

**Facility Committee
Meeting Minutes
Friday, February 19, 2016**

Present: Terry Beaver, Sarah Sullivan, John Carter, J.J. Lamb, Diane Neff

Absent: Kent Kultgen, Tina Huffsmith

Guests: Jon Rush, John McEwen

Mr. Beaver welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Mr. Lamb, principal at Bryant Elementary. This is Mr. Lamb's first year as a principal.

Mr. Lamb said the enrollment at Bryant school is 220 students. Because of the poverty level in the school the enrollment is ever changing. There are many homeless students who attend Bryant. The school is considered around 90-95% Free and Reduced so all students eat free. Students receive breakfast in the classroom.

The original foundation of the school was built in 1886. The new addition was done in 1977 and the gymnasium was built in 1973.

Mr. Lamb took the group to the basement which is where the Positive Behavioral Support (PBS) is located. These are students who have high struggles with behaviors and are brought here from other schools. There is 1 ½ FTE for PBS. The student capacity is 12 students. The district is lucky to have access to Intermountain and Shodair.

Bryant has MBI and CSCT.

Because the office is around the corner from the front door, Mr. Lamb nor his secretary can see who enters, so he installed a surveillance camera. This way they can see who enters the building. All other doors in the building remain locked.

There are two fifth grade classes and one fourth grade class. Next year there will be two fourth grade classes and one fifth grade class. The building currently has one empty classroom.

Bryant is considered a 2-2 school. The maximum number of students Bryant could hold would be 280 students.

The floor in the basement is a slab and is getting moisture therefore it is uneven and moving. The building has hot water heat.

Every Friday, students from Carroll College come in and perform reading diagnostics with the students. Helena College students volunteer at Bryant. U of M is hoping to start student teaching with Bryant.

Bryant has a nurse two days a week; three to four hours a day.

There will be 24 Bryant students (fourth graders) and four adults going to Yellowstone on a grant Bryant received.

The building is not ADA compliant. There isn't an elevator; just a lift. Ventilation was added in the third grade area last year. Once it was added, enrollment increased to 80%.

About 50% of the students at Bryant are eligible for busing. About ½ the student population walk.

The gymnasium is separate from the main building. The gym is also the lunchroom. The gymnasium recently received a new roof. In the past, they would have to do their holiday program three times, but in 2015 they did one at the HMS Auditorium. It was very well received.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m. The committee was scheduled to go to Warren but ran out of time. The next meeting is scheduled at Central (Lincoln Campus), but the date is to be determined.