

Browning Public Schools
Board Agenda Request
Meeting To Be Held: January 13, 2026



Recognition: Students Staff Parents
Information: Building Report Old Business Superintendent's Report
Action: Resignation Hiring Contract Service Agreements
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 Termination Legal Matters Other:
This action request pertains to Elementary (only) High School/District Wide

Date: 01/06/26

To: Rebecca Rappold
Superintendent of Schools **From:** Kellen Hall
Title: Athletic Director

Subject: Hiring: High School Club Sponsor 2025-2026

Description: Recommended Activities and Club Sponsor for High School; 2025-2026. We propose establishing an after-school Heavy Music Club at BHA two evenings per week to provide BPS students enrolled in the BHA/BHS collaborative HMS class with a safe, supportive space grounded in the arts. The program will cultivate a caring, creative community where students can look forward to positive evening activities, collaborate with friends, and explore new forms of self-expression. By engaging with heavy music and related art forms, students will practice healthy coping strategies for stress and emotional distress. Additionally, through our partnership with the Fire in the Mountains Festival, the club will introduce students to viable creative and technical career pathways within the music and events industries. Our request to Rebecca and the school board is to approve two club sponsors to facilitate the afterschool program. This program would occur 2 nights per week (Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-6pm). One club sponsor would facilitate each evening, for a grand total of four hours per week. The requested sponsors are:

- Colin Sibbernson; Heavy Music Club, \$258.00, Exp. 0
- Chris Lewis; Heavy Music Club, \$258.00, Exp. 0

Financial Impact: \$516.00 plus fringe & tax

Funding Sources: 226 60 710 3400 150

Attachment(s): Club description attached below

Superintendent Action: Approved Denied Deferred Initial & date: _____

Comments: _____

Board Action: N/A (Info) Approved Denied Tabled: _____

After-School Heavy Music Club Program @ Buffalo Hide Academy

Goals/Objectives: To create safety and protection for our BPS students in the following ways:

- Heavy Music Club will cultivate a caring, supportive arts community
- Having something to look forward to in the evenings
- Opportunities to be creative with friends
- Fostering new ways to cope with distress through artistic outlets
- Creating viable career pathways through partnership with FITM festival

Structure:

- Two evenings per week @ BHA (Tuesday and Thursday; 4-6 pm)
- Focus: playing music, accessing recording studio, creating art, editing video content/recording interviews, direct music instruction
- Expectations:
 - Once students enter the building, they stay (no in and out)
 - Safe space for all
 - Open to BHS/BHA students
 - Maintain organized structure but keep things relaxed and open (students can choose activities)
 - Regular BHA/BHS expectations apply
- Club Sponsors: 2 supervisors rotating for weekly coverage (one for studio, one for large room)
 - Colin Sibbernsen - BHS Social Studies Teacher
 - Chris Lewis - BHA Counselor

Major Projects (“The Big 4”):

1. MAPS Media Documentary
2. Zine Project with Michelle Stonecrow
3. Steve Von Till Drone Guitar/Field Recording Workshop
4. Toastie / High Country News Journalism Project (during HMS and at Festival)