

BHS PAC Meeting – April 10, 2014

Meeting was called to order by President Monica Shouse at 12:15

Superintendent Watson was present to provide information regarding upcoming ballot issues. Also present were board members. Dr. Watson wanted to discuss with those parents present about what will be on the ballot mailed on April 21st. The first item will be trustee election. The second item will be land acquisition. The school district has the funds to purchase land that they believe would be beneficial for future building but need the approval of the voters. The land in question is located north of Meadowlark Elementary and is approximately 40 acres. The land costs \$30,000/acre. Future needs with informative charts detailing school district projections and how enrollment is based on births at the hospital and growth inflation were presented by the board.

Current capacity for the elementary is 3,400. There were 528 kindergarteners enrolled this year. Currently with all the elementary schools, there is still room and the district is not over capacity.

Functional capacity at the middle school level is 1400 total students between Chief Joseph and Sacajawea. If the future projections are correct, we will be at capacity in 2015. The district is considering two options: Build a third middle school or add on to one of the existing middle schools. The district is interested in hearing from parents regarding these two choices.

Currently, the district has a borrowing capacity issue in acquiring land for elementary schools as the debt limit is \$10 million.

At the high school level projected enrollment will exceed capacity in 2019. A question was asked if the district takes into consideration the limited athletic opportunities for students in high school – yes, the district looks at those items. Other discussion regarding enrollment numbers occurred.

Elizabeth Linsky gave a treasurer's report. We have \$8000 in the general fund; Senior Sober has zero activity and After Prom has regular deposits and withdrawals.

The Mandeville Project was discussed. It was voted earlier for the PAC to donate \$2500 toward the project. The PAC has been approached to manage funds for more control of who will do work on the project regarding bids, etc. and enable the committee to have more input. A motion was made for the PAC to oversee the project at a financial level by taking over the funds and opening a bank account to manage them. Motion was passed.

A motion was made for the PAC to donate \$1000 to the Take a Seat project at Willson School. Motion was passed.

Volunteer opportunities that have not been filled and have been made known for quite some time include: Shadowing Monica as president as next year will be her last year at BHS; shadowing Elizabeth; replacing Lynne as volunteer coordinator. Please tell parents that may not be on our email list of these opportunities.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15. Next meeting is May 8th – the last meeting of the school year. Minutes respectfully submitted by Chris Harmon.