

Bingham High School School Community Council Agenda

Date: Thursday, January 30, 2020

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Media Center

1. Welcome- Chair, Becky Swain

Becky Swain welcomed members and called the meeting to order. Corey Fairholm asked if enough members were present for a voting quorum. There were not enough parent members available to vote. Minutes cannot be approved at this meeting. Becky Wells asked the minutes be corrected to list the right next meeting date of 1/30/2020 instead of 1/29/2020. Council will vote on minutes by email with the corrected date. Becky asked how we can get more parent members here for voting purpose. Next meeting all council members are encouraged to attend since voting needs to take place for Land Trust Plan. Rodney Shaw offered to provide dinner for the council as incentive.

2. General Council Administration- Chair, Becky Swain

a. Approve Minutes from the November 19, 2019 SCC Meeting

No voting quorum present. Council members will need to approve minutes by email.

b. Next Meeting-March 17, 2020 at 5:30 pm - dinner will be provided

Land Trust Approval Meeting-It is very important all council members present. Rodney wants council members to contribute to a google email chain

3. Progress Report of 2019-2020 Plan

a. Budget Review

i. 265,000 employee salaries

There is no way to give exact figure during the year. It's reconciled at the end of the year for salaries. It is being spent.

ii. 9,900 Professional Technical Services

Solution Tree Conference to improve PLC's was provided to 13 math teachers.

iii. 16,000 Equipment and Software

Two chromebook labs have been purchased.

Rodney advised that the school board was able to approve the laptop purchases for the teachers to update the technology at Bingham.. Rodney's goal is to fill the school with technology with the ongoing training to utilize it effectively. Corey asked about the updated wiring. Rodney advised the school is now on the aruba system and wifi and network have been upgraded. With this new system, laptops will function. Marilyn Richards asked about dead spots in the building. Rodney advised that Jeff Mackay informed about him about a few dead spots. Jeff has addressed it with the upcoming remodel of the vocational hall this summer. It should eliminate the few remaining. There have been a lot of load tests to help improve the network. If more routers are needed, Rodney will be sure to ask for them.

4. Report from Counseling- Tina Mitchell

Tina advised that class changes went smoothly this last time. Counselors were able to accommodate students. They are still filling schedule holes at this point and will continue to address that this next week. College day was this last Tuesday. Students were excited and were researching schools. Tina advised that registration starts on Monday and Tuesday with the 9th graders. Sophomore Orientation will be February 5th. The following week, counseling will be starting the junior PCCR's.

5. Recommendations for 2020-2021 Plan-Rodney Shaw

a. Overview of current thoughts for upcoming plan

Rodney advised the council he prefers the word suggestions for this agenda item. He wants the plan to be driven by data. It can be driven by needs in the building as well. Council can look at what the additional teacher technology training has made possible. They can provide technology to go with what teachers have received additional training in. Rodney wanted to tie agenda item 8 of PLC Initiative and Focus with current agenda item. He came from a good school that knew how to effectively use PLC's. He sees room for improvement here at Bingham. Teachers need more planning days and times to properly implement high functioning PLC's. In the next month, he will meet with all department heads. He wants to know their vision and goals. He wants Bingham to become an even kinder/nicer place. There are amazing teachers here. We can only go up. If processes are put in place and we fund it, we can only improve more. He wants to open an email chain with council members on what they recommend for spending the land trust money. Council idea and input

i. Sub pay for targeted intervention

Rodney advised the council that there are models where subs are paid for to allow for targeted intervention. The math department at Bingham is aligned in goals but there is not intervention time to really reach those students not on target. They offer tutoring but if Bingham added an intervention time, there could be improvements. Rodney doesn't want intervention to be a free choice for students. If each class was reduced by 10 minutes, there could be a 40 minute intervention each day. Students would need to be sent to class where they need to reach targeted goals. Corey Fairholm asked about students who didn't need intervention. Rodney advised there are lots of other options for character development. The Hope squad has a whole curriculum in character development that could be offered. Rodney would like to really research ideas to consider on how we can better implement an intervention time. Becky Swain summarized that Rodney wants the council to listen to the community and communicate needs and ideas back to the school with ways we can help focusing primarily on how to provide intervention. Rodney believes that the best thing that teachers need is time. Time provided by subs to meet together and do the work of PLC's and interventions.

ii. ACT Prep Class

He wants to continue and expand the ACT prep classes. He wants to work with teachers to offer more practice ACT's in the right subject classes. He is aware of students who are paying \$350 for ACT prep classes at the University of Utah. Rodney doesn't want a student to have to pay and drive to get ACT help. Ideally, Bingham should be able to meet those needs.

