

BHS SCC Minutes

Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at 3:30pm, Twin Peaks Conference Room

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

In attendance:

Tom Sherwood, Katie Tatton (SCC Chair), Cheri Hawes (SCC Vice-Chair), Marielle Rawle (Secretary)

Staff Members: *Catherine Bates, ~~Lindsay Christensen~~, Kellie Clark, Pace Gardner, Aaron Hadfield, Milo Maughan, Emily Nance, Ernest Pulliam, Lisa Prudden, Paul Winkelman*

Parent Members: *Marci Cardon, Julie Clawson, Richard Clayton, Katie Dahle, Lisa Devashrayee, Cindy England, Mila Gleason, Cheri Hawes, Matt Misbach, ~~Stefanie Ripplinger~~, Cherie Sadowski, Michelle Schmidt, Cheryl Simmons, Kim Steenblik, ~~LeRoy Vea~~, Stacie Skelton (alternate #1), Denise White (alternate #2) and ~~Hy Murdock~~ (PTSA Rep)*

Guests:

SCC BUSINESS:

Approve Minutes from September 2021 meeting

- *Motion to approve minutes:* Ernest Pulliam
- *Second:* Milo Maughn

USBE SCC Training tonight and Oct 25. If you would like to attend, please contact elisse.newey@schools.utah.gov and request the Zoom link.

Discuss Sub-Committees

- Community Forums
 - Last month we discussed holding a parent meeting/community forum to teach parents about Flex
 - Is there anything else we want discussed at the community forum
 - Do we need the committee to discuss this?
 - Are there plans for another open house to tour the building? We will hold another open house for the community to come see the finished building. Possibly in January or early spring. It was suggested that we incorporate a food drive.
- Feeder School Meeting
 - We need to determine a date for this - tentative end of January
- LandTrust and TSSP
 - These meetings will start in January or February. Anyone who would like to stay for this meeting can do so after the regular SCC meeting.
- Above & Beyond
 - We need members to help on this committee
 - Comment that it seems like the same teachers get the award.
 - Every trimester there are different teachers that receive this award. We keep track of who has received it and we have also added staff

members

- We usually do this in conjunction with PT Conferences, but didn't do that this trimester, so we will send it out tomorrow.
- Dress Code
 - Jordan District has gone through a process to pass a new dress code. It got away from language that was gender based. It had a picture of a box and everything within the box must be covered. It defines what a shirt is. Quite simple. Tom will send out Jordan District's new dress policy so that SCC can see what they are doing. Please respond to this email with your opinions.
 - Enforcing the dress code. We need a reasonable and agreed upon dress code and then advertise it well. Tom thinks that most families will comply and dress code will not be as much of an issue.
 - All 5 high schools need to come to an agreement on enforcement
 - MTSS (multi-tiered system of support) - tiered system of enforcement (call home, giving student something appropriate to wear, etc.)
 - We will need consistency at the teacher level to enforce a new dress code
 - Included: Drugs, vulgar language, dress (reasonable box)
 - Question - Do we have Citizenship policy that could be used to enforce dress code? No we don't have one anymore. We used to have one and it was based on attendance and tied to graduation.
 - Discussion about keeping as many students as possible in school so that they can graduate. We don't want dress code to hinder school attendance and participation in school.
- Vandalism
 - We haven't been able to catch any of the students who have been vandalizing the bathrooms.
 - We have all of the mirrors that were taken down, but we can't put them back up until we get the mounts, which were broken by the vandals.
- Flex
 - How do students make up Flex attendance?
 1. Any excused absence doesn't count against the student
 2. For every week a student has perfect attendance in Flex, we will work with their attendance to excuse some absences
 3. If a student has an F, we will work with them to figure out a way to make up the attendance and raise their grade to a Pass.
 - The reason we have instituted an F grade is to encourage students to go to Flex
 - If there is a substitute, they take roll on paper and attendance is fixed by the next day
 - Flex is a benefit to the students that take advantage of it
 - It will take time to get to a point where we have fewer students leaving, but we will continue to work on it
 - Can we reward the students who are doing what they are supposed to be doing? Good attendance, behavior, etc. We can discuss this.

