Twinsburg City School District
Business Advisory Council (BAC) Meeting
Tuesday, May 29, 2018
Twinsburg High School, Large Group Instruction Room ~ 8:00 a.m.

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Kathi Powers (TCSD), Norm Potter (TCSD), Jennifer Goings Smith (Eaton), Jenny Stupica (Conxus NEO), Melissa Mertes (Mad About Marketing), Steve Schiopota (Heritage One Resources LLC), Todd Courtney (Crown Composites), Megann Eberhart (Twinsburg Chamber of Commerce)

Meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m.

- Superintendent Powers welcomed those in attendance.
- Minutes from the March 13, 2018 Business Advisory Council meeting were approved.
- Norm Potter provided a summary and update regarding *The Academy at Twinsburg High School* and presented plans for the future:
 - 138 students participated in different events logging over 370 hours of time outside of the classroom;
 - o *The Academy* has 57 business partners in the community;
 - On June 8th or June 13th a group of teachers will participate in a tour of local businesses to get an idea of what different workplaces are like so they can understand what their students need to know. Todd Courtney from Crown Composites is providing financial support to compensate the teachers for their participation on the tour;
 - Ahuja will be having two (2) summer camps at Beachwood High School taught by staff from Case Medical Center – one for year 1 students (Dissection) and the second for returning students (Anatomy and Physiology). The camps are free of charge to the students; and
 - Kent State is holding a Computer Programming camp with one of our students being accepted to participate.
- The interview process was discussed as a possible future summer program/camp for Twinsburg students. Members of the community would create mock interviews with students and provide guidance on resume writing.
- A summer program in Beachwood that is sponsored through the Beachwood Chamber of Commerce was discussed as a possible option to bring to the table for Twinsburg students. It involves presentations by local leaders as well as leadership training. More needs to be investigated – Norm will observe the camp to see if this might be a good option for our students.

- Mentoring is a requirement for students to earn the OhioMeans Jobs Seal on their transcript. Participating students would need three (3) adult mentors in two different fields. Mentors as well as Mentees would need training to know what is expected. Alumni might be a good source to utilize.
- Adecco was presented as a business that could possibly assist with the Academy's internships. There would be a fee for their services. Possibly invite a representative from Adecco to the next meeting to discuss further.
- Background checks for internship volunteers would need to be discussed if the volunteers are working with the students.
- The BAC's next steps should include the development of professional growth opportunities for our business partners' employees so they are prepared to work with THS students in internships/shadowing experiences.
- Kathi Powers stated that the District is formally affiliated with the Business Advisory Council affiliated with the Northeast Ohio Educational Service Center. Because of this connection, no formal bylaws would be needed for our Business Advisory Council.

The next Business Advisory Council Meeting will be August 7, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. Location to be determined.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m.