

## BETHANY CHARTER SCHOOL – Special Session Board Meeting August 16, 2019

Board Members present: Karyn Buchheit, Sally Gauvin, Bryan Rose and Sarah White. Absent: Michael Slevcove. Kathy Frank present as administrator. No visitors present.

Karyn Buchheit called the meeting to order at 8:40 am. Meeting turned over to Sally Gauvin to lead.

Sarah White reported that she had talked with Kate Pattison who is current Oregon Charter School Liaison. Kate does not recommend asking for more of the ADM amount from SFSD. Kate also indicated that SFSD is one of the better districts in Oregon in regards to how it treats its charter schools. Recommendation is to invite Kate to our September board meeting on September 9<sup>th</sup> to address the board and answer any questions.

Discussions of looking at other possibilities if we can't get funding for putting in new gym or if it is going to take a very long time to reach goal. Need to make sure there are options set up for sports programs and PE before doing anything to current set up.

Discussion of looking at other things that we can bring into BCS:

- 8<sup>th</sup> graders to attend Ag class at high school that is already available for the Silverton Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> graders. This would make them eligible to participate in FFA as junior members (limited to meetings and Marion County/Oregon State Fairs)
- Speech/Debate
- Setting up some sort of BCS parent/child/co-ed sports league of our own.

Discussion on contract

- Look at situations with open enrollment and out of district students
- Has anything changed? Are we able to give staff students any priority?
- About 40% of our enrollment are out of district. Asked Kathy Frank to see if she can break that down to percentages of district these are coming from.
- Page 7 – substitutes for staff at IEP meetings – currently try to sub in house so that we don't have to hire. Try to work around.
- Page 8 – English Second Language? We have occasionally. District tests them, but they usually will test out. So far the parents have all preferred to have any of these students be English immersion.
- BCS identify psychological/social services? “may” versus “shall”. Should probably use “shall”. Follow state mandatory reporting laws.
- Later start to school day? Make up snow days? We would like to be able to decide if we are going to make up snow days.
- Questions that we might have on contract – have a parent survey to assist in our decisions on what to ask for. Sports, calendar, start time of day. Kathy Frank, Karyn Buchheit and Sara White to work on survey and bring draft to September meeting.

Kathy Frank reported that we received Strings Grant that she applied for. Overview to be presented at September meeting.

Bryan Rose reported that the gym wall is good. There is sheeting under outer layer. Just the affected outside siding needs to be replaced.

SFSD has chosen an interim superintendent.

Discussion about survey and doing town hall style meeting(s). Do survey first and then do town hall meeting November/December? Invitation to board meetings to bring options/opinions. Vision presentation at September board meeting. Topic level meetings in October/November.

Move our board meeting day? Have discussion at September board meeting.

Open House Tuesday September 17, 2019 at 6:30pm. Small presentation from board on vision/handout on vision. Issue invitation to board meetings. Town Hall style meeting on September 26, 2019 at 6:30pm.

Look into getting a designated board email through SFSD that all board member can access to use for community access to board members. Kathy Frank will look into possibility.

Pictures of board members and short bio put on BCS website. Have office do.

Look at having an actual Facebook page for BCS. This would be for notices from school and board to be posted only. No comments/pictures/etc. Need to have someone monitor/manage. Rules would need to be established.

Board/Staff meeting on September 23, 2019 at 1:00pm. This will be a town hall style.

Oktoberfest – look at getting donated sausages? Donated hamburgers? Can use large coffeepots from Waldo Hills – Karyn will bring. We will be on gravel lots close to Elks Lodge across from car show. Saturday and Sunday only. Can we get hot dog/hamburger bun donation from Franz Bakery? Discussion of advertising. Need to check on if we can set up seating area, have music?

Possible new event – spring festival/fair. “Ag fair”

- Sheepdog trials
- Booths
- Petting zoo
- Farm equipment
- Soil testing
- “Cow Pie Bingo”

Live Christmas trees – can we use the greenhouse and have students do tree starts one year to sell the next?

Meeting adjourned at 1:23 pm