

NMSHS Panther Parents Meeting
December 8, 2020
6pm-, virtual
Agenda/Minutes

In attendance:

- Jennie McLaughlin
- Elsa Abookire
- Amy Debendictis
- Emily Bloomfield
- April Nielsen
- Chuck Doudna
- Rick Elertson
- Kelly Hess
- Caitlin Strickland
- Jenny Nunemacher

- Principal's Report

- ***Career and Technical Education update***

- Our Pathways and 21/22 New Courses:

- Resource Conservation and Environmental Science Pathway
 - *Biology* replaced by: **Principles of Natural Resource Mgt**
 - New Elective: **Weather for Outdoor Professionals**
 - New Elective: **Snow Science**
 - **AP Environmental Science**
 - Computer Science Pathway
 - **AP Computer Science A/B** (not new course)
 - Business and Entrepreneurship Pathway
 - **Social Media for Business**
 - **School-based Enterprise Retail**
 - Outdoor Leadership Pathway
 - *P20* replaced by **Colorado 14ers**
 - *Health* replaced by **Wilderness First Aid and CPR**
 - New PE Elective: **Backpacking**
 - New PE Elective: **Rock Climbing**
 - Engineering, Architecture, and Construction Pathway
 - New Elective: **Construction 1**
 - New Elective: **Mechanical, Electrical, & Plumbing Systems**

- ***Parking Update:*** Eldora requested a copy of the Boulder County Transportation contract from this summer. It sounded like they were considering using our parking lot. More to come as I hear from them.
 - ***Open Enrollment:*** We've partnered with <https://www.school360tours.com/> to produce NEXT year's OE video. For this year each teacher created a video introduction. We're hosting a 6th grade virtual open house on Monday, Dec 14th from 4-5 pm and 9th grade from 5-6 pm. The teacher video goes out on Wednesday this week.

- Athletic Director's Report
 - High School Sports Update:
 - Here are the operational guidelines for now through December 14th.
 - Through December 14th..... NO out of season athletics or activities before or after school, on weekends or on non-school days...
 - This will be reviewed and UPDATED on December 15th
 - No one associated with the program may conduct events "on their" own - includes parents, assistants, volunteers and athletes
 - CHSAA announced the following changes in a letter from the Governor's Covid Committee. These changes impact the remaining sports seasons and you can see the impact in the dates below:
 - Season B: Boys & Girls Basketball, Boys & Girls Skiing
 - First Practice: 1/25
 - Contest dates: 2/1-3/20
 - Season C: Boys Soccer, Girls Volleyball
 - First Practice: 3/15
 - Contest Dates: 3/22-5/8
 - Season D: Track & Field, Girls Soccer
 - First Practice: 5/3
 - Contest Dates: 5/10-6/26
 - Middle School
 - At this time there are no updates about middle school sports
 - Transportation is prohibited
 - Can we add some workouts for all the kids, not just the ones who are doing official sports?
 - Rick: Ask the PE teachers if they can do this?
 - Can sports coaches make their workouts open, even if the kids aren't doing the team? Maybe add workout plans or pre-recorded videos to a Google Classroom for kids to access if they want.
 - And maybe other BVSD sports programs have content we can share too.
 - Chuck said there is something called eSports which is a video based strategic gaming platform that some recruiters are using.
- Treasurer's report
 - Mark wasn't able to attend.
 - We owe insurance payment to CO PTA
- Teacher grant requests
 - Finally tracked down the application BHS uses...
 - https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSemyjycOSIbM23fueqQhBtp_dQeLe_p5k3I4mloUpnksr8H2tQ/viewform
 - Discussion points
 - When should grants be submitted by?
 - When will funds be distributed? Do we start next school year?
 - Will we offer matching funds on all requests, or perhaps just over certain dollar amounts?

- Should department leads prioritize requests for their department?
 - How much should we spend and how much should we keep in the account?
 - Maximum individual grant request
 - How will we prioritize requests that benefit the most students?
 - Need to determine our annual income for future grants - Eldora winter/spring break parking (2021-2022), summer HESSIE parking, corporate sponsors, another individual donor campaign?, community fundraiser?
 - Timing of funds availability from Eldora Parking is unconfirmed.
 - Depends on whether Boulder County makes the Eldora employees park off site this year or not.
 - Rick will ask Eldora to agree to pay ahead of the season, rather than at the end.
 - Would be great to announce the program in the spring, which gives the teachers the summer to prepare their requests for application in August.
 - If we can get funds paid this year, then we can plan to start the program in 2021-22.
 - Let's plan to keep working on the program structure this year so we can document the rules and announce it in the spring.
 - Let's emphasize that the applications should aim to serve larger groups of students.
 - Does new CTE start up need anything that we could use current funds for?
 - No, the Perkins grants announced at the last meeting (\$80k) is covering this.
- Misc
 - EF Travel (Rick asked that this topic stay on this month)
 - Student Travel should not be run through the school as a school sponsored trip.
 - The travel will be considered private travel.
 - Travel groups can use the school to meet and plan.
 - The teachers organizing this are looking to use a different travel tour agency instead of EF.
 - For 2022, when traveling is open again, the plan is to do the EF DC and/or Europe trip in order to use the vouchers. The DC trip will still be primarily for middle school students, but those with EF vouchers in HS can join the DC trip..
- Old Business
 - Colorado RISE (Response Innovation, and Student Equity) Education Fund - Rick looked into this - the district is already working on this grant; this is their response: "I'm working on this grant as we speak -- it will be a district-wide program for middle and high schoolers, providing academic tutoring with some SEL and coaching in executive functioning, focused on kids who have fallen behind. We'll be aiming to hire teachers to do the tutoring. Nederland will definitely be included. We're asking for a lot of money, to extend the work for two years. You'll get news about this (assuming we get a grant) through your Area Network MTSS staff."
- PTA
 - Meetings will be the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 6pm. Until further notice all meetings will be virtual
 - <https://zoom.us/j/96213691050?pwd=NzNKVG9rSzUvSU55Q0w3UmZWZWM25pUT09>
 - Meeting ID: 962 1369 1050

- Passcode: s9bsv9
- PTA will cover membership fees for anyone who signs up by December 18 of this year.
- Need to submit insurance application - Jennie and Marc will work on this
- Will submit list of members by the 18th to COPTA.