

Boulder High School – PAC Meeting Minutes – March 10, 2010

Attendees:

Leanne Lockhart, Loretta Melhado, Lisa Green, Katherine Morss, Joan Fishburn, JoAnn Beserra, Shelly Bellford, Lauren Hager, Kevin Braney, Melinda Gillespie

Approval of Feb. Minutes

Loretta: (Treasurer)

Front hall renovation is splendidly within budget! Shelly is doing a great job!!

\$5-6000 is being carried over to next year.

Melinda added that we need to educate parents before registration about how their PAC dollars are used- that 100% of their donations stay in the school to help students and teachers-

Kevin will be asking PAC to help cover costs in various areas due to budget cuts, so we still need lots of dough!

JoAnn mentioned we should have a PayPal donate button on the PAC website.

Lisa: (Chairs Report)

* CSAP snack discussion: (whether to continue them or not)

Helps support kids and add community feel for our school.

Kevin thinks we should continue it next year. If PAC cannot find a CSAP coordinator, he can still deal with it.

Teachers should just come pick up the snacks instead of having a person distribute- huge job.

Enews will thank parents for donations. Amazing amount came in. Leftovers in Kevin's desk drawers... Ha-

* 2010-2011 Volunteers:

Lisa needs to know who is on board for next year.

Please contact her!!

Committee Reports:

Shelly (Front Hall Renovation):

Basically, the renovation includes the floor, walls, ceiling and lighting. The floor is being scraped and repolished, cracks are being fixed, walls are being painted and the lights are being replaced. Woo-hoo! The district is actually pitching in \$\$ for the flooring because of the cracks ("structural damage").

Parent volunteers are needed to help paint. This is all happening Spring Break. There will be a supervisor to tell people what to do. Various suggestions were made with who people know that are qualified to help. Shelly will send an Enews submission giving details for parents to volunteer.

Lauren:

Staff Appreciation Luncheon: Went wonderfully. Boulder Soupworks actually sent a few people in fancy aprons and everything to serve, keep the soup warm, etc.. Staff came to front office work room and were treated to a lovely lunch, all for \$121! Great job Lauren!

Last Staff Appreciation function will be on May 5th for a faculty Happy Hour/Heavy Appetizers. Lauren needs ideas for location. BMOCA was suggested- good location. Boulderado? She'll check it out. She has about \$800 to work with.

Academic Letter Night:

Great function- what makes BHS special! Huge attendance. Great speakers. Rah-rah!! Lauren did a great job as usual getting cookie donations and all other behind the scene action. Need a new person to head this up next year (along with all staff appreciation functions) boooo- we're losing Lauren for her to further her own education...

Melinda: (GT)

We all had a big laugh when Melinda tried to give a report for a meeting that didn't happen! Cheers to you Melinda!

She has spoken with a few people who are interested in being on GT- so some assistance for her is on the way.

JoAnn: (Registration)

Registration: August 9th and 10th.

Cannot use credit card in person at registration. Only during preregistration on-line. Most procedures are the same from last year. No packets will be mailed out. All forms on-line.

Kevin mentioned he is still going to purchase planners but only for students, not faculty. They will be downsized to just a daily planner. Will ask for a \$5 donation from students. Cost: \$7500 for 1900 planners.

No MAD (Make a Difference) report-

Update is reported in Enews- Thanks Dolly.

Katherine: (DPC)

Jan. meeting:

Discussion about how State Standards are too broad for districts to cover them all. BVSD does a good job following them.

Scary presentation by the Curriculum Coordinator about students of the future going to school 2X/week with more on-line education.

Feb. meeting:

All about TAG and how BVSD is successfully addressing this area. Based on personal experience, Katherine did not quite agree. TAG is especially lacking in the middle schools. According to district policy, each TAG student is given an ALP (something Learning Plan – advanced? alternative?) but Katherine has not seen this happen... 13% of BVSD students have been labeled “TAG”- about 3700.

Gwen: not present- sent in her report: (website)

659 people looked at Highlights in the past month.

Lydia Flores will be taking over the electronic distribution of Highlights. Gwen will help her with this transition.

JoAnne: not present- sent in her report: (Senior Class Rep.)

Diane McCarthy (as senior BBQ chair) has several volunteer positions filled and has ordered food/requested donations. Anyone wanting to help- can contact Diane at momof4mgirls@aol.com

We sent out a timeline letter to all senior parents a couple months ago- have had a positive response to that information which was followed up by a letter from administration (Laurie Goodman) last week with more information on the academic dates and deadlines.

Still do not have the "senior link" up on the BHS website, but are following up with M. Serrano about that.

Kevin: (Principal's Report)

Doyle from Counseling could not attend meeting so here's his report:

First letters to seniors about grades have been sent home. Counselors are working hard to communicate with families to graduate the seniors!

Junior meetings start after Spring Break. Students sign up for these.

Counselors are visiting sophomore classes after Spring Break to introduce them to Naviance and other things for their future planning.

Volunteer Tea: March 16th. 3-4PM. Library. Be there.

Budget Presentations: March 11th and 17th. 6:30-8:00PM. Be there.

Would love your feedback about what's important to you and the school.

Conference on World Affairs:

Read off the presentations. Will be in Enews.

Block schedule

Handed out a list of "rigor" definitions that faculty will be attempting to gel into 1 definition. See Kevin if you would like a copy.

Regular and Advanced Biology are going to be offered to freshmen in addition to Physical Science.

Budget Cuts:

Science Research Seminar (mostly a senior class where students do research up at CU) will still be offered but teacher is going to be paid through a stipend.

1 less clerical staff due to retirement and will not be replaced.

Extracurricular activities are being cut from 45 to 34.

Special Ed. and ESL paras.

Going to need volunteers to help in front office, library and campus monitors.

Lawn maintenance: Thinking of purchasing a lawn mower to make sure front lawn remains maintained. Just think of all those teenager could cut the grass!

No ASH class.

No general supplies.

Less field trips.

Latin and German will remain! Strong interest continues.

Next year's calendar being all planned out now to decrease scheduling conflicts.

100 freshmen open enrolled. Last year: about 60.

The End!