

## Brave's Parent Council Meeting Notes - Sept 23, 2024

-Sign in Sheet for attendance

- I. Mission Statement - vote on one to adopt - combine the 2 into one statement  
Example - *We seek to engage our parents and community with shared relationship to support the vision of our school by being a voice, collaborators, and supporters of our students and teachers in their academics, athletics, and emotional well being.*

Example - *We strive to cultivate shared leadership through enhanced communication, address concerns, educate the community about school programs, and actively fundraise for initiatives that enrich our school climate and culture, we aim to create a supportive environment where every student can flourish.*

*We strive to cultivate shared leadership with our parents and community through enhanced communication, actively fundraising for initiatives that enrich our school climate and culture to create a supportive environment where every student can flourish.*

- II. Initiatives - Share the Ideas from "Connection"

Make master list of most important areas

- A. Fundraising - Rebecca Buchanan, Heather Potts, Doug Livingston, Shane Redfield

- a. Events
  - i. Summer golf outing
  - ii. Casino room poker
  - iii. School store with clothes (concessions)
  - iv. PTO tip jar at sporting events
- b. Rewards - kids
- c. School Improvement (things sinking funds can't buy)
  - i. MS playground
  - ii. Recess equipment
- d. Staff Appreciation
  - i. Snacks
  - ii. Christmas
  - iii. Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week
- e. Field Trips - scholarships
- f. MStep incentives
- g. Fundraising guidelines
  - i. No product fundraisers
  - ii. Communicate needs
  - iii. What we are raising money for
    1. How we spend/distribute

2. How we raise funds
3. Looking for low cost, high reward
4. Can you donate?

B. Communication - Kohl, Meagan, Lacey

- a. Statement: To enhance communication between the school, community, and parents.
- b. Important:
  - i. Not being notified last minute
  - ii. School-wide communication, Skyward
  - iii. Information table at conferences
  - iv. Announcements at home games
  - v. Sharing minutes from PTO meetings
  - vi. Staff training for skyward/remind
- c. Modes of communication
  - i. Mailings
  - ii. Attendance calls
  - iii. Sign out front
  - iv. Weekly newsletter
  - v. Phone calls for PTO meetings, parent/teacher conferences
  - vi. PTO-facebook

C. Rewards/Incentives - Tamara Hart, Scott H, Janice Tiffany

- a. Statement - Rewarding students and teachers with incentives regarding their hard work and efforts.
  - i. Kinds of acknowledgements?
    1. \*\*Student/teacher
    2. \*\*Academics-improved, top10
    3. \*\*Fine arts shared more
    4. \*\*Athletics, MVPs
    5. Test scores - high, improved
    6. Teacher longevity; welcoming
  - ii. Types of rewards/incentives
    1. \*\*Braves Bucks/redeem in store
    2. \*\*Caught being awesome
    3. \*\*Highlighting new teachers, acknowledging shared staff
    4. Small gift cards - coffee, supplies
    5. School store-like stuff

D. School Improvement -

- a. Statement

- i. The TAS School Improvement Committee is dedicated to enhancing our educational environment through collaboration among parents and teachers. The mission is to identify and implement innovative strategies that foster school pride, promote inclusivity, and support a positive school culture which prioritizes safety and emotional well-being of ALL students. We aim to improve functionality across all areas, advance technology in classrooms, and enrich our arts and extracurricular programs, and create a state-of-the-art learning environment.
    - b. Important
      - i. \*\*Survey form for school improvement - survey parents, teachers, seniors (exit interview)
      - ii. Engage with fundraising and communication
      - iii. Making sure all classes and teachers have safety tools
      - iv. Creating areas (public) in our building to recognize kids that don't get recognized.
      - v. Drop off/pick up in the parking lot issues.
      - vi. \*\*Creating space and equipment for smaller groups.
      - vii. Bring more technology to classrooms.
- III. Election of Officers:
  - A. President, - Rebecca Buchanan
  - B. Vice President - Shane Redfield
  - C. Secretary - Nicole Pelton
  - D. Treasurer - Brittany Harrison
- IV. Initiatives - subcommittee chairs
  - A. Fundraising - Heather Potts
  - B. Communication - Meagan McGraw
  - C. Rewards/Incentives - Tamara Hart
  - D. School Improvement - Don Rousseau
- V. Dates/Times for meetings - Meeting Calendar - every other Monday, rotate from 3pm to 5pm. Next meeting, Oct 7, 3pm, 1.5 hours  
-Note: facebook, email group

