

Thorne Bay School

ADVISORY SCHOOL COUNCIL Agenda

Date: 11/23/21

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- I. **Call to order:** Anthony motions to begin, Terri Seconds
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Attendance:** .Matt Gore, Brandy Prefontaine, Joanna Schneider, Anthony Lovell, Laura Clark, Amy Jennings, Heather Mendonsa, Terri Kohn, Loubeth Vaughn, Lucette Lovell
- IV. **Approval of agenda:** Amy motions to approve the agenda, Anthony seconds.
- V. **Approval of minutes from the 27 October 2021 meeting** Anthony motions to approve the minutes, Amy seconds.
- VI. **People to be Heard:** None.
- VII. **Student Council Report** (5min): No report.
- VIII. **Communications** (5 min): No correspondence to discuss at this time.
- IX. **Individual/Committee Reports** (5 min):
 - A. **Athletic Director:** none
 - B. **Coaches:** Korissa Oatman is returning as our girls bball coach, and Mel Cook as our boys bball coach.

Korissa will be overseeing the girls in making the centerpieces for the tables for the Community Christmas dinner Dec. 16th as a fundraiser. Willie Jennings was hired as the Esports coach. Maria is still doing karate and John and James Stevens are doing archery and marksmanship.
 - C. **Extracurricular Activities/Non-Sports Related:** none

D. Testing Coordinator: The ParaPro Praxis was held in Thorne Bay on October 29, 2021, and the next available testing date will be January 14, 2022. If interested.

Every year ELL students complete the World-Class Instructional Design and Assessment Consortium (WIDA) The WIIDA is a proficiency assessment for students who have been identified as English Language Learners. The assessment assesses four language domains of Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing rather than content area knowledge and skills. The foreign exchange students in SISD took the WIDA Screener this past week to determine if they are required to take the assessment in the spring. The SAT will be held here in Thorne Bay on March 12th. Registration Deadline is February 11, 2022. The deadline to make Changes is March 1, 2022.

The ACT is going to be administered in Klawock on February 12. [Here is the website for registration.](#)

For either test, students must bring their admission tickets (print after registering), a photo ID, a mask, a #2 pencil (no mechanical pencils, and no pens), a watch to pace yourself (not a Smart watch), a 4 function basic calculator, and snacks/water to eat outside the test center during breaks.

Do NOT bring: any type of textbooks, dictionaries, scratch paper, or any other kinds of aids, notes, highlighters, correction tape, colored pens/pencils, digital devices, reading material, tobacco. Leave phones in the car (including Smart watches, fitness bands, or anything else that connects to the Internet). Digital devices may not even be accessed during breaks.

Please don't hesitate to contact me, Carol Randolph (crandolph@sisd.org) if you have any other questions or concerns.

E. Curriculum Coordinator:

At our most recent staff inservice, we had representatives from Kesler Science work with staff in orienting them to all that Kesler provides for students. Teachers were excited to see all that it makes possible. Kesler science lessons are designed with these four non-negotiables in mind:

Experiences have to be engaging.

They have to build relationships.

The activities need to be student-centered and allow for student choice.

Connect student learning to the real-world.

Using Kesler science supports students in increasing their participation and engagement throughout the year. More importantly, students made connections to the content, which built their confidence and gave them a sense of responsibility for their learning.

We also have ordered the bridge workbooks for staff who requested these as a precautionary measure should school be remote any time this school year. These books help students stay on course and not lose ground scholastically.

We will soon be starting curriculum committees for updating social studies, health/PE, and technology.

X. Administrative Reports:

A. Superintendent's Report and Training (10 min.): None.

B. Principal's Report:

We had a successful end to our first quarter and students are busily applying themselves to our 2nd quarter with Thanksgiving break in sight! Below are a few of our highlights:

Preschool: *Billy Goats Gruff* has been a real hit in this classroom with students presenting this play to parents!

Fall Fest: We had a wonderful, family fun Fall Fest centered around the theme, "Clue," from the popular board game. Concessions did well and we were able to raise money for needed groceries for the Seaford family with the ticket price.

