

BHS PAC Meeting – April 16, 2015

Meeting brought to order by President Monica Shouse at 12:15
Introductions of all members and guests

Principal Kevin Conwell announced that the Smarter Balanced Test would be postponed to late May due to technical difficulties within the state. Juniors can take the ACT for free and should be sure to sign up for the test. This time of year also brings the opportunity for the principal to visit the rural schools and encourage questions from incoming freshmen. He is accompanied by the Speak Out students on these trips.

More changes have occurred regarding staffing next year. Randy Russell will be taking a job at another school district rather than temporarily moving to the role of Assistant Principal.

Robin Hompesch gave an overview of what has happened thus far in the Mandeville Creek project. The first section was worked on and mostly completed in August. This includes everything from Main Street to the bison statue. This summer work will begin from the bison statue to the main door of BHS and next summer work will continue to Durston Street.

On May 16th, MT Conservation Corp has volunteers coming to do some planting from 10-2. All are welcome to join.

Volunteers with horticulture backgrounds will be planning a landscape amphitheater for outside classroom activities. There are drawings for anyone who would like to take a look at them and are available on the Mandeville Creek website – bhscreek.org

The goal for funds raised for this first year is \$68,000. Additional funds will need to be raised for future work.

Discussion ensued regarding volunteer opportunities for next year. Joan Jones mentioned that she and Debbie McEachron are willing to be President and Vice President and they will sort out details and responsibilities. Chris Harmon will continue as Secretary and add the duty of Treasurer; however, she will seek outside assistance for help beyond basic bookkeeping. If someone is interested in either of these positions, please discuss with Chris. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to proceed into next year with the three members mentioned and Laura Roe continuing as volunteer coordinator.

It was mentioned that we may increase parent attendance at meetings if the agenda is published in a newsletter from the district or on the website. By-laws were reviewed regarding frequency of meetings.

Upcoming volunteer opportunities:

After Prom is May 2nd and volunteers are still needed.

Teacher Appreciation luncheon mid-May

End of the year ice cream social

Senior breakfast egg dish donations

Finals snack handouts

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm

Next meeting: Thursday May 21st at 12:15 in the BHS library

Minutes respectfully submitted by Chris Harmon