

BVPAGE Meeting Minutes
May 5, 2013

Board Members: Lisa Nickel, Tracy Elford, Lisa Johnston
District Guests: Kristin Asquith,
14 Parent Attendees

1. Pictures were shown to the group that had been taken at the Robotics Share Fair held Friday April 26. 8x10 photos and letters from BVPAGE were given to every student who came to the photography area during the event. Approximately 80 students from 10 elementary schools attended the event at the CAPS building.
2. Summer Robotics Camp Update – some of our camp sessions are already full! We will need some volunteers to help direct students to the correct rooms in the morning and ensure everyone gets picked up in the afternoons. Please email Patty Logan at patty.d.logan@gmail.com if you can help with any of the sessions.
3. Kristin Asquith reported that Mathletics competitions were taking place the following week for elementary school students.
4. Parents relayed information regarding summer plans for their children. A lot of information was shared with recommendations, contact information, and fun things to do to prevent the 'summer slide' of academics. The group was also told of an area on the district website (under Gifted, and High School) that relates different community service opportunities.
5. Several parents voiced a request for a way to recommend books to/for our gifted students. Many ideas were discussed including a blog where students themselves could recommend books and magazines and also for parents to recommend useful books in regards to gifted issues. Research to follow!
6. Lisa Nickel asked the group their opinion on a survey from BVPAGE asking for suggestions on topics, meetings times, advocacy issues, meet n greets, etc. The group agreed that a survey would reach the most number of people.
7. Tracy Elford reported that the Curriculum & Instruction meeting discussed the preschool and Early Learning programs in the district. The new Early Childhood facility is being prepared for renovations. Tracy informed the BVPAGE group that the C&I team was asked their opinions on changes to the school calendar for the future: everything from early releases, late arrivals, length of vacations, etc.

Other board notes: Alicia Jeffcoat (Membership Chair) will be moving out of state. Cathryn Linney has stepped forward to be the building rep coordinator,

and both Karen Jordan and Christy Kelley stepped up as membership chair volunteers! Volunteer opportunities will be found for both!