

## FTU December 19, 2020 Minutes

Moderated by Mr. Bond

Faculty and Staff in attendance:

Dr. Gamber, Dr. Oray, Mrs. Hoyt, Ms. Kimball, Mrs. Townes

- ☐ Introduction of Families and Staff
- ☐ FTU will meet every 3rd Thursday of the month at 6pm
- ☐ FTU is having their own email created

### Questions and Concerns

- ☐ Will the driveway get directional arrows again
  - ☐ The space is leased and have to go through three departments in order to get it done: Labor, Supply, Order
- ☐ Speed Cameras are now installed and operational
- ☐ Progress Reports came out today
- ☐ Exams are scheduled for the end of January
- ☐ If you did not receive your child's progress report or 1st quarter report card, please contact Mr. Bond [mbond@bhsec.bard.edu](mailto:mbond@bhsec.bard.edu)
- ☐ What is the recourse for issues related to teacher/family communication.
  - ☐ Contact Mr. Bond
- ☐ Whether or not a student can retake or have extra work to make up a grade is at the teachers discretion but families are encouraged to meet with the instructor to discuss all the available options.
- ☐ Parents are reminded to check Infinite Campus and Google Classroom to stay abreast of their students' progress
- ☐ When a tardy is listed on the report card it could be for overall tardy and or tardy to a class
- ☐ Community service hour forms can be obtained via our office manager, Mrs. Mountcastle
- ☐ Bard is now a sanctioned school and a member of the NCAA.

### Passport Discussion: Dr. Gamber

- ☐ Dr. Gamber offered an apology for what the students experienced during the incident last week that led to school closing on Friday for the safety of the students.
- ☐ Reviewed the Passport process that was implemented on Monday
- ☐ The Passport rollout was in response to the schools efforts on reducing student absenteeism, the increasing high school failure rate, and the safety of our school
- ☐ SGA will be hosting a Town Hall on January 8th after school titled: School Year Resolution to give the students to discuss as a group the events that have occurred and the resulting Passport.
- ☐ It is the SGA's goal to host a Town Hall monthly so that students are no longer meeting as a reaction, but coming together proactively
- ☐ SGA will be sending a survey out to students to gauge climate feedback

- ☐ SGA will be hosting a Winter Showcase sometime after winter break
- ☐ The Counseling Team is implementing a structured Wellness Room for the students to use. More details to come

Families present would like to make sure that not only are their students mental health is being taken care of, but that also the mental health of Faculty, staff, and admin is being looked after as well.

- ☐ Parents suggest that a survey is sent out to the parent body to get an accurate resource list that parents may be able to offer
- ☐ Parents suggested having an off campus event that families can do together to build community outside of school. Suggestion: Current show at the BMA, Bowling, Roller Skating...
- ☐ Parents would like to know how we can get more parents/guardians to be involved/volunteer in the school. It was suggested that we reach out to the grandparents and retired family members of the school
- ☐ Parents would also like to see some type of healing event for the entire school to participate in. Bookmarking the end of ...and the renewing of...

Teacher Democracy Program: Dr. Oray

- ☐ Dr. Oray invited families to participate in a conversation concerning school climate and safety.
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