Middle School Basketball: The students from TBS combined with Kasaan to make up a team. They have been putting their all into the games and we are thrilled they have this opportunity this year!

ESports: There is a LARGE team of high school students this year from TBS engaged in esports! We are truly grateful for Willie Jennings for stepping up to be the coach. Students fund raised for their sport at Fall Fest by doing family portraits.

Student Council: We had a successful election of student council members to represent our school. We have elementary student representatives along with the high school officers, led by the intrepid Aly Howell as Stuco advisor! We look forward to all they will do to give back to their school and community.

Eskimo Ninja Warrior: Nick Hanson is here as a motivational speaker for the district! Other sites will be joining with TBS to watch him in action and to hear his inspiring message.

The first take on school photos has reached the students, and we are setting up the second round of school photos for those who missed the first time. These will be used in the yearbook.

The Commons continues to be a favorite hangout for students of all ages! We now have a ping pong table, foos ball table, couch, a large area rug with the school colors, a kiddy korner, and more! The students enjoy gathering together in the mornings after breakfast and in the afternoons after lunch.

Our next ASC meeting will mark the election of officers for the current school year. We are hopeful for community involvement in this process!

This month also highlights Veterans Day. We are grateful for our veterans and their families, for all they sacrificed to make this country so great and to provide freedom for generations to come. We salute them for their courage and commitment!

This month, I have been overcome with so much gratitude for the team comprised by Thorne Bay Staff. We couldn't ask for better teachers and paraprofessionals who are more invested in our school and community. We are certainly grateful for our staff, students, and community and for all they teach us as we grow together!

XI. ASC Reports

A. Advisory School Council Treasurer's Report: [October Statement](#)

B. ASC Chairman Report/Items for Advisory School Council Consideration: Heather will be making a breakdown for concessions fundraisers to show where the money from the fundraiser should go. This will be provided to the treasurer.

XII. New Business-

A. Elect new panel

Chair- Heather declines. Nominations: Loubeth nominates Anthony Lovell. Amy seconds the nomination. Anthony accepts the nomination. Unanimous Yes.

Vice Chair- Loubeth declines. Nominations: Loubeth nominates Brandy prefontaine, Laura accepts the nomination. Brandy Accepts the nomination. Unanimous Yes.

Secretary - Brandy declines. Amy nominates Loubeth, Laura accepts the nomination. Loubeth accepts. Unanimous Yes.

Treasurer- Laura declines. Joanna nominates Amy Jennings, Laura seconds. Amy accepts the nomination. Unanimous Yes.

B. Wolverine Store!

a. <https://apparelnow.com/thorne-bay-wolverines-apparel>

b. Payment is set up to go to TBS ASC quarterly

Commissions are paid every 3 months (quarterly) for stores that have reached sales commissions of \$100 or more. Payments are sent by the 15th of the month

following the end of each quarter. Payment months are January, April, July and October.

- c. Do we want to pay so people can choose to have the wolverine logo embroidered on their products?

<https://apparelnow.com/store/your-store/support/payment?qp=2278>

<https://apparelnow.com/store/your-store/support/payment?qp=2307>

It is ~ \$80 to have the old logo embroidered and ~\$40 to have the new logo embroidered. This is a one time fee.

Loubeth motions to table this question until our next ASC meeting. Terri

Seconds. Motion passes.

C. ASC Costco Card? Or Sysco? US Foods?

- a. <https://shop.sysco.com/app/discover>

Sysco is unknown as they are short on supplies.

- b. We have an inquiry in to US Foods

This looks like it will go through.

- c. If we go Costco, we could use the maintenance card and they could bill our ASC

If we use the Maintenance Costco card then we need at least \$250 to have it shipped on the barge. It is \$0.30/lb for dry and for \$0.60/lb for chill. Terri Reed does the Costco coop in town and we as an ASC could order through them and join that coop to reach the weight minimums for the barge. Our concern is who will be responsible for checking to make sure we have what we need and keeping inventory.

Our main problem is that we need a debit card to be able to buy things.

Rather than joining the coop, it is preferred by the Concessions to have our orders done independently rather than in a coop.

