

Business Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

DATE: Wednesday, January 16, 2019
a.m.

CONVENE: 11:30

PLACE: Administration Building

ADJOURN: 1 p.m.

Roll Call: Andy Hill, Doug Beeman, Bill Neiser, Brian Pinkerton, Dan Chase, Daniel Slife, Erik Allwood, Glen Rutherford, Jim Lawrence, Kathy Breitenbucher, Liz O'Grady, Tim Manion, Julie Batey, Linda Kramer, Sandy Hall. Absent: Mike Wagar, Paul Alic, Rick Kortekaas, Jason Venner, Robert Patrick,

1. Review November BAC Minutes
 - a. Minutes posted on the BAC webpage can be found by clicking [here](#).

2. Review December and January Board of Education Agendas
 - a. Linda Kramer will be President of the WCS Board of Education and Julie Batey will be Vice President for the year.
 - b. WCS is looking at how to memorialize students who have passed away. We are trying to standardized options so we are not making decisions when emotions are high.
 - c. We have a mental health committee that is focusing on the needs of students. The board made this a goal for the year and made this a board committee. We have two counseling services that help in the school district and the cost is covered by insurance and Medicaid.
 - d. Agreement made with Recovery Plus for collection of past due amounts owed to WCS from families that have left the district.
 - e. Doug and Andy are continuing meetings regarding the dispute on funding of CIS. There will be an update before this weekend.
 - f. Fine Arts Review, Mental Health, and the Extra Curricular Review Committees are all submitting their recommendations and we are looking at how to prioritize. BAC members are welcome to attend any of these meetings.

3. Graduation Requirements
 - a. Reviewed graduation requirements for 2018-19, career pathway and the Ohio Means Jobs Readiness Seal. (Links emailed to members with agenda.)
 - b. When a student has the Ohio Means Jobs Readiness Seal, they are providing proof that he/she has had some kind of training in 15 essential professional skills.
 - c. Liz said that Summa has a Team Lead program to help with volunteer hours if this meets the criteria.

- d. Thirty students are short points because of the end-of-course exams.
- e. In addition to three pathways, the Class of 2020 now has two additional options but they removed the attendance component.
- f. Members input on what students should focus on:
 - i. Kathy said to be more specific every student should be able to read a ruler, measure things, and use fractions.
 - ii. Daniel questioned what we are trying to solve, is it the same in all communities, and is it becoming a distraction in successful districts. Does it make sense in the first place for high performing districts?
 - iii. Discussion if this puts a church leader, scout leader, or friend in a bad position because they are having to sign the professional skills forms as a mentor.
 - iv. There needs to be more standards with the Jobs Readiness Seal validation.
 - v. Are pathways necessary?
 - vi. The test has moved to online so now it appears kids are being tested if they are proficient in using chromebooks instead of if they are proficient in the subject they are being tested on.
 - vii. As soon as commotion gets so loud, then the lower the standards instead of defending it.
 - viii. If you have any other thoughts, please email Andy at ahill@wadsworthschools.org.

4. Around the Room

- a. Kathy said March 27 is the career fair at the high school. Putting together a traveling engineering panel to go to schools to talk to kids and expose them to the different kinds of engineering programs.