

JAMES BOWIE HIGH SCHOOL  
CAMPUS ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES  
October 7, 2008

Members in Attendance: Tyler Gill, Steve Kane, Bill Sheftall, Pascual Piedfort, Ann Marie Hutcheson, Carrie Turlington, Pam Porter, Cyndi Harrison, Rebecca Clark, Margery Warren, Nancy McCarthy, Steve Wand, Kathryn Miller, Patricia Mendoza, Carolyn Merritt, Dean Goodnight, William Reed, Ray Grasshoff, Andrea Ramirez  
Guests: Wendy Campbell – Dr. Knolle’s office

1. Dean Goodnight called the meeting to order at 7:37 a.m.
2. The minutes from the September 2008 meeting were amended with spelling and grammar changes. The amended minutes were approved and will be posted.
3. Citizen’s Comment – Walt Reinhardt is Bowie’s representative to the task force discussing the boundary changes for the new Southwest Middle School. There are challenges and concerns. Anyone with concerns and interest need to contact him. Bill Sheftall read a letter regarding the honor guard Marines at the Bowie/Westlake football game. The Westlake letter writer had nothing but the highest regard for Bowie’s reaction to the introduction of the honor guards as graduates of both Westlake and Bowie High Schools.
4. Principal’s Report – Mr. Kane reported on the Campus Improvement Plan that will be submitted for Bowie High School for the 2008-2009 school year. He said that the CIP was designed by each department’s goals and objectives. Signatures for the CIP need to be received at the end of today’s meeting. Mr. Kane also stated that Gradespeed will be “rolled out” at Bowie on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Letters will be sent to parents notifying of this event and PIN numbers will be included. Students in the same family will each get different PIN numbers. Gradespeed will be in place for parents to review grades only. E-mail directly to the teacher is not possible yet from Gradespeed. Mr. Kane cautioned that talking to your student about their grades is step one. Step two would be to go to the teacher – not the other way around. Kudos to the Bowie Band winning the Capital City Marching Festival. The next competition is at Westlake High school on October 10<sup>th</sup>. Margery Warren discussed the new cafeteria beautification involving senior art students. They presented a plan of action to Mr. Kane and Ms. Warren. Murals of the four seasons will be painted on the walls – each one representing a year in the life of a Bowie student. The murals will be classic and timeless. Mr. Kane also mentioned the AISD proposition 1 on the November 4<sup>th</sup> ballot. Pam Porter said that the ACPTA had passed a resolution for the proposition and if it doesn’t pass, there will be no pay raise for district employees. .
5. Advisory Report – Mr. Kane reported for Ms. McGraw that the next “big event” for Advisory will be Club Day on October 30<sup>th</sup>. Bowie has over 50 student clubs.
6. CIP – Mr. Kane reviewed the CIP as well as scores from groups and sub-groups at Bowie High School. The most significant change from last year CIP is the implementation of more programming for at risk students. The target of the CIP is to become an exemplary campus. Concerns were discussed that the CAC body did not have an opportunity to participate in a follow up for the CIP of 2007-2008 and that evaluation procedures were not in place. The CIP was reviewed internally by

the staff, but not by the CAC committee. Much of the discussion centered on how to check that the objectives are being met. It was decided that it would be on a calendar basis. However a committee from the CAC will formulate a procedure for checking the goals set out in the CIP. Another concern was the lack of notice of reviewing the CIP and the request to sign off on something that has not been reviewed in depth. By reviewing the goals each month, the CAC should have a better understanding of the needs to carry over in the following year. After discussion, Ray Grasshoff moved to accept the CIP as written. The motion passed.

7. Counselor's Report – Ms. Miller reported that October is a busy month for the counselors. They are having a 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade meeting on October 7<sup>th</sup>. The PSAT will be administered on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Shannon Duffy and the ADVANCE staff are working hard to enroll seniors at ACC and on College Connections. A new initiative is being implemented at the counselor's office. They are taking the most at-risk seniors and teaming up with an Assistant Principal. This group will meet every Monday in hopes of getting the students back on track. It will be expanded to the other grades. Improved graduation rates are the goal of this initiative.
8. PTSA report – Becca Clark stated that the PTSA has purchased the wheelchair requested by the nurses' office. We have exceeded our membership from last year. The newsletter deadline is October 15<sup>th</sup>. The next hospitality event is October 24<sup>th</sup>.
10. DAC – Pascual Piedfort reported that the last meeting was a planning event on the goals of the DAC. The DAC would like to be a pro-active body instead of a reactive body – concentrating just on emergency items given to the DAC by the district.
11. The remaining agenda items were tabled by Dean Goodnight due to lack of time. Cyndi Harrison motioned for adjournment. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pam Porter  
Secretary