

Brown County Schools Business Advisory Council Minutes February 20, 2018

Jim Frazier, the Brown County Educational Service Center Superintendent called the meeting to order. Minutes were read and approved from the last meeting. Jim Holden moved to approve and Brian Faught 2nd. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Becky Cropper, the 40 Developmental Asset Coordinator presented about the 40 Developmental Asset © process that has been implemented for the last five years in the Brown County Schools.

The Bylaws were reviewed.

New Business:

Becky Cropper was elected to serve as Secretary for the council for the next year.

Don Rabold, Safety Coordinator for the Brown County Schools presented on current strategies that are being implemented in the local districts. Brown County has been on the forefront of the process to train district personnel about safety procedures and district safety plan. A future meeting will be held with superintendents and local governmental officials.

Communication/Information and Data:

The chair led a discussion with the business partners regarding working relationships between businesses and education.

Ideas that were generated:

1. "Speed mentoring" where students meet with businesses in a round robin fashion.
2. Survey with businesses on employee readiness skills. Contact will be made with OSU Extension regarding the Business and Retention Program. A survey will be created in partnership with the Chamber to ascertain skills, and future job needs. The Clermont County Chamber will be asked for survey instruments.
3. Job shadowing events where students would be on site at local businesses.
4. Job fair/business fair
5. Mentoring in the local schools to continue with the Community Connectors Grant.
6. The creation of a county slogan to use as a brand for the Chamber, businesses and tourism. (The Ripley School System has a video production team)
7. The Chamber is creating a Travel and Tourism Committee which has the potential to develop a marketing plan.

Reports from the local districts in attendance:

Ripley Union Huntington Lewis will be offering a senior seminar in the academic year 2018-2019. The seminar will aid students in developing career portfolios, college applications, college fairs and will include business collaboration in helping students prepare for their futures.9015

Georgetown Village Exempted Schools is partnering with Stark Community College on a dual credit program that is focusing on the Ohio Means Job-Readiness Seal.

Western Brown is also engaging in the Stark Community College program and will be creating a transitional coach position in the next academic year.

Future Meeting Dates:

The next meeting will be May 15th at 4:00 p.m. at the Brown County Educational Service Center.

Other dates: August 21st, November 20th.

September 6th: Sam Quinones, the author of Dreamland will be in Brown County to do a presentation. A public event will be held in the evening.

Christopher Burrows moved to adjourn. Jon Linkous 2nd. Motion carried

Attendance:

Business/School Members:

Jon Linkous –Banking-GEVSD (BOE)

Jim Holden-Investment-FPLSD

Becky Cropper—Agriculture-EBSLD

Jina Bohl-retail-WBLSD

James Frazier

Brown County Chamber of Commerce

Jennifer Patrick-Health Care-WBLSD (BOE)

Brian Faught-Manufacturing-RULH

Ex-Officio Members k-12

Christopher Burrows (GEVSD)

James Wilkins (RULH)

Jeff Rowley (RULH)