

## Brecksville-Broadview Heights PSO Council Meeting Minutes

**May 2, 2019**

PSO Council is a meeting for sharing information and learning about our schools and our district. We encourage you to engage in responsible conversation and healthy discussion on issues to promote better education for children. Personal agendas are not welcome at Council. We will gladly direct you to the appropriate resource to help you after the meeting. Please respect each person’s time on the agenda.

PSO President Phil Shipman called the meeting to order at 9:38 am. The pledge of allegiance was said. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am.

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| **Welcome** |  |
|  | **PSO COUNCIL OFFICERS** |
| **1st Vice President-**  **Denise Gawlik & Kerry Ely** | Present.  As PSO Council First Vice Presidents - We are installing the 2019-2020 PSO Council Officers - Co-Presidents Khara Mack and Emily Woods, 1st VP Petra Laszlo; 2nd VP Christy Crouch; Treasurer Dawn Papadatos; Recording Secretary Michelle Banks; and Communications Secretaries Lauren Champ and Teri Ferricci.  Thank you to everyone who served the last two years and good luck to our new officers. Coffee and pastries are in the back. |
| **2nd Vice President- Jill Gerber** | Present. No report. |
| **Recording Secretary-**  **Michelle Banks** | Present. No report. |
| **Corresponding Secretary-**  **Gloria Joseph** | Not present. No report. |
| **Treasurer-**  **Kim Policarpo** | Present. Treasurer’s Reports given.  Cash at beginning of period 3/30/2019 13,253.59 (a)  Deposits (b)  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Total Deposits  Disbursements (c)  April 2019 QuickBooks Online 140.00  Total Disbursements (140.00)  Cash at end of period 4/30/2019 13,113.59 (d) |
| **President-**  **Phillip Shipman** | Present.  Friend of the PSOs were recognized:  Central – Asst. Principal Bryan Bedford  Middle school – Sarah Durham  PSO Council – Jean Kulick  Hilton – Kathy D’Agostino  Chippewa – Makya Weaver  Highland – Eva O’Mara  The new PSO Council Board was sworn in.  Discussion of proposed By-laws change regarding membership eligibility:  PROPOSED: **Membership**: Membership in units of this PSO are open to all parents and/or legal guardians, step-parents, grandparents of students currently enrolled in the Brecksville-Broadview Heights school system, and the BBHCSD staff members. Additionally, at the discretion of a unit’s Executive Board, membership is open to a care-giver involved in the daily life of a student enrolled in the Brecksville-Broadview Heights school system or others deemed appropriate. Membership shall be made available without regard to race, color, creed, gender or national origin. Each unit shall conduct an annual enrollment of members, but may admit persons to membership at any time.  Motion to approve by Denise Gawlik, seconded by Jill Gerber. Passed unanimously. |
| **Board of Education-**  **Fred Peterson** | Present.  Gave Board report. Meeting went till 10:15p last night.   * Many students in the District were recognized at the meeting. * Next Board Meeting in May the Board will receive the update on the 5 year plan. * On-going discussions of transportation needs in the District, however, the Board did approve the purchase of 5 buses for next year. * On-going discussion of the bell times for the schools. Small change next school year. * Pre-K lease at Blossom for 2 years was approved. * TIF Resolution was approved with Brecksville and Valor Acres Development Group. TIF is tax increment financing. The school district will receive approximately $500,000 in tax monies up front. This is the first time the school will receive tax benefits from the property which has been federal land for many years. |
| **Superintendent- Joelle Magyar** | Present.  The monies raised from the TIF monies are going toward the replacement and building of new tennis courts on City of Brecksville property. Brecksville will add 2 new tennis courts to the existing 3 tennis courts behind the city softball fields. They want to move the location due to the drainage issues where the current tennis courts are on school grounds. The estimates they received to replace them at the school were $536,000. Will be cheaper to move them to city property.  HS Robotics teams recognized for their accomplishments this year.  Surveys out to parents regarding bell schedule and safe schools.  Bell time – There is a proposed bell schedule that has been sent out to the various unions and boards within the district. The elementary schools’ unions have approved adding 15 minutes to their day. The proposal is now with the transportation department. If they approve, it will go to the Board of Ed. for final approval. This is a small, incremental change in the bell time. Not the final bell time that will occur in 2 years when the new K-5 building is built. At that time, there will be 2 dismissals. One for the K-5 building and one for the MS and HS. The time kids will spend on their bus routes won’t change. The only change will be the start/end times at the schools.  Central School closing events are being planned. Home Days the District will have a cook out at the school and tours of the school before it closes.  The floor plan of the new K-5 building is not a part of the public documents for security reasons. If you ask, you can view it but you cannot take pictures of it and it won’t be made public.  Joelle will be attending the 8th grade Washington DC trip this year on Bus #4 with Principal Rings. She’s looking forward to the experience.  The requests of the Highland parents to keep a secretary at their school has been heard but the District has to make decisions for the whole district, not just for one school. |
| **Director of Human Resources-**  **Brian Wycuff** | Not present. No report. |
| **Treasurer/CFO-**  **Jeff Hall** | Not present. No report. |
| **Director of Business Services –**  **Chris Coad** | Not present. No report. |
| **Director of Curriculum and Instruction-**  **Dave Martin** | Present.  · May is Mental Health Awareness month. Dr. Martin passed out a flyer regarding the CASEL program which deals social and emotional learning. It’s a program that is being rolled out in the District.  · Uphill / Downhill Race – Schools Foundation – June 1  · SEL (Social Emotional Learning Competencies handout)  · Lubrizol visit (on April 8) with Superintendent Magyar. They are working on building a relationship with Lubrizol in the areas of STEM to benefit kids in the District who have an interest.  · Testing update  · Meeting regarding 4th graders next year – Friday (5/3) to make their year more meaningful. |
| **Coordinator of Community Relations-**  **JC Power, Inc.** | Not present. No report. |
| **Director of Pupil Services-**  **Gina Symsek** | Not present. No report. |
| **CAPA Coordinator- Kelly Lazar** | Not present. No report. |
| **High School-**  **Steven Ast - Principal** | Present.  **Testing (State and AP)**  BBHHS students are wrapping up their state testing with Algebra 1 and Geometry End of Course (EOC) exams today and Friday.  Government students will take their EOC next Tuesday May 7th. AP testing is taking place Monday May 6th - Friday May 17th.  **Spring Concert Season**  Band kicks off the spring concert season tonight.  Orchestra has a fun Star Wars themed concert with their All City Orchestra concert this Saturday, “May the 4th be with you”.  The spring Choir concert is Thursday May 9th. These are great events to come and celebrate with family and friends. A big thank you to all of the parents that help with each of these amazing programs.  **Celebrations**   * Robotics team for received the Excellence Award at Worlds * The BBHHS Envirothon Team qualified for states in June * Mark Yaseen and Austin Vollweiler competed in the National Chemistry Olympiad   **International Club’s Culture Night**  The annual Culture Night charity event is hosted by International Club