

BPT Minutes

5/7/18

Taken by Sean McCabe

In attendance: Rick Mueller, Antony Guzzetta, Christina Falbo, Sean McCabe, Steve Lysenko, Mary Jean McQuilkin, Kristen Cocchiara, Amanda Van Huben, Shelly Falbo (parent rep), Zahra Ghazie (student rep)

Others and add to agenda:

Cleanliness of rooms: Please send specific concerns to Sean, and he will talk to Gerry about concerns and have them addressed immediately.

Call in Bells/tones:

Sean will look into if we can change them for the call down....Kristin shared that some staff have said that this can be almost a "shock" when they go off in a classroom for a call down by Ann Marie.

Staff Update:

Annette Guerra-Coe who has worked in the East Cafeteria for the past few months has been diagnosed with breast cancer unfortunately.....BPT talked about doing another Pink Day (make sure it does not conflict with Jeans for Troops)....Wednesday the 16th wear pink and jeans and donations can be left in Sean's office with a card to sign....Falbo will send out an email to staff.

BPT elections:

Joe DiTucci and Rick Mueller up for reelection....Falbo sent out email asking for other people that are interested in running to email her by Thursday 5/10 by the end of the day...elections take place on 5/15 and 5/16... ballot box in Sean's Office.

Red Wings Game:

May 25th....now a double header....first game 5:05....FYI 7 inning games when they are double headers....Rick need to know soon who is interested and will send a reminder email out to staff.

Summer BPT Day:

Needs to be held after August 1st...hard to find a date that works for everyone....looked at 8/2, 8/6, 8/7....will look at this again in June and pick final date then and do our best to make it work for everyone.

Dates for Parent/Teacher conferences: The majority of departments preferred dates to be split between 1st and 2nd semester....work to advertise more with parents for 2nd semester....question was raised by one department about eliminating them all together because of contact via email/Schoology/IC...a number of BPT members shared they find the time useful to either meet with parents or to call/email parents if they do not have appointments set up....in addition Parent/Teacher conferences are part of the STA contract...

Proposed Dates: Monday, November 19, 3-6 and Thursday, March 7, 4-7

Creation of Advisement Committee:

Montois-Tech
Morgan-Counseling
Resch-World Languages
Marra-Social Studies
D'Orazio- ELA
Laistner-Math
Hermann-Special Ed
McCabe-BPT
DiNatale-BPT
Lysenko-BPT

If anyone else is interested in joining this committee, please let a BPT member know....

Sean will send out possible dates to committee members...we are looking at meeting once before the end of the school year, and then the majority of the work taking place during first semester of 18-19

Other Concerns that were brought up from meeting with departments:

Students in the hallway during class time: how do we reduce the number of students in the hallways...Administration and security will continue to do their best to patrol hallways....In addition, Sean asked that teachers do not let students out of their classrooms before the bell sounds. At the end of the day, there are often a large number of students in the hallway outside of their classrooms before the bell sounds.

Teacher Pictures: people like the idea, but some teachers that are in multiple rooms don't want pictures on multiple doors...

Locking doors that have to be locked by opening the door. Rick Mueller brought this up from Social Studies. Any door that has this has been identified and Facilities has a plan to replace Unisex bathrooms: look into...concerns over students being in there too long/vaping....there is an emergency key in the Main Office if we ever need to open the bathroom...

Try to be aware of the days that special events fall on....so please don't have every adjusted schedule on an A day...Sean said he would work next year on trying to double check this....

Access to school in the morning and the evening...one department asked about being able to get into the building prior to 6:15. Sean shared this cannot happen. DO wants custodians to be here first to open building and turn off alarm. This does not happen until 6 AM. Sean will check on when ID cards are turned off to enter the building at night and report back to BPT.

Finalize Staff Survey:

Reviewed survey together as a group....will be sent out the week of 5/21.

New Course Proposal:

PE is looking at possibly offering an elective for the 19-20 school year. This will be brought to BPT early in the 2018 school year