

**Hershey Elementary School  
Building Advisory Team Meeting (BAT)  
Date: February 8, 2024**



**Meeting Minutes**

**Attending:**

Brianne Yeagley  
Jaclyn Lerch

Sara Tuanquin  
Kim Lyons

Mrs. Funck

**Attending via Zoom:**

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

Grade 4 – nothing to report

Grade 5 – nothing to report

Special Education – nothing to report

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

What is SEL (Social & Emotional Learning)?

Social and emotional learning (SEL) as an integral part of education and human development. SEL is the process through which all young people and adults acquire and apply the knowledge, skills, and attitudes to develop healthy identities, manage emotions and achieve personal and collective goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain supportive relationships, and make responsible and caring decisions.

A short video was shared as an overview about SEL.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ouXhi\\_CfBVg&t=261s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ouXhi_CfBVg&t=261s)

The following are some resources that were shared regarding SEL:

- [Family Resources and Activities to Promote Social and Emotional Development](#) (National PTA)-This collection of resources shows what SEL can look like at home and also offers specific family **games and activities** so that families can work on exercising these invaluable life skills together.
- [Confident Parents, Confident Kids](#) -This is the first **blog** dedicated to advancing parents' and caregivers' knowledge and understanding of parenting with SEL. The site has a wealth of free tools, resources, and strategies to use at each and every age and stage.
- [CASEL](#)- Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning

**Additional items/questions by attendees:**

April 8<sup>th</sup> is the Solar Eclipse. Will students be going out to recess that day?  
Mrs. Funck will check with the nurses, etc.

**Sharing from Principals** – to be done at PTO Meeting

**Next BAT Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 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**