Whose names should the debit cards be put under need to be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

Terri motions that add to our next agenda that we remove all old asc members from our Debit cards and accounts and put new panel members on the debit cards and accounts. Heather seconds.

Motion passes.

D. Energy Drink Discussion

- a. [CDC Energy Drink Info](#)
- b. [American Academy of Pediatrics Info](#)
- c. [NIH Info](#)
- d. Community/staff input is as follows:
 - i. I feel whatever rule we implement and expect of our students, if it's for health and safety reasons, we should set the example (within reason)
 - ii. How would the energy drinks be defined...the internet defined energy drinks as beverages with caffeine and/or sugar and/or other stimulants? This could ban a whole list of consumer products...coffee, tea, soda...and other products. Energy drinks such as Red Bull or Monster drinks are simply caffeinated drinks with other natural (non federally illegal) ingredients. It will be difficult to define this. Also I know a people with some mental disorders and their Dr. actually prescribed the use of caffeine. My point in bringing this up, is any ban should allow for exceptions or medical accommodations. Any ban should also not carry the same consequences as use of alcohol or drugs...no one should lose a job over the consumption of caffeine or sugar. Further if we are to ban these ingredients in the form of liquid, then shouldn't supplements and foods that contain these also be ban? Like excedrin or pamprin or natural supplements...or even cake and candy? I'm sure you get my point...any

ban would need to be well defined as we definitely don't want to open the district up to any legal challenges. Also, would staff time be required to check coffee mugs and drink containers for these energy drinks? Is there enough staff to take this on, or would the district be directing the health choices of staff with a ban. It's pretty difficult to get good employees right now, I'd hate to sour any employees because of a ban that's maybe not needed...rather educating is a better option. Maybe allowing staff the choice to consume it...but doing so discreetly in a non labeled container. But I'm curious to know how a ban would be defined and how it would be enforced... Please know I understand that overtime use of a stimulant can cause health concerns. But I also firmly believe that any ban must be well defined...otherwise it becomes unenforceable.

- iii. Energy drinks are extremely bad for you, especially children! My ex-husband drank them every night he had to work, and ended up in the hospital with kidney failure and heart problems. They claimed he was a drug addict, due to all the ingredients in the energy drinks. It's worse for kids. They need to not be encouraged to drink them! I knew a biologist that came to my work, and she said that an energy drink equals 6 POTS of coffee! She said they cause a ton of health problems, so they created a healthier one for this that refuse to stop drinking them. It's Hansen's energy drink, and it uses your own bodies something (it was over 20 years ago, so I can't remember the exact word she said...chemistry?) to make it work, so it was a lot healthier for you.
- If everyone is going to drink them, then we need to at least find a healthier version of them. Kids don't know, they only follow adults leads. I'd hate to start losing people.

- iv. Energy drinks are unhealthy, but banning them from school presents some logistical problems. If students don't consume them in school they will simply slam them down before coming back at lunch and before school. This is even more hazardous than having sips during breaks and throughout class. Teachers should not be required to abstain from energy drinks, or any other caffeinated beverage. Until energy drinks are made illegal for minors the Thorne Bay School does not have the right to dictate what drinks students bring into school. The idea is absurd.

Heather motions that we not ban energy drinks.

Brand amends the motions that we educate with some information about the public health concerns, but not ban energy drinks.

Heather amends the motion that we not ban energy drinks, but that we educate students about the health concerns related to energy drinks.

Lucette Seconds. Motion passes.

There are many resources online that are wonderful to use to help educate students.

E. Paying back student credit

We have a couple of requests that we are crediting student accounts for accounts that were done with the previous ASC panel. Previous administration zeroed out all accounts, which was good for those who owed money, but there were students who also had credit and they lost. There are parents concerned about this and feel as though it is unfair that those who had a credit did not have it pushed forward or paid back.

Some advances have been made looking through the previous ASC accounts where we might be able to go back and see the records of what actually

happened. Airica Tripple has been reached and we believe that we will be able to sort things out in the future to give a better response to this problem. This is a priority of ours. The system used for the previous accounts does not work well for us now and we will be working towards switching to a spreadsheet system that is more comprehensive. There have been multiple issues with allocations and credits. We are discovering more information and will be able to audit the information and figure out exactly what is owed and due for each student. For those who are searching for information they will be told if they owe money or if they have a credit. We will be working with the administration to work these problems out.

