

BCHS PTF Meeting Minutes

October 29, 2021

Eric Sullivan – BCHS Principal

- Opening prayer
- Karen thanked the parents/students for writing the “Light” notes to our teachers. Our teachers are a bright light.
- The PTF is a big encouragement. The “Light” notes were great. They also teach kids life skills.
- **Christmas formal** – we are working on it, looking at venues. The changing mandates is a concern. Looking at the evening of last exam (December 17) Kristy Makris brought up that some of the students were left out of Homecoming celebrations and we should try to have everyone included even if it is by class.
- **PSAT** – kids showed up! Thanks to all the parents for encouraging their children
- **ACT scores** are coming in batches
- We are making sure the MS families know our HS. 8th graders will spend a day with us in January. We like to call it “Middle School Madness” Will host the MS parent that night. 8th graders will “go to HS”. There will be a panel of students that talk to the 8th graders.
- SLU trip for 8th graders in summer before 9th grade. Info will be sent in December
- **Mission 1:8** has been postponed. Shelby Co Schools won’t let us in
- **WISH LIST**: need good outdoor tables/chairs to continue having classes/lunch outside (2-3 yr. project)
- Huge football game tonight!
- Cross Country to state – lots of PR’s
- Heartbroken for soccer team and volleyball (one game short) – both teams had incredible year
- The play (**A Midsummer Night’s Dream**) was such a good play! Amazing talent!
- Introduced Robin Loeffel

Robin Loeffel – Director of Admissions

- I am the “New Nancy”
- Was born and raised in Memphis, graduated from ECS, and University of Memphis, worked at Hutchison for 14 years.
- Word of mouth from parents is the best front line for new admissions
- Students are receiving a great education and getting gospel every day here
- 18 families attended the HS open house last night
- There will be another Open House on November 18th
- We want to make the tours as personal as possible, have gone into HS classes to collect information to pass on to prospective students and their families
- I am loving my job.
- I am getting married in March! My fiancé is in Nashville but will be moving here.
- Reenrollment contracts will be vital to return asap. Still have a little room to grow. Elementary is full, we are focusing on MS and HS, Junior class is full
- Retention has gone up the last 2 years

Devotion – Kristy Makris, PTF Chaplain

- The *D* group leadership class at Harvest Church was great!

- Please seriously consider attending the **Parent Institute Training Session** on Tuesday, November 9th. Coach J will be discussing a Gospel Response to Culture's Gender Theory.
- **Bible Study** beginning in January. Read through the bible chronologically and discuss on Tuesdays at 9am at Kristy's house in Germantown. Zoom will be an option.
- **Devotion** continues in Gentle and Lowly by Dane C. Ortlund
- Speaking about the heart of Jesus. His heart in action. What he *is*, he *does*.
- *Matthew 11:28-30* – Jesus tells us who he is. Gentle and humble, quiet in spirit
- He is accessible to us, he has open arms, he beckons us to come to him.
- Jesus draws near to the broken, the lowly, the sick. He rebuked the Pharisees.
- Luke 7:34 he is a friend of sinners
- Christ cleanses our sin. He is waiting for us with open arms.

RUSH – *Kylie Fasano – English Teacher/Student Ministries*

- **Parent Institute** – An email was sent out regarding Coach J teaching a gospel response to culture's gender theory. The faculty has already attended their session. This class will help facilitate discussions with your children. It will provide good tools to continue dialogue.
- **RUSH** – we will have in person this year November 15-17th – Ryan Fontenot – an engaging speaker – Reaching a Generation Endangered (RAGE) – wants to equip students in sharing the gospel
- D group leaders/small groups – how to be intentional

Committee Reports

Teacher Birthday Brunch – *Kelly Riley*

- We have had 2 brunches for the teachers so far this year
- The teachers love all the food!
- Still need a few volunteers for the Spring. Will send out signup at the beginning of December
- Will send reminder emails 2 days before each Birthday Brunch
- Thank you to everyone who has signed up for the year

Teacher Appreciation – *Belinda Sink*

- We have a fun job
- Had an Ice Cream Social for teachers in the Conference Room in September
- In October, we had a luncheon for the teachers and staff with spaghetti, salad, bread sticks and desserts. They picked up their food in front of the office.
- Hopefully we will be able to serve the faculty and staff together soon
- Our next event is Thanksgiving pies – a signup genius will be sent out – will collect the pies on 11/22 and deliver them on 11/23

Special Events – *Courtney Tucker spoke for Melanie Allen*

- Football Homecoming was the best it's ever been!
- Class floats were back this year!
- The tables for the families of the court were on the track like last year. Thanks to Kristy Makris for doing charcuterie boards for each table and Coach Nabors for making the boards.
- Thanks to all the parents that helped make homecoming a huge success!
- Next up...Christmas tree decorating...look for a signup genius to help on November 19th.

Upcoming Events - *Karen Munson-Gray*

- Karen went through upcoming events listed below

Closing Prayer – *Kristy Makris*

Upcoming Events

November

- 1** No school for students / College tour of Ole Miss & MS State
- 2** Senior parent coffee fellowship – 8:30am Library
- 9** Parent Institute Training Session
- 11** Teacher birthday brunch
- 15-17** RUSH week
- 18** HS Open House 6pm
- 19** **PTF Meeting 8:15 Cox Room – Special treat for those who attend**
Karen's mother-in-law making "*the best*" chess squares and sending to meeting