

# **BRIGHTON HIGH**

# SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

March 19, 2025 at 3:30 PM WBL ROOM

**BHS Mission Statement** - Brighton High School's mission is to foster success for all students by providing opportunities to learn at high levels through an inclusive and supportive educational environment.

### **SCC MEMBERS**

X Marissa Merket (secretary)
X Emily Nance
X_Ernest Pulliam
X_Jackie Ricks
X_Stefanie Ripplinger
X_Janice Spencer-Wise
X_Josh Wallace
X Paul Winkelman (counselor)
Marianne Sheranian

#### Visitors:

#### Welcome

## **Approve March Agenda, February Minutes**

Ernest Pulliam motioned to approve the February minutes and March agenda.

Janice Spencer-Wise seconded the motion to approve.

# **SCC Business:**

- Welcome new members Rebecca Le and Spencer Hill
  - Filling the open positions for Katie Dahle and Lawrence Cowan
    - Marci Cardon motioned to approve the new members
    - Aaron Hadfield seconded the motion
- Subcommittees
  - Feeder Lunch Report
    - The lunch went well with most elementary and middle schools represented.
      Brighton's Culinary Arts students did a great job representing a program within our school.
    - The questions that were brought up were tied to the trimester schedule and The Innovation Center. The message that the superintendent said is that they are looking for a schedule that will work best for all schools involved.
    - Marielle also heard questions tied to the number of credits required for graduation.
      Could we have a requirement for a full schedule at Brighton? Could we simply require one additional class to meet with the requirements that the other high schools in our district meet each year?
    - Could the change in taking full class schedules each year come from Covid-19?
      This graduating group is the first grade that has been in high school without an attendance policy. Next year, Brighton will have an attendance policy.
      - We will be working with our school management system, Skyward, to create an automatic attendance/citizenship mark for future years.
  - Above and Beyond Report Michelle
    - We had 68 nominations this year. Joshua Wallace, Mike Buckley, and others were

#### nominated and awarded.

## **Principal Report:**

- Trimester 2 Data Report Jackie Ricks
  - o 75% of our students are earning As and Bs
  - o Simply being present with one or fewer absences often leads to a 3.75 GPA
  - Students tend to fail one class if they miss 13 days of a class. Students tend to fail all of their classes when they miss 23-26 days of the term.
  - We had a significant increase of 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students earning a 4.0 GPA.
  - A trend that has been present is the success students see when they have missed 2-3 days, compared to missing 1 day. Students will get caught up when they miss 2-3 days, but fail to catch up when they miss 1 day.
  - Jackie is encouraging staff to mark missing assignments to help students quickly understand what is missing.
  - 65% of Brighton's total student population is meeting the chronically absent status. This is a large increase compared to past years.
- Review current year's LAND Trust/TSSP goals
  - Amendments or changes in purchasing need to be submitted by the end of March. All purchasing for this fiscal year needs to take place by that date as well.
- Review final draft of next year's LAND trust and TSSP plans
  - Data from the current school year shows that 22.4% of our students are in the at risk or off-track category due to their academic performance and 65.75% are at risk, severely at risk, or off-track due to attendance concerns. Goal: to reduce the number of students identified as "at-risk" or "off-track" on our Early Warning System (EWS) by 3% in the areas of graduation rate, attendance, grades and academic achievement. This will support the emotional and behavioral wellbeing of all students.
    - Academic At-Risk 1 or more D in classes
    - Academic Off-Track 1 or more F in classes
    - Brighton High School Will increase graduation rate by 1%, increase attendance by 2%, and 80% of students tested will meet their individual growth goal in Reading and Math based on MAP testing data.
    - \$351,000 Land Trust funds will be applied to this goal.
    - \$178,000 TSSP funds will be applied to this goal.
  - The Brighton SCC regularly discusses how we are using TSSA and Land Trust funds to positively impact students at Brighton. In planning for 2024-2025 school year, we have tried as a council to apply the funds in ways that are targeting our greatest need. We have had discussions this year regarding how we are currently using resources as well as how to best use them moving forward. The School Community Council was an integral part of the 2025-2026 school year.
    - \$178,500 TSSP funds will be applied to this goal.
  - Brighton High will take baseline data at the end of the 2024-25 school year regarding our suicide referrals, self-harm reports, 504 requests, and stakeholder survey data was well as other data available from our SST team meetings. We will use this data to measure our ability to serve additional students with social emotional needs and reduce our at-risk referrals and 504 requests. We will also increase the number of students who report they feel connected to an adult at the school, feel safe at school, and are socially/emotionally supported by 3% as measured by district or school climate surveys.
    - \$92,000 TSSP funds will be applied to this goal.
  - Brighton High will continue to provide increased surveillance of our problem areas, particularly our restrooms to reduce the number of students vamping and vandalizing restrooms by 2% as measured by Dashboard ODRs.
  - Signature page due April 9th

## Celebrations

- Culinary Arts team went to a State competition and took 3<sup>rd</sup> place as a school.
- Our Debate team took 2<sup>nd</sup> place at State and 3<sup>rd</sup> place at State.
- Kristen Reuter is the Utah finalist for a nation-wide excellence in Science and Mathematics education.

- Model United Nations students represented Costa Rica in New York and took 1<sup>st</sup> place for preparation and research. Two students in a specialized committee took 1<sup>st</sup> place in specialized committee while they represented Somalia. Students heard from President Biden. NBC is doing a post-presidency feature on President Biden. A Brighton teacher and student will be interviewed.
- Theater took 27 teams to a competition and all teams qualified for State.
- Our coaching staff is communicating with parents about spending during each extracurricular season. This is a big improvement from last year.

# **Faculty Report**

Thank you for listening to teachers' perspectives and for sharing your parent perspective.

## **Counseling Center Report**

- Counselors are currently meeting with sophomores for individual College and Career Readiness Meetings.
- Merit Cord applications for seniors will be open from March 1<sup>st</sup> 31<sup>st</sup>.
- o ACT for Juniors was held on Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>.
- o Parent Teacher Conferences will be held April 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Students will face a cut-off for online classes by May 15<sup>th</sup>. Transcripts must be sent to our Registrar by that date.

## **PTSA Report**

- We have some great events planned for Staff Appreciation.
- The Bengal Bash will be the "party to be at"
- PTSA will provide an additional meal for staff at Parent Teacher Conferences
- We still need a president-elect for the 2025-2026 school year. With that said, we have more people signing up to volunteer at Brighton.

Janice Spencer-wise motioned to end Tyson Grover seconded the motion

Next Meeting: April 16 @ 3:30pm due to spring break