

**Brownsburg Education Foundation Board Minutes
August 21, 2023
Main Board Room**

**Present: Tara Casey, Lindsey Catellier, Katie Dixon, Tarah Fettig, Kat Fenoglio, Beth Grant, Kevin Hall, Jamie Hall, Melanie Harris, Christen Hoepfner, Melissa Middleton, Brian Petraits, Alicia Smith, Jim Snapp, Rene Behrend, Katrin Tabellion
Mindy Bingaman, Heather Jones, Angela Kreitzer, Emma Leary, Amy Lynch, Hillary Rogers, Shannon Walmoth**

Absent: Ryan Morrison

Judi Adams, Alyssa DePriest, Abby Hall, Nick Johnson

7:07pm Alicia started the meeting and did an introduction.
Everyone did introductions

Tarah Fettig went over the scholarship committee- utilized a rubric to grade the applications. Rene discussed how the Kaleidoscope system is used to help with the rubric and explained the yes/no system to filter out the scholarship committee. BEF committee only manages the scholarships that BEF is responsible for giving.

Brian Petraits discussed Fast Track; it is to ensure all students throughout the corporation can have new supplies and new backpack. They served over 1200 students. He discussed the logistics of the program.

Approval of minutes; Melanie Harris motioned; Brian Petraits seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Financial Report; Budget to Actuals will need to be reposted as it was only expenses that was shared.

Snapp report; 300 new students moved in, 175 took ISTEP last year. The kids that are moving in 37.7% pass rate at English, 37.7% pass rate at Math. We have higher #s of 70%. Teachers try not to be discouraged. It is remarkable how well students improve by the time ISTEP occurs. Those students are not passing in their previous school and the parents bring them here to help them succeed.

Crossroads and West done.

What is going on at the high school? We will have 500+ parking spaces back on campus after Fall Break/Thanksgiving. Short term pain for now. Freshman class of 900 students to prepare for the future.

Homecoming parade will be in reverse.

Book fees- awful legislative session, state reimburses the school and \$150 on fees. High school \$400 fees; shortfall. It is going to cost BCSC \$500K to make up the difference of shortfall of students/positions.

Question about if grants will be expected to go up? Likely

Question about the Latin honor system and how he thought it went? The ranking system helped allow for a more well-rounded system compared to class ranks.

Address the bus situation: We knew transportation was going to be an issue. When we did redistricting, we consolidated the bus stops. We are saving money and helping kids be less on the bus. \$255K likely in savings. Buses were paid for out of transportation fund in the past. Now, that money comingles – the money we save in transportation, helps us save money in the classrooms. Reduced by 4 bus routes; also save \$.

Director's report - log cabin; made more then previous years

Question asked about \$0 from Falcone; Falcone no longer a sponsor; agreed to three years, ended up doing five years

Kat offered to dig up info on Terry Lee partnership

No discussion on committee reports

Old Business

Rene discussed strategic plan and projects around the strategic plan.

Kevin mentioned discussing endowment spending plan.

Defining board member responsibilities and help them understand expectations.

New Business

To Board Members: Sign the Board paperwork

Calendar of Events is also posted

Rene discussed Ford Drive 4 UR School event

Alicia discussed Purse Bingo

Committee Sign Ups- Rene is passing around sheet around to sign up; she emphasized if you raised money last year, you can be on one this year that gives money out.

Board Development; skipped

Sign-ups for US National to give back to earn hours for gala donation room.

Alicia spoke about volunteering at the events, and it takes everyone's help.

Question about how many Bingo tables/tickets sold so far? 325 out of 500

Additional mission moment: We hosted a free workshop for Sophomore/Junior SAT/ ACT Prep in conjunction with community partner Club Z! Tutoring. The room was full- 1 hour long. We will do that again.

Alicia adjourned meeting at 8:03pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Casey

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