

Indian Hills High School TASC Minutes

A TASC meeting was held on September 21st 2021. The following personnel were present:

Administration:

Dr. Gregory Vacca, Matt Bushta, Dan Guido

Committee Members:

Samantha Janiszak
Jill Fackelman

Carly Hausch
Michelle Patrickio

MaryAnn Kopp

Old Business:

1. Teacher Parking lot status.

The patch work was completed on Thursday 9/16

2. The Men's 400 Wing Bathroom is still not fixed and with the Faculty Room bathrooms not having the ability to lock, we have lost bathrooms available to teachers. There is one toilet not working and there is a smell that is detected when you walk into the bathroom.

Jeff said this weekend they would be working on it. Once the school is empty they can turn the water off and start.

New Business:

1. Students are able to scan into the all gender faculty bathroom in the 800 wing. Is there a way to make that only accessible to faculty keys? (I know at least one student didn't even lock it behind them during passing time). It's an even more serious issue now that we already have positive cases and students are in there without any ventilation.

There has been much investigation into this. From data that has been looked at, students cannot access the door unless it is ajar when they try and open it. Only faculty have ID access. Please make sure to close the door when you leave and if

you happen to see a student enter and/or leave that restroom please let me know and note the day and time. If you know who the student is that would be much appreciated.

2. New teacher faculty lounge

Can we get a lock on bathroom in new teacher lounge?

They are working on it. There is a note on door saying it is coming soon.

Can they activate teacher Id access to the outside door leading into the lounge?

Charlie said: The new swipe on the faculty room door (105) is not complete yet. Still some finishing work to do and then programming. That was an October wish list item so we are ahead of schedule.

3. Should the vents in our classrooms be running all day? Some rooms in the 100 wing are not running at all

Yes, they should. This was fixed on Friday 9/17

4. Is there an update on the broken window in room 517?

This was fixed on Friday, 9/17

5. Access to 100 wing...id no longer works

Charlie said: Faculty are programmed for that door. You have to push the door in and then pull. I have had it serviced several times. That all said, I will check it out again.

6. What is the protocol we should follow on BTSN when and if a parent walks in without a mask?

BTSN is now virtual for parents. WOOHOO!!!

7. In the 500 & 600 wing: window shades were sitting on student desks on the first day of school and teachers had to move them. Is there a timeline for when the windows should be finished? Timeline on screens being installed? Shades allow

light in and make it difficult to see what is being projected on the board. Can we get opaque shades instead?

The timeline of the windows being completed has not been determined yet. Since it is an outside contractor and they are doing it little by little we should continue to see things being completed each week. The contractors were spotted in the building today.

8. Old Faculty Room Bathrooms

Can faculty still use those during the day even though the faculty room was converted into the senior commons?

Dan Guido said yes, absolutely. Administration is looking into putting a turn lock on the doors. Students in the senior commons should be using the restrooms outside in the hallway on both sides of the cafeteria.

9. During period 4 the lunch line is very chaotic and down the hall. Some students have said they do not have enough time to eat. Apparently, there is now only one line instead of the two they used to have. Can something be done about this?

It seems to be the hot lunch line. Matt and Dan were not aware of this and so they will go in during that period and speak to Maria to see if things can be modified.

10. Would it be possible to bring up a different morning sign-in procedure rather than navigating the most populated hall in the building during morning rush, crowding into a narrow space and handling a communal pen. Could the Share 911 Wellness check-in be reconfigured as a building check-in? Or, could there be a shared Google Doc with the same sign-in grid as the paper form currently used in the main office?

The main purpose of the central office sign in for faculty is to check for coverages that Jeanette assigns for the day (especially period 1) and to check for important information in your mailbox. At this time, administration feels this should remain.

11. What should a teacher do if a parent berates them about the curriculum at BTSN?

Greg said to not engage in any way in that type of conversation and to stay professional. Teachers do not have to endure being berated or demeaned and if this

happens, you should let the person know that they can set up a meeting with you and a supervisor to review curriculum questions, but that Back to School Night is not the time for those discussions. If it persists, the teacher can remove that person from the presentation.

12. 400 wing Faculty women's bathroom far left stall

There is a slow leak and the custodians are aware. An out of order sign may appear until a plumber can come in to fix the problem.

Approved by: Carly Hausch, IHHS Building Representative & TASC Chairperson and Michelle Patrickio, IHHS Assistant Building Representative & Assistant TASC Chairperson.

cc: Ms. Filomena LaForgia, BOE President
Mr. Anthony Riscica, Interim Superintendent
Ms. Staci Anson, President, RIHEA
Ms. Michelle Clancy, Vice President, RIHEA
Ms. Kristen Petersen, RHS Building Representative