- Safe Technology & Digital Literacy Plan
 - The district designated this week as Digital Citizenship Week
 - We have 5 mini-lessons that are supposed to be taught during Flex
 - The subjects are: screen time, digital footprint, boundaries, cell phone etiquette, impact of online hate speech
 - Teacher feedback was that lessons are short and are engaging topics
 - Discussion about chromebook security – Comment that every time you log in, the chromebook is supposed to be filtered by the district. No matter what WIFI they are on, the chromebook should connect through UEN.
 - Download features should be blocked on school-issued chromebooks
 - If this isn't working, parents need to bring it to our attention and we can come up with solutions. For example, we can take chromebook away and issue it for daily use, etc.
 - No social media is allowed on student school computers
 - Teachers were trained on Lanschool. This is a program that monitors the chromebooks so that teachers can view what is on the students' screens.
 - Teachers need to ask students to use school-issued chromebooks instead of their own devices. We need all teachers on board with this so we can implement this rule.
- Lunch
 - Because of the free lunch, we have more students eating lunch at school than ever before
 - We may need to go back to 2 lunches while we are offering free lunches due to the crowded cafeteria situation
 - We will put more tables in the tiled areas to accommodate more student seating at lunch
 - Students can still eat in classrooms if teachers supervise them
- School Safety Plan
 - Crosswalk and parking lot
 - Monitor student safety in new parking areas
 - **Students throwing food off the balconies**
 - **Logistics of the new building**
 - **Safety in bathrooms**
 - vaping
 - ADA access
 - There is snowmelt built into the sidewalks
 - Ramps are supposed to be completed by 2nd trimester
 - Crosswalk monitor during lunch
 - We needed extra hall monitors to help with supervising bathrooms and crosswalk
 - One of our hall monitors quit, so we need to hire a new hall monitor whose main job description is to help with crosswalk
 - Arts building doors will be locked once the main doors are functional. We will look at what paths students take and where we need to adjust doors during the day.

- Discussion - Why weren't parents informed about the incident with the student and the officer?
 - The news didn't report the story accurately. They were asked to update the story to accurately reflect what happened.
 - Tom assumed that the district Communications Department was sending out information to the community and they didn't do that, so he addressed it later that day. The email that Tom sent was what the Communications Department recommended.
 - Comment that if the news is here, we need to communicate with the community

COUNSELOR'S REPORT:

- Counselors are in the process of completing senior CCR's and will start 9th grade next week
- This week Counselors have been going into the 9th grade classrooms
- Next Wednesday is FAFSA night. We have a visitor coming to walk the students through that process.
- Next week isUCAW (Utah College Application Week). We will have colleges visiting and seniors can apply to college.

PTSA INPUT:

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

- TSSP and Land Trust
 - After School Math Help
 - We have more money left than we anticipated. We'd like to use it for technology.
 - Can we provide compensation to club advisors? Non-curricular club advisors do not get a stipend. They are not supposed to interact with the students only be present as an adult. Students are supposed to lead the club.
 - Intramurals - We have money set aside for this, but we are waiting for the space.
 - Paper recycling - We would need to take the paper to the recycling plant. There is a minimum requirement of recycling in order to keep the bin on our campus. The problem is that some cities just take the recycling bins to the dump instead of recycling. If we can work this out, we can do recycling.
- Update on Construction
 - Parking lot will be open sometime during the week of November 8th
 - Interior - flooring and wood fixtures need to be completed
- Cell Tower Fund update
 - Nothing to report at this time
- COVID update
 - We had a spike a month ago. Yesterday we only had 11. Today we are under 5.

- AP Scores
 - Tom will email the scores to SCC
- Positive Behavior Plan
 - School Culture Committee worked on revamping plans this summer
 - ROAR - respect, overcome, achieve, reach-out
- Miscellaneous: Senior surveys
 - We can discuss this at next month's meeting
 - Our results were typical of what we've had in past years, but there are some decreases we should discuss.

FACULTY REPORT:

- Attendance is tied to academic achievement. Look at skyward and encourage your students to go to class on time and attend their classes.

SCHOOL CLIMATE:

- Crosswalk monitor for safety/traffic flow
- Parking fines (\$50 if parked in red zone or out of a parking stall)
 - Students have had warnings and know where they can and can't park.
 - We had to raise the price to deter the students from parking in the road and along the red curbs.
 - The way students have been parking creates a safety issue.
 - The biggest factor we have is that seniors feel like it's their birth right to park on campus. They think that because they are seniors they deserve to park where they want. Some parents have expressed the same sentiment.

OTHER:

CELEBRATIONS:

- Congratulations to Tom on being awarded Canyons Apex Awards School Administrator of the Year!
- Dance and Theater competed at the Shakespeare competition at SUU and placed for the first time ever.

Motion to adjourn the meeting: Julie Clawson

Second: Cheri Hawes

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Nov. 11th, Jan. 12th, Feb. 9th, Mar. 9th, April 13th