

## Big Sandy School District Accountability Mtg Minutes

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

- I. Kathy called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.
- II. Officer Elections- Senior members were late to the meeting due to a class assignment. Election results are as follows: President-Ryann Eurich, Vice President-JT Swennes, Secretary/Treasurer-Willie Swennes.
- III. Board/School Reports
  - a. Board-Mr. Wilson thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. District Performance Frameworks were released recently. They haven't been released for two years due to Covid. Our district received 71.8% with an Accredited ranking. Last year, we received several new students who had not attended school or were below grade level. Our current enrollment is 360 students which is the highest enrollment that we have had. We have four new teachers this year. Two left us at the end of last year. In addition, three new paras have been added to our staff. We are going through two audits right now. Carman carried the bulk of the work load during an audit. Our fund balance is significantly up from last year. Last legislative year, special education received more money to fund these programs. Kevin Braun will be moving to Falcon and is currently on our School Board. After he closes on his house, he will resign from the Board with a letter of resignation. The Board will appoint someone to take his place. This will be publicized in the Ranchland. BOCES received a \$2 million grant. Plans are to build a regional vocational center that will be more centrally located for all partnering districts.
  - b. Elementary-The year is off to a great start. Testing has been completed, and students are settled into their classes. One new teacher, Mrs. Baker, and three new paras, Mrs. Hoops, Miss Pihl, and Mrs. Allen were added to our elementary team. As of today, we have 163 students enrolled in the elementary, PreK-5<sup>th</sup> grade. Cub's Den had their first meeting of the year. Each month, they will focus on a specific theme. This month is "Perseverance." During meetings, fifth grade leaders taught a short lesson on this and had activities so students could understand what perseverance is on a practical level. Mrs. Stanko and Mrs. Townley are leading Cub's Den this year. Elementary STUCO is meeting weekly on Friday morning's during recess. Mrs. Creel is helping organize this group. Second through fifth graders make up this crew. Elementary Matchwits is gearing up. They will be meeting on Tuesdays after school for practice. Mrs. Jones will be working with them. The 2022 District Frameworks became available last week. The elementary scored a 75% on a performance plan which is the highest ranking available. Our district as a whole received "Accredited."
  - c. Secondary-The start of the year has been solid. The high school has 110 students, and the junior high is about 90 kids. There could be some changes in our sports classification in the next couple of years. Regarding frameworks, the high school scored the lowest with low growth, and the junior high scored the highest of all

schools. We are proud of their hard work. This weekend will be our “spirit” weekend. If students buy a shirt, they will get in free to both games. Parent/teacher conferences will be on Monday from 3-8 pm. Homecoming will be on October 10<sup>th</sup>. The theme is “board games.” It’s been a good start to the year.

IV. 2021-2022 Year End Report-No questions or comments.

V. Kid’s Korner, Key Communicators

- a. Kid’s Korner-Cross country has been going well. There have been three competitions with three students participating. Matchwits’ first meet was last night. After the written test, Simla was placed in the fourth position. Football has been going well. Simla is undefeated after playing three games. The high school will be doing a murder mystery on November 8<sup>th</sup>. Cheer is going well. Cheerleaders will be performing at the pep assembly and the game. STUCO is currently working on homecoming activities. Esports has a scrimmage week this week, and there are ten students on the fall team. They will be participating in three games this season.
- b. Key Communicators-CR started up last week with all of their weekly events. Over 70 kids participated. Booster club has their first meeting. Elected officer positions are: Peggy Cauthon is the president, Tonya Hisle is vice president, Tina Metzgar is the secretary, and Chad Maranville is the treasurer. Community peewee football has started back up.

VI. Title I, Preschool, Nutrition, Facilities Updates

- a. Title 1-Consolidated App was approved, and we did not receive as much money as we have in the past.
- b. Preschool-Currently, we have 29 students, and there are 3 students on the wait list. Seal coating was completed on the preschool playground, and the art dept. painted it.
- c. Nutrition-Mr. Wilson asked new students how they like lunch, and they stated that it is way better here. Our lunch numbers are a little lower this year which is probably due to students having to pay for their own lunches this year.

VII. Facilities-We have a new HVAC system over by the transportation building. Crack sealing bids are being taken. Cement hazards have been sanded down to avoid tripping hazards. The glycol leak is being repaired. Shades are being installed in the gym and the cafeteria. Water testing will be done soon, and ceiling tiles have been replaced that were stained from leaks. A grant for electric buses was applied for which would provide three buses, including charging stations.

VIII. Safe Schools Plan

- a. Safe Schools-All of our staff had mandatory reporting training and Lifespot training. We are looking at possibly having a part time SRO. A fire drill and lock down drill have already taken place.

IX. Ryann adjourned the meeting at 3:55 pm.

### Charges for 2022-23

1. Continue to monitor academic progress, attendance, and graduation rate.
2. Provide input on the accreditation process as needed.
3. Serve as the Vocational Advisory, Title I, Preschool, Performance Evaluation, Drug Advisory, Safety, Nutritional, and Facilities Committee.
4. Review our Safe Schools Plan.