School Business Partnership Executive Council Meeting
Minutes
Thursday, August 19, 2021

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Committee Members Present: Bob Bisson, Denise Rowell, Susan Crosby, Melvin Greer, Adele Tierney, Jim dePrado, John Walsh, Stuart Vermaak, Nancy Evanko, Sharon Wright, Michael Perham, Tony Stafford, and Gina Osorio Wallace.

Others Present: Grant Schafer, Neil Slevin, Wayde Byard, Danielle Meyer, Nick Grzeda, Kristina Lee, Dr. Lhe Smith, Danielle Nadler, Kari Murphy, Kim Yeager, and Theresa Kurzeja.

Location: Lightridge High School

1. Call to Order and Attendance:
   - Meeting called to order at 8:07a.m. by Bob Bisson.
   - Due to a lack of a quorum, the approval of minutes from the last meeting on May 20, 2021 will be brought up for a vote at the September 23, 2021 meeting.
   - Introductions were made for the new members including the new Loudoun Education Foundation team, Danielle Nadler and Kari Murphy.

2. Council Orientation:
   - Neil Slevin, Executive Director, Teaching and Learning gave an overview of the importance of this committee and the need for chairpersons and members of the following committees:
     - JFD/Career Exploration: We need input from the council of ideas surrounding restructuring, adding, and/or expanding the Job for a Day program. Sharon Wright, Adele Tierney, and Denise Rowell expressed interest in joining this committee.
     - Breakfast recognition: This has been rescheduled to March 2022, but due to the ongoing concerns regarding COVID, this event may need to be restructured moving forward.
     - Awards: Susan Crosby expressed interest in joining this committee. Wayde Byard from the LCPS Public Information office stated that this committee should begin working in October to be able to meet the deadlines for video and written submissions.
     - Membership: The question was asked if there is a database list of former business partners that can be contacted for re-engagement with the School Business Partnership.
3. Council Voting:
   • Nomination of Officers: Please submit your nomination for Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary prior to the meeting on September 23, 2022 so votes can be cast. You may nominate yourself.
   • The bylaws for this council must be reviewed in 2022. It was suggested that the council form a committee to begin this review in January/February 2022.

4. Lightridge High School Introduction and Presentation:
   • Dr. Ryan Hitchman, Jennifer Schrader and staff gave the council a presentation of the curriculum that focuses on getting students ready for the “real” world after high school. Resume building, career exploration skills, and public speaking some of the areas that are integrated into the 12th grade English curriculum. Tours of the school were also available after the meeting. Melvin Greer mentioned that they might consider integrating the curriculum prior to 12th grade. Tony Stafford suggested that they ensure students understand the importance of commitments.

5. Council Calendar, Budget and Upcoming events:
   • Due to time constraints, budget discussion will be moved to the September meeting.
   • Propel/Level Up event called “Stemeganza” will be held at Seneca Ridge Middle School for students in 3rd-9th grade on September 18, 2021. Council members that wish to participate should reach out to Grant Schafer or Danielle Nadler.
   • Student Leadership Conference, that includes a Computer Science Internship Fair will be held November 1, 2021.
   • Breakfast recognition event is currently scheduled for March 4, 2022

6. Miscellaneous
   • Does the Council want to purchase a table at the upcoming Loudoun Chamber State of Workforce event on September 24, 2021? Please reach out to Grant Schafer or Neil Slevin for more information.

7. Adjournment
   • The next School Business Partnership Council meeting will be held on September 23, 2021 at Harmony Middle School.
   • Meeting adjourned at 9:13am.