

# School Counseling Program – Advisory Council

## Meeting Minutes November 27, 2017

### Mission Statement:

Greybull Public Schools' Counseling Program promotes college and career readiness for all students through delivery of and access to a comprehensive school counseling program, which is preventative in nature and focuses on collaborating with all stakeholders to help students from all backgrounds overcome barriers to become productive and contributing citizens.

Attendance: (10 RSVP)

Scharen Collingwood

Barry Bryant

Brett Suiter

Michaela Williams

Jeff Sukut

Sara Schlattmann

Joel Rogers

Sarah Zeller

Cheryl Hunt

Call to Order 4:05

- Purpose of the Counseling Advisory Council (Scharen)
  - “An advisory council is a representative group of stakeholders selected to review and advise on the implementation of the school counseling program. The council meets at least twice a year and maintains an agenda and minutes for each meeting.” -ASCA National Model, Third Edition
  - Advisory councils assist school counselors by:
    - Advising on program goals
    - Reviewing program results
    - Making recommendations about the school counseling program
    - Advocating and engaging in public relations for the school counseling program
    - Advocating for funding and resources
- GPS School Counseling Goals 2017/2018
  - GES (Michaela)
    - By May 2018, students with 10 or more absences will decrease their absences by 25% from the first trimester to the second trimester.
    - By May 2018, the number of students referred for aggressive and disruptive behavior will decrease by 53 referrals in the 2016-2017 school year to 48 (or less) referrals by the end of the 2017-2018 school year.
    - By May 2018, students receiving free and reduced lunch will decrease the number of discipline referrals they receive by 10% from 35 referrals in the

2016-2017 school year to 31 (or less) referrals in the 2017-2018 school year.

- Trimester 1 data:
  - 10 suspensions total
  - 4 students (5 referrals) receiving free and reduced lunch
  - 1 student with 10 or more absences
  - How doing PBIS?
    - Expectations 1st lesson of year
    - Student of the Week & Student of the Month
  - Lunch time chess playing? As a reward--parents come in and teach how to play
- GMS (Scharen)
  - By the end of 4th quarter, students on the down list will increase the numbers of A's, B's, and C's earned by 12%.
    - 18 Students total (8 6th grade, 6 7th grade, 4 8th grade)
    - 6 F's & 26 D's
  - By July 2018, incoming 8th grade students eligible for free or reduced lunch (F&R students) will increase their enrollment in Algebra 1 from 4 F&R students to 10 F&R students.
    - 4 7th graders hit 235 or better in the spring
    - Planning meetings in the next 2 weeks
  - By May 2018, GMS will be a Recognized ASCA Model Program.
    - Submitted Application 10/11/17
    - Will hear in January 2018
- Counseling Core Curriculum 2017/2018
  - GES (Michaela)
    - Second Step:
      - Skills for Learning
      - Bullying Prevention
      - Empathy
      - Emotion Management
      - Problem Solving
    - PBIS overview - safe, respectful, and responsible
    - Growth Mindset
      - New curriculum
    - Hathaway Scholarship Day - November 16th activities (3rd-5th)
      - Very positive response
    - Other:
      - Advocacy - survey results (staff/3rd-5th)

- Advocacy has been moved to Friday
    - First Trimester assembly was positive
  - GMS (Scharen)
    - SecondStep (New Online Curriculum for Next Year)
      - Bullying Prevention
      - Communication Skills
      - Emotion Management
      - Substance Abuse Prevention
      - We have good conversations at home about what happens in SecondStep at the middle school
    - Growth Mindset
    - Career Exploration--possible career fair
    - Hathaway Scholarship
      - 8th Grade in Spring
    - Modifying Schedule
      - Move away from Friday PE into core classes
- Small Groups
  - GES (Michaela)
    - Trimester 1
      - 3rd grade friendship group
        - 5 students for 6 weeks
        - Extended to 8 weeks
  - GMS (Scharen)
    - Quarter 1
      - 1 boys' friendship group
        - 4 students for 6 weeks
      - 1 girls' friendship group
        - 7 students for 6 weeks
      - 1 conflict resolution group
        - 4 students for 6 weeks
    - Quarter 2
      - 1 anger management skills group
        - 6 students for 6 weeks
      - 1 social skills group
        - 4 students for 6 weeks
    - Learning lunches
      - WIN
        - My student really benefits from this class--high achiever without a lot of time are really benefitting too
          - It has helped at home too

- Teaching kids specific academic skills when they need them
  - Teachers are available because they are on prep
  - Wyoming Congressional Award
    - 1 9th grader close to qualifying for bronze
    - 1 9th grader asking to sign up
    - 3 8th
    - Peer in Powell
- GHS (Jeff Sukut)
  - Academic Success has dramatically reduced down list
    - Volleyball team didn't have a student on the down list once all season
    - Reported Positive feedback from kids
  - Working With 5-6 students at risk of not graduating
  - Wyoming Challenge Academy student kicked out & back at GHS
  - Gear Up
  - Junior Interviews in the Spring
  - 70% seniors going to college as of right now
  - Developing working relationship with UW
  - Bullying--few reports of bullying but a lot happening on social media
  - 2 students will get Trustees scholarship to UW--last year 2 also
  - Are we tracking kids going to college and needing remedial classes?
    - Offering remedial math at HS level so they don't have to pay in college
  - What are you doing with suicide prevention b/c we have 2 attempts
  - Boys State participants automatically get \$500 scholarship
- Input from Stakeholders
  - What are the most beneficial services we provide?
  - What topics do you see a need for school counselors to cover this year?
    - Suicide Prevention--QPR where are we and what are we doing?
      - Staff and students trained at GMS
      - GES staff are trained
      - GHS staff are trained
      - Teachers are satisfied with the training
    - Anxiety and ADHD training for the district
      - Admin Coordinate with counselors to provide training or find someone to come in and speak
    - How effective is our outside counseling? Think about and discuss next time?
      - How much sharing goes on between school counselors and outside counselors?
    - Present at a board meeting about the congressional award
    - WIN program to help Title 1 teachers at GES work with kids or Why Try

- Love and Logic - Fall 2017
  - 12 participants
    - Participants also brought their significant others
    - Reaching out to MOPS in Basin increased participation
  - Daycare asked for textbook to use with kids

Dismissed: 5:06 PM