous for teachers because they come in the dark.

- Cell Tower Fund Update – emailed out to members. All on track.
- CSD – Discuss the Proposed Draft of the Fee Schedule

CSD wants parent feedback, none of the left side is changing book rental will go away in 2 years, Utah state constitution says high schools can charge fees. Any fee charged is fully disclosed and none are optional. Mr. Sherwood and one other principal went through it all, CTE fees can range from 20-90 those fees are in the catalog the numbers represent the courses they take. Lab classes will go up significantly per semester all the amounts listed are the MAXIMUMS. The maximum aggregate for each student is \$4,000 per year, the district will pay for every kid after \$4,000 has been paid for by parents, as long as it is a required item.

The numbers for the sports teams are caps, they can't charge more than what is on the paper. Fundraising--if everyone on the team wants the nice new stuff. For fundraising - they sell things collectively and then split it evenly, is all fundraising group fundraising? Yes with a few exceptions. These numbers have not been to the board for a vote, they looking for feedback first.

-What is the difference between summer drill and summer baseball? Summer baseball is not run through school, drill is.

-District wants to get it as low as they can and they want to know if it is reasonable enough. The cap is for the district but also the public so that extracurricular activities are accessible to people who may be lower income, but not qualify for "help".

-What does the activity fee pay for? it is for extra activities you need to run a high school like a dance, there is some that is dispersed by the district

-When will parents see it?

As soon as it goes to the board.

-This is state wide, there is no optional anything, every school in the state will get pressure from their district. Club sports don't count for this.

-If a student is deciding what school to go to for a sport will it vary among schools?

Yes, but only up to the cap.

-Lacrosse and Basketball seem low.

-Do they take in to consideration the new 450 mile radius for travel? the travel cap is so you don't have to go to the board and ask for an exception, only every other year

-School store (Bengal gear) is not included in any of the fees.

-If they fund-raise for travel is it 1250 out of pocket?

No, it is 1250 period.

-In the future parents will just see the cost not the caps.

-Baseball is 1400 for a varsity player, which is typical

-Lisa suggests each of the coaches to sign off on it, the purpose of this discussion is to put it out there, copy the paper and give it to people and see if the program would work with these limitations.

-In the past good players have always been taken care of and mediocre kids fell through the cracks.

-Can the parents do stuff independently outside the system?

-They can for themselves and their kids but they can't do it as a team and go behind the schools back and make EVERYONE do it except the kid who can't afford it.

-Parents can donate for the team as long as it is for everyone.

-Is the district able to form partnership with corporation to get a discount, Mr. Sherwood says they ultimately don't have a our best interest in mind.

-With lockers it is five dollars is it going away?

Yes, it is going away, next year any kid who wants one can pay five dollars and they can have one but it won't be mandatory. The admin will see how many are rented and that will determine how many will be put in the new school can do it by trimester. any money collected from kids gets spent on kids not on adults.

- Miscellaneous: Climate Survey update, Mr. Sherwood will proceed with the version he wants to use, unless the SCC says otherwise.

FACULTY REPORT:

Blood drive on Friday, check skyward and get kids to class

SCHOOL CLIMATE:

OTHER:

- Merit Cords Discussion: there was an email sent to the SCC by a couple of our community members regarding the merit cord point discrepancy. Tom discussed that different schools do them different ways. There are different points for different activities, points per year, per tri, and one time points. For example, sterling scholar is only 10 pts. - Ms. Kyriopoulos said there is a committee but it is the awards committee, so suggestions come at the end of the year and things get changed for the next. Mr. Sherwood reminded parents that this is not top down it is done by the teachers and departments. Parent concerned that it shows what we value. It is not a set standard it is a department standard. If you have input print it off scan it and send it to Lisa Devashrayee if you want to be anonymous or send it to Christina Shaw in the counseling center.
- 2017 Graduation data sent, there is one page about how Brighton graduates are doing in college.
- There is a “fairy” at the canyons foundation who goes through and fulfills donors choose requests from the district so encourage teachers to apply.
- Teacher turnover is a becoming a significant issue, districts are poaching, there are no longer any retirement benefits to stay in a district. Districts that are putting teachers first are getting the good teachers.
- Classes offered over the summer? How do they compare to make up packets? Any class taken on CVHS starting in July is free. There are two types of credit, original credit or credit recovery. Credit recovery is easier and is given to a kid who failed a class – these are packets.
- Motion to adjourn Catherine Bates seconded by Lisa Prudden.

NEXT MEETING: May 15th