Brandy motions to make an audit committee including the treasurer, chair, and Matt. Heather Seconds. Motions Passes.

XIV. Old Business-

A. Friday Enrichments (Combined with fundraisers)

- i. <https://www.thinkoutsideboxes.com/>
- ii. <https://ivy-kids.com/>

The boxes include lots of resources that are tied to a theme and a book that follows the state standards for the level. They come with everything that is necessary for the project.

6 month subscription for \$288 for a family.

- iii. Once-a-month gym movie night or another activity as an ASC fundraiser
- iv. Use concessions stand

Concerns for doing concessions and running activities when sports are traveling. The AD will be gone during this time and we are concerned about who will be in charge of watching the students and running everything. Previously it was outside people who wanted to do this as a ministry. It is a lot of work and the concern is that we do not have people available to chaperone. This needs to be worked out by whomever would like this to happen from start to finish.

Possibly this could be arranged through America-Core, but the way that it is arranged may not mesh with what we specifically want.

Other concerns: How will we be fundraising to purchase boxes for families?

This is not sustainable as we do not make \$288 on average for fundraisers. On average for concessions we only make around \$180.

We also have students who are in quite a bit of debt and we need to focus on how we can support students who are currently working on paying those debts back.

If some outside person would like to work out a way to make this sustainable that would be wonderful, but we as an ASC need to focus on helping our students to pay back their debt.

Possible Fundraising idea: Making wreaths to sell.

We need to get things together for sports that are coming up and helping students pay off debts for sports that are already over.

Associated costs should be included in the orientation for students and parents, but it is difficult to do that because the cost can vary a lot depending on where they travel and where they stay.

We should be sending out "invoices" to let parents and students know how much they owe when the sports end.

There may be resources for Native students, and children of Veterans that we could reach out and see what we can do to help those students with these expenses for extracurricular.

The treasurer needs to receive a report of expenses on trips and credits for fundraising.

Laura motions that we add to the next agenda in new business that we request a list of fundraising ideas from the Athletic Director. Heather seconds. Motion passes.

Laura motions that we use the forms provided that would be conduit between the district, ASC, and AD to list the sport and all the students that are on the roster. Lucette seconds. Motion passes.

B. 1st Quarter went by quickly! Instituted Wolverine Student of the Quarter.

Wolverine Student of the Quarter

- a) [Power Student Guidelines](#) and [Power Student Letter](#)
- b) Changed name to Wolverine Student (to prevent confusion)
- c) Advised not to include elementary thru middle school in scholarships, but could give WS of Year in K-8 an educational gift
- d) Keep the same money amounts? (\$800 for 9-12)
- e) What are they intended for? Keep the same?
- f) Where does money come from - 5% is skimmed off the top of ALL fundraisers

Previously, there will be a scholarship for only High school, but we would like to have a possible scholarship or educational opportunity for the elementary and middle school. We might want to make a list of possible educational prizes for the elementary and middle school. The scholarships are used only for education purposes and money does not go directly to the student, but is kept aside for them until they work through the school to have it applied to an educational opportunity.

Brandy motions that we all make a list of the top three Scholarship ideas for the options to apply for each bracket of Wolverine student to bring to the next meeting that meets our ASC guidelines. Loubeth seconds.

Motion passes.

Lists of ideas will be emailed to the secretary, Loubeth.

Loubeth motions to table this item B to the next meeting. Anthony Seconds. Motion passes.

Next ASC meeting December 8, 2021 at 4pm.

XV. Adjournment: Anthony Motions to adjourn at 5:50pm. Laura Seconds.

XVI. "After Meeting Workshop" starts.

A. Fundraiser Investigative Committee:

- a. Committee Volunteers: Aly, Tony, Heather, Loubeth, Brandy
- b. Reviewing Board Policy, ASC Handbook, and Coach's Handbook