

Browning Public Schools
Board Agenda Request
Meeting to Be Held: May 11, 2021



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

Date: 4/28/2021

To: **Corrina Hall Guardipee**
Superintendent

From: Everett Armstrong
Title: Athletic Director

Subject: 2020-2021 BHS Club & Sponsor

Description: In accordance with Board Policy #3532, the following Club/Sponsor is recommended for approval for the 2020/2021 School Year

- Badger-Two Medicine/ Miisinsskiisii'taa Năatoōkŷoōkāasii Society Club Sponsor Amy Andreas, (Exp. Credit: 0 yr)

Financial Impact: None-Volunteer

Funding Source (Budget/grant, etc.): N/A

Attachments: Club Goals/Objectives

Comments: _____

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

Badger-Two Medicine/Miisinsskiisis'íáa Náatoōk'yoōkāasii Society (Club Goals) 2020-2021

Advisor: Amy Conrey Andreas

Goals: (See Attached Overview for More Information)

Members of the Society will work to learn more about the cultural and environmental significance of the Badger-Two Medicine area while simultaneously working to preserve the area for future generations through the passage of the [Badger-Two Medicine Protection Act](#)

Proposed Meeting Dates:

Students will meet during advisory, during special class presentations, and after school

Summary of Proposed Club Activities:

During the 2020-2021 school year, students will focus on learning about the history and cultural significance of the area, which is no small feat. We will invite speakers to the school from our community that are working to protect the Badger-Two Medicine. During late spring, summer, or early fall, students will have the opportunity to spend a day hiking through the Badger-Two Medicine and will visit one of the proposed well-sites.

Fundraising:

Online, crowdsource fundraising, concession if possible, t-shirt sales

BHS Miisinsskiisis'íáa Náatoōk'yoōkāasii Society/

Badger-Two Medicine Society Overview

All students at BHS have an Advisory class. Advisory serves as a homeroom or homebase for students. Students have the same Advisory teacher each year that will follow them through their experience at BHS. Each Advisory has been asked by BHS Administrators to form a society, based on traditional Blackfeet Societies. Each society is to develop a single, unique service purpose (or long-term service project) for our school community and the Blackfeet Nation as a whole. Ms. Andreas' Advisory has decided to form the Miisinsskiisis'íáaNáatoōk'yoōkāasii Society, which translates to the Badger-Two Medicine Society.

Goal of the Miisinsskiisis'íáa Náatoōk'yoōkāasii Society:

Members of the Society will work to learn more about the cultural and environmental significance of the Badger-Two Medicine area while simultaneously working to preserve the area for future generations through the passage of the [Badger-Two Medicine Protection Act](#).

What is the Badger-Two Medicine Protection Act?

The Badger-Two Medicine Protection Act is the result of several years of extensive conversations and collective effort by the Blackfeet Tribe, Glacier-Two Medicine Alliance, other conservationists, hunters and anglers, landowners, outfitters, recreationists, and other tribal and non-tribal residents throughout the region. This undertaking grew out of years of building relationships and shared understanding as the aforementioned groups have worked together to rid the Badger-Two Medicine of illegally issued oil

and gas leases. Most importantly, unlike past protective proposals floated for the region, this Act represents the Blackfeet Nation's vision for how they want their sacred lands managed. The Act has been endorsed by both the Tribal Business Council and traditional leaders as well as the Blackfoot Confederacy.

[Taken From: Badger-Two Medicine Protection Act Q&A/Glacier-Two Medicine Alliance/see glaciertwomedicine.org for more information](#)

Why Should Young People Be Involved In This Effort?

The youth of the Blackfeet Nation have the ideas, creativity and energy to shape a better world. As part of forming and strengthening their identities, Native youth have a strong desire to learn cultural and traditional practices. Their efforts to learn more about and protect the Badger-Two Medicine will do this while also exposing them to local, state, and national leaders and organizations working to create positive change and bring awareness to the sovereignty of all Native people. Additionally, When young people contribute their ideas and energy to addressing social issues, they begin to see themselves as capable leaders who can make important contributions to the lives of others. Youth who might otherwise feel academically or socially inferior to their peers realize that their unique strengths are needed to build a better world. The empowering effects of changemaking spill over into adulthood, as youth retain their motivation to help others and pursue their goals with confidence.

Where can I find more information about the Badger-Two Medicine Protection Act?

Links to useful sources:

[Badger-Two Medicine Protection Act Overview](#)

[Badger-Two Medicine Protection Act: Questions and Answers](#)

[Blackfeet Nation's Support for Why the Badger-Two Medicine Needs Protection](#)

[Blackfeet Tribe: Permanently Protect the Badger-Two Medicine](#)

[The Glacier-Two Medicine Alliance](#)

[Our Last Refuge: Local Film Highlighting the Cultural and Environmental Significance of Area](#)