

Twinsburg City School District
Business Advisory Council (BAC) Meeting
Tuesday, August 27, 2019
Twinsburg High School, Media Center Classroom, 10084 Ravenna Road,
Twinsburg, Ohio 44087
8:00 a.m.

Meeting Minutes-

In Attendance: Kathi Powers (TCSD), Chad Welker (TCSD), Norm Potter (TCSD), Laura Hebert (Twinsburg High School Principal), Steve Schiopota (Heritage One Resources LLC), Belinda McKinney (In Full Bloom Consulting – TCSD Consultant), Todd Courtney (Crown Composites), Jenny Stupica (ConxusNEO), Mark Annichine (Twinsburg Schools Foundation), Celena Roebuck (ideastream), Michelle Willmott (VMS), Melissa Mertes (Mad About Marketing), Jennifer Goings Smith (Eaton)

Meeting was called to order at 8:07 a.m.

Minutes from the June 25, 2019 meeting were approved.

Board Members Rob Felber and Matt Cellura not in attendance.

Superintendent Kathi Powers welcomed those in attendance and discussed the following:

- Information about the *Conceptual Legacy Project* will be shared at the next meeting. The project includes plans for George G. Dodge Intermediate School.
- Blended Learning at Samuel Bissell Elementary School and George G. Dodge Intermediate School have expanded this year. This gives the students a chance to harness technology, to learn how to work with each other to complete a project and the flexible furniture and bright colors make it exciting for the students.
- The Chromebook Initiative is continuing and working well.
- The Academy is starting its third year.

The Academy at Twinsburg High School, Kick-Off Event – Norm Potter:

- Scheduled for Wednesday, September 11th. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., event will start at 7:00 p.m.
- Master of Ceremonies will be THS Junior Isan Kalhan.
- Celena Roebuck from ideastream will share a portion of the documentary, “The Career Path Less Taken”.
- Students will be recognized for their participation in *The Academy*.

- There will be a panel discussion with guests Mrs. Roseanne Potter, CFO – The Cleveland Clinic, Mrs. Jennifer Goings-Smith, Director of IT – Eaton Corporation, and Dr. Roger Goudy, President – AAU will share their experiences and thoughts about their careers.
- Estimating around 100 people – 50 have already responded from first email.

Laura Hebert discussed the SUCCESS class. This will be a Freshman class with the motto “Explore, Enrich, Experience”. Students will be able to explore careers, work on their resumes, learn and practice soft skills. Every Freshman will be required to take the semester class.

Summer Employment Recap – Belinda McKinney:

- Received positive feedback from the employers that employed students from the Summer Job Fair.
- Will try to hold event earlier in the year and talk to more businesses to get them involved.

Partnership Updates – Norm Potter:

- Ahuja Medical Center is expanding - \$200 million expansion. Willing to come to Twinsburg to meet with students. Yearning for employees and trying to entice students to go into the medical field. They offer tuition reimbursement for both part time and full time employees.
- Swagelok would like to work with Twinsburg on an internship program. Transportation is still an issue. Crossing county lines for public transportation is tough. Suggestion from group was to meet with Joe Spiccia, Wickliffe School District Superintendent for his experience on the collaboration with Swagelok and MAGNET.
- ConXus is expanding their footprint in Summit County – Manufacturing to IT to Healthcare. They are working with all major hospitals, creating strategies, and promoting jobs.
- The Academy has started off strong with medical fields, need to be more involved in manufacturing fields. Manufacturing floor experience is great for engineering fields.

Tour of Twinsburg High School Makerspace – Beth Mariola

❖ Proposed next meeting Date/Time: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 @ 8:00 a.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Meeting Minutes Approved on Tuesday, October 29, 2019.