

**Minutes for James Bowie High School (JBHS)**  
**April 8, 2008**  
**Campus Advisory Council**

**Call to order:**  
7:34 Bill Reed

**Approval of minutes:**

Previous Minutes corrections: None  
Minutes approved as modified

**Introduction of Guests/ Citizen Comments:**

Rebecca Clark: Newly elected PTSA president for next year

**Principal's Report: Mr. Kane is recovering from shoulder surgery so Ms. Bauerle presented for him**

- Late Start Proposal from Kent Ewing was presented and discussed. A signature sheet indicating support for late start in general was distributed for signature.
- Cell phone policy change sheet from AISD was distributed. Ms. Bauerle pointed out that this includes not just cell phones but mp3 players etc. Some classes currently utilize mp3 players for downloading language sessions and other things. Bowie is not changing policy right now; they'll come up with new guidelines incorporating this for start of new year.
- General Supply Budget was distributed. AISD has reduced projected head count which means our budget has been reduced. Mr. Kane has compensated by pulling money from office in order to keep money to the teachers the same. Carolyn Merritt will draft letter from CAC for newsletter to inform everyone we can. Motion was made and seconded to accept budget with caveat that CAC believes projections are unrealistic.
- Bowie was recommended for accreditation and their suggestions were consistent with Bowie's current initiatives.

**Advisory (now Advisory Council) Update: Stephanie McGraw.**

- Advisory Meeting will be May 20 and will cover faculty assessment and planning for next year. CAC is welcome. It is in Overlook Building.

**High School Redesign**

- Next meeting Mr. Kane will discuss Bowie Template.

**CIP: Vicki Bauerle**

- Welcomes input on how to better service Gifted and Talented

**PTSA Report: Pam Porter**

- New officers selected at meeting last night
- Mr. Schneider presented at last night's meeting and fielded questions on need for South West High School
- End of School Breakfast and Teacher of the Year will be combined this year into a very nice event on June 5<sup>th</sup>.
- April 22 6:30pm Choir Room: Bull Dogs and Hotdogs Planning for Sat Sept 6<sup>th</sup> event
- Margery Warren presented artwork for cafeteria. Goal is to make it have a nicer feel and to remove the "gray". Martha commented that she is also continuing to work on columns in front of Library.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration is being planned and information will be in weekly newsletter.

**Counselor's Report:** Kathy Miller presented for Sandra Graham

- Bowie will graduate about 670 this year. Next largest is Austin high which is about 450. Others are around 375.
- Counselors try to attend award ceremonies with students who won in community to support student and to pay respects to community group sponsoring the award.
- Completing choice sheets early has allowed credit check/verification for underclassmen to occur
- Luncheons and college related activities all week long in college center
- April 8: Rising senior meeting
- April 29-May2: Bulk of TAKS tests
- AP tests first 2 full weeks in May
- Dual credit enrollment begins soon. First year students cannot register until May 1. Returning can register early
- Final Exams start May 30<sup>th</sup>.

**DAC Report:** Marco Bazan not present so Pascual Piedfort commented

- Pascal commented that they recently met at Perez middle school to see what they do. District focus is definitely on low performing schools.

**Old Business: School Bond Election**

- May 10: broken into 3 propositions
  - First 2 were from task force as directed by Board
  - Second one was created by the Board
- Carolyn Merritt explained that performing Arts Center bonds from 2004 Bond package were never used because there was no donor identified (and it is supposed to be funded by matching)
- There is no location pre-determined by Board for south high school. At this point proposition is just for approval or not.

**New Business:**

- Remaining Meetings: Thursday May 1, 2008
- CAC member survey, originated from downtown, hardcopy made available. Members were encouraged to fill them out and turn them in at meeting.
- Ms. Bauerle attended vertical team meeting which discussed new by new middle school. Bowie's boundary lines will not be affected. Middle school boundaries will definitely be affected by new middle school. Joe Silva (AISD) is running the boundary meetings. They will have a public meeting in May and will describe the process. Each contributing CAC will have 2 members on the committee. They will have summer to work on ideas and then have information to present to their groups. Originally they were going to have no public meetings until November but they realize now that is not the best course of action and will solicit public input.

**Announcements/ Concluding:**

- Ms Siwak commented that new Performing Arts Center in East Austin would greatly benefit that area.

**Meeting Adjourned by Bill Reed:**

8:39am

**Attendees:**

Vickie Bauerle  
Becca Clark  
Adrian Gonzalez  
Dean Goodnight  
Ray Grasshoff  
Toni Guckert  
Cyndi Harrison  
Ann-Marie Hutcheson  
Stephanie McGraw  
Jenna Kromann  
Martha Anne Kuntz  
Nancy McCarthy  
Stephanie McGraw  
Pat Mendoza  
Carolyn Merrit  
Kathy Miller  
Ruth Narvaiz  
Pascual Piedfort  
Pam Porter  
William Reed  
Bill Sheftall  
Ewa Siwak  
Carrie Turlington  
Margery Warren