6. Update on Digital Citizenship-Rodney Shaw

Rodney advised that it is planned for March. The exact dates are not available to him at this time. Mike Farnsworth has set them all up. Bingham is doing individual presentations in LA classes over 3 or 4 days for all grades.

7. Land Lease with Salt Lake County-Rodney Shaw

Rodney advised that nothing is final-its all in negotiations. The District lawyer is working on the lease language. This is the latest information for this time. It could change. The building itself and the parking lot will be sold commercial. The canal is the division between the property. Sales have been difficult since they cannot get an easement with the canal. If we lease it, the county rules say they can move the parking lot but cannot make it bigger. If it goes through, the problem is how to make it useful with the least amount of cost. The board would have to level it to make sports fields or find access to it if its additional parking for Bingham. It would only be a 50 year lease so turning it into sports fields is problematic because of future negotiations. Plus as county property, it would have to be open to the public on weekends. The baseball coach has been fundraising for a very nice concession stand and would not appreciate it being open to the public who might not properly take care of it.. Negotiations are close to being done and presented to the board. Marilyn and Tracy from the school board informed council that being close is relative to the county. It could still be another 2 years. Corey asked if there was someone she could talk to in the county to move the process along. She is willing to go to meetings if it will help move the process further along. Once there is something final, Rodney will communicate it to the council and community.

8. PLC Initiative and Focus-Rodney Shaw

This agenda item was discussed with Recommendations for the 2020-21 Plan.

9. Registration Process 2020-2021-Michelle Putnam

Michelle provided council copies of the registration card they created for 10th graders. She emphasized that this is more of a survey. From the card, "This course survey has been created to help us determine what courses we will offer next year as we build the master schedule. It is NOT your registration, however, please take it seriously so we can build a master schedule that fits your needs and interests". This will help administration to finish the master schedule. Michelle advised that teachers are offering new courses as well. If there is enough interest, it can be put in the master schedule. Later, students will still go through Arena as usual. Counseling will offer a copy of the card to students but they are not required to follow it. Corey Fairholm advised that they should list have students list if they are an athlete since that also limits their schedule with particular sports. Michelle also offered they have a section for other in case students have plans for online classes. Becky Swain asked if they are going to inform students about online classes. Tina advised they do not say no to students taking online but ask the student/parent to meet with the counselor before going online. It can be a process all students are not prepared for. For the card purpose, they only want to know those already planning on it. Michelle and Tina advised that the course survey will be presented in history classes. Corey advised council that there was a skylert that went about Blended Learning. It is also on the news. Since this program is new, it will not be included on this survey. Rodney advised that the survey is needed because there is no course or interest survey done the past 7 years. With changing enrollment, we need to evaluate what is offered so the administration can properly use the FTE allocation from the district

for teachers and classes. The district provides an estimate of student population. They will tell him “We think your school is going to have this many kids.” Rodney advised the card is old school but there was no time to implement it electronically. Riverton High has had time to set it up on Skyward. Next year, we can implement the same process. This is just a survey to help them create the right class at the right numbers. Math teachers have conferenced their students. They gave them a recommendation for math placement and then listed all options open to them. They have a google spreadsheet. Becky Wells is working directly with the middle schools for what their students should take and what they want to take. Parents were encouraged to respond if they disagreed with recommendation. The math department has a good idea of what they need. Becky Swain thanked them for the big picture on registration and the master course scheduling.

10. New Prospector Credit Recovery Class-Michelle Putnam

Michelle advised the council that they have started with 3 credit recovery classes that will be taught by John Lambourne and David Peck. The class is for 12th grade students who are not on track to graduate who meet specific criteria that will allow them to graduate. With counseling they have identified 36 students.. They will work on the packets and complete credit to graduate.. Rodney advised they contacted Northridge Learning for this year only. There were 700 F grades at the end of 1st quarter. The administration will look at 2nd quarter when it is available. Grades just became final yesterday. They are reaching the students who are close to graduating. Northridge made \$50,000 on Bingham students for credit recovery last year. Rodney wants to see how Bingham can improve to help these students. Rodney is not convinced of the quality of the packets but he is committed to helping students graduate. It does very depending on the subject and some of them are older. There are currently two extremes for credit recovery. Northridge is the easy route. BYU packets are also available but you have to take a test at the end for credit and only 30% pass the final test for credit. There are Bingham packets but he doesn't know the last time they were reviewed or corrected. This is the best intervention the administration can provide for right now. He negotiated with Northridge to get a discount on packets this year to \$40 instead of \$50. The students will start the class by paying 20 for the packet. The school will cover the rest of the cost. They are hoping to reach the 36 students and raise graduation 1%. Marilyn Richards advised that this comes up every cycle as schools really look at how to help students graduate. Michelle advised this problem never goes away. Right now, using Northridge will provide immediate help. She would like to see credit recovery in house and maybe at a district level. We have a need to fill. Becky Swain summarized that as the council addresses interventions, they can also help to address the culture of interventions and reaching students earlier. For 4th quarter credit recovery, the administration is looking to work with Ammon in district. Becky Wells advised the the math department has updated the recovery packet for Secondary Math 1. They are looking for teachers to update Secondary Math 2 and 3. They did not have funding initially to cover the creation of the recovery packet. Michelle and Beckey said teachers in the district could pull together as a district since they are all teaching the students the same core curriculum.. It shouldn't be that different and we could pool resources together. Becky Swain advised the council about some of the culture behind that her own student who wanted to take the packet because the Bingham packet for Health is easier and only takes a week instead of taking the actual class. We do need to address that issue. USTAR offered through the district is also a good program for the summer. The students do actually progress with that program. Corey asked about why the council is just being informed now.

Michelle advised it is always being discussed on how to help students. They have brought it to the council so they can consider it for possible funding solutions and provide feedback. Bingham does need to address credit recovery and the culture of students and the “easy” packets. Becky Well asked about if NGs are included in the F total. Rodney advised NG’s are not considered in those totals and that is another discussion about NG’s here at Bingham.

11. State of BHS & Branding- Rodney Shaw

a. True Blue

They raised nearly \$50,000. The administration will work to overhaul the program for next year. There is no reason Bingham should raise the least amount of all the high schools in the district. Rodney feels it could be ramped up and raise even more by bringing more structure to it. Debbie Brown advised that in the past they provided true sub for santa for 150 families with DCFS and each club was in charge of a family. It really opened the eyes of students to what is needed and wanted with these families. Teacher support really makes it effective. Sharon Richins advised that it helps when parents know what they are donating for as well. A concrete purpose really helps unite the community to help and not just to raise money but truly help those in the community.

b. Permits/Enrollment

Rodney advised that Bingham has 250 permits. There is some issue on whether they are counted in our projected numbers now or not and he is working with Caleb Olson in Planning and Student Services to get a better idea of enrollment to confirm permits in our numbers and how it will affect our FTE.

c. Celebrations/Recognitions

Girls Varsity and JV Cheer won state. It is not officially recognized sport with the UHSAA for 2 more years. They tried to light the B but the propane was out. It is now refilled so they can light the B for drill. Drill won region. They compete for state on Saturday. Region Swm is tomorrow as well. Boys Regional Wrestling is coming up. One student is part of the US presidential scholar in 4 areas. This Tuesday night is a celebration for George Sluga. He was a student at Bingham. He taught here for 3 decades and coached here. They won 6 State championships. He’ll be put on the Coaches Wall of Fame. It will be at halftime at the boys basketball game and there is an Open house from 5 pm to 7 pm. Members asked if he has passed away. Rodney advised no but that his health is poor. Marily Richards said George played on the 1960 Bingham team that won state.

d. ~~Misc~~

12. Discussion on Safety

Sharon Richins is concerned about the safety of students on overnight travel. Rodney advised of the behavior requirements and contract that students must sign. The district requires adult supervision at 1 adult for every 10 students. The adult supervisors are required to have background checks. The buddy system is implemented and required for students during the trip. There are curfew requirements. The adult supervisors go through the same background check as teachers. Sharon advised that during the orchestra trip, the male teacher did a check of rooms- the teacher checked the rooms of female students. Rodney and Marilyn advised the room check is required but the policy is not formalized. The teacher is not entering the room but getting a head count of students and that they are where they are supposed to be. They are not allowed to

have 1 on 1 contact. Marilyn and Rodney advised there are detailed policies that must be reviewed and signed by all teachers and staff every year. Sharon asked for more information on the district policies. It is available on the the Jordan district website in full detail. Sharon wants a condensed summary for parents on the Bingham website so parents can educate their students on what is not appropriate so a student is aware. Rodney advised she should take these concerns to the board in the public meeting so it can be communicated districtwide.. Corey Fairholm advised her to specifically reach out to her school board member. Marilyn advised that there are detailed policies in place but it is good to take this input and make sure it is addressed for parents in a way that is easy to understand.

13. Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting Tuesday March 17, 2020 at 5:30 pm in the Alumni Room. Dinner provided.

Becky Swain reminded council for about the email chain for Land Trust ideas and approve meeting minutes for November's meeting.

***Up to 2 minutes will be provided at the end of each agenda item for questions and comments.**