
B.P.T.A. Executive/Board Liaison Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 30, 2010 @ 4:30 PM
Division Office

Present: Garth Hunter, Kathleen Guillas, Ray Kulbacki, Dale Swanton, Connie Suggitt, Donna Christison and Jason Young

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. and chaired by Dale Swanton.

1. Minutes from the April 13th, 2010 meeting were reviewed.
2. Improved door locks for lockdowns – 2 items
 - a) The front doors are being left open throughout the day and the committee is reviewing ways to monitor them. A discussion was held around buzzer systems currently used at Brookdale, J. M. Young and Colony schools to open the front doors. The downside being that someone still needs to go and visibly see who is at the door. It was noted that of the four larger schools, R. J. Waugh is the only building where someone can enter the front door without having to walk by the office/secretary. To monitor doors properly would require a system that allowed locks to be opened from a different location in the building, a camera system and proper wiring. Concerns were raised around the amount of time that would be required for a person to monitor this.
 - b) The locks in our schools that require a person to lock the doors from the outside.

Two types of locks were discussed (push button locks and double keyed locks). The cost to replace all locks divisionally to make it so doors could be locked from the inside was in excess of \$112,000. We have over 300 locks divisionally. Each lock/handle would cost between \$300 and \$400. A discussion was held around the fact that even if locks were changed, people would still need to carry keys. Some schools noted that they currently leave their doors locked at all times and if they need to get them closed in a hurry it just requires them to push them shut.

3. CORE Values

The Superintendent discussed that BPSD is working on a set of CORE values that are intended to help guide our practice and our decision making throughout the division. The process of collecting data from all staff was discussed. The final formulation of the Divisional CORE Values will happen at Elkhorn during the Board/Principal Conference. Roy Seidler will help guide and facilitate that process.

4. Divisional Plan

The Superintendent went over the divisional plan with the committee. The four divisional priorities for this year were discussed. They are as follows:

- The Division will promote school safety and a positive climate.
- The Division will develop an effective Supervision and Evaluation Policy for all teaching staff.
- The Division will develop a set of CORE Values.
- The Division will evaluate methods for offering “Programming Support” to students.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.