

Hershey Elementary School
Building Advisory Team Meeting (BAT)
Date: Thursday, November 9, 2023



Meeting Minutes

Attending:

Erin Darr
Tracy Crawford
Matt Edwards
Erika Luongo

Tracy Kerchner
Val Pantanelli
Kim Taylor
Caroline Schwalm

Brianne Yeagley
Ms. Stine
Ms. DeCicco
Mrs. Gawel

Attending via Zoom:

Eleanor Reynolds
Jenn Adolf

Grade Level Representatives 2023-24:

Kindergarten - Kim Taylor
Grade 1 - Breaunna Patterson
Grade 2 – Brianne Yeagley
Grade 3 – Shailja Sharma
Grade 4 – Tracy Crawford
Grade 5 - Caroline Schwalm
Special Education - Jackie Lerch

Elementary Vision, Mission and Purpose:

Vision: Increase student achievement through collaboration, discussion, and teaching based on student data and performance.

Mission: As a K-5 faculty, we will do whatever it takes to engage, elevate, and ensure high levels of learning for ALL students.

Purpose: Building Advisory Team (BAT):

To keep the lines of communication open between the elementary schools and community, the school has formed a Building Advisory Team (BAT), which serves in an advisory capacity to the building administrator. BAT meetings are held monthly - on the second Thursday of each month at 9:00 a.m. The BAT meetings are held in person at the Elementary School with an option to attend via zoom as well.

Use of a protocol - Any question or concern that cannot be quickly responded to will become part of the informational/presentation items made at the following BAT meeting.

Problem Solving / Solution Based Team

Use of a Decision-Making Protocol (when needed)

What is the issue/concern that requires a decision to be made?

Describe how this decision will impact students?

Describe how this decision will impact the safety of students and staff?

Will this decision go against any policies?

Consider the resources necessary to address this issue. Are they available? What will be required?

Topics shared during grade level reports:

Kindergarten – nothing to report

Grade 1 – nothing to report

Grade 2 – nothing to report

Grade 3 – nothing to report except the 3rd grade combined parties were great

Grade four – nothing to report

Grade five – nothing to report

Special Education – nothing to report

Old Business

None

New Business

- Electronic report cards will be available on November 17th. Access by logging into ParentVue through Synergy (Student information system). If you click on your child, there will be a drop down if you have additional children to view report cards.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held November 20th & 21st in person or via zoom and will be held in 15 minute time slots.

What to expect at a conference:

Should be a two-way conversation with focus and emphasis on the learning progress, opportunities & challenges as well as assignments & assessments. Make a list of questions you have to bring along to the conference.

- There will be no December BAT or PTO meeting. Ideas for our January Meeting could be: FID days (Flexible Instruction Days).

Additional items/questions that were shared by attendees:

Some ideas for upcoming BAT meetings:

- Why aren't iPads being sent home with students anymore
- Updates on the new building project

Sharing from Principals – to be done at PTO Meeting

Next BAT Meeting will be held on Thursday, January 11, 2024 starting at 9:00 am in Elementary Room 6 with an option to attend via zoom

Please email Mrs. Funck with suggestions for a topic to discuss