

Big Sandy Accountability Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 12 at 3:00 p.m.

- I. Morgan called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.
- II. Board/School Report
 - a. Board-Our counselor, Mr. Thieman, was recognized by the state as an outstanding counselor. Mr. Tucker and Mr. Wilson have been working with some vendors and others to write a grant to help supplement tech needs such as classroom touch screens. We are receiving bids to replace the bid down at the football field. E-learning days have to be approved, and our policies have to be updated to reflect changes. Currently, we have used two e-learning days and have three more to use. We are out of snow days. Our audit will be happening soon. A long-term sub will be needed for Mrs. Tipton after spring break. Interviews for the superintendent were held last week. About thirteen people applied, and a finalist was named on Monday. There will be a fourteen-day vetting period for contract negotiations. At the SAC committee, next year's calendar will be discussed.
 - b. Elementary-January was writing month, and several students participated. Tomorrow, they will receive a prize, snack, and extra recess. True Sport athletes, along with Mrs. Montague, will be hosting our annual True Sport games from 12:30-2:30 pm. Elementary students will compete in their Cub's Den groups. A US Olympic athlete will be attending. Valentine's parties will be held in the afternoon. On Friday morning, I will be going to UCCS to speak to prospective elementary teachers about our district. On Tuesday, the fifth grade will be going on a Space Challenger mission at the Space Foundation. I appreciate teachers providing this type of "hands on" learning for students. Parent/teacher conferences will be held on March 6th from 3-8 pm. Our annual Read Across America celebration will be held the last week of February. If we reach our collective goal of 1000 books, we will have a minute to win it party on Friday afternoon.
 - c. Secondary-We just had a state wrestling send off today. They will compete tomorrow, Friday, and Saturday. Several students qualified for state competition in FBLA. There will be a baseball game during state FBLA. The Denver Broncos will be supplying football helmets for our players over a four-year period. These are specialized helmets that will further protect players. Shot clock will be required soon. Basketball rescheduling is a mess right now. We are limited on officials. JH girls' basketball won the championship. Cub's Crew is working on having a dance soon. Spring sports practice begins February 24th. JH wrestling has started with about 15 wrestlers. Baseball schedule is on the calendar. Valegrams will get delivered tomorrow. NHS had eight students that were selected for induction. Last week, three students signed to play ball at the collegiate level. Parent/teacher conferences will be coming up in March. Miss Montague will be sponsoring a heart dissection on March 5th for her classes. Class pictures were today.

III. Kid's Korner/Key Communicators

- a. Kid's Korner-Freshman store is still up and running. Pancakes on a stick are a hit, and lots of other items are available as well. Elementary basketball is continuing with a tournament in Kit Carson soon. Matchwits made it to state Knowledge Bowl, and they will be competing on the 17th and 18th. STUCO is planning some more spirit point activities. They want to plan activities to also increase student involvement at games. Journalism had a photo shoot yesterday for Valentine's Day which was fun. They are also working on yearbook. May 1st will be the drama's production of "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory." May 7th will be decision day.
- b. Key Communicators-We are starting a youth wrestling program on Monday night. It will be K-2 and then 3-5th grades. There is also interest in beginning a soccer program as well. Baseball will begin after that.

IV. Preschool/Vocational

- a. Preschool-UPK has already started signing up for next year. Currently, our afternoon class for next year is already full. Our morning class came today for 10 am-noon. Our preschool staff is going through a book study on analyzing behaviors in children. They will also be going to a conference in March.
- b. Vocational-Nothing new to report.
- c. Safety Committee- The importance of delaying school for weather was discussed. Parents appreciate the extra time for safety. Lane appreciated the delay of school because he had more time to clean off the snow. Thank you to Lane, Oscar, and Chris for removing all of the snow for us which has been a lot this year.

V. Unified Improvement Plan Update-Since our school received the Accredited with Distinction rating on the frameworks, we will not have to do a UIP this year.

VI. Nutrition/Wellness-Daylight savings time is less than a month away. The cafeteria ladies are doing a great job.

VII. Morgan adjourned the meeting at 3:42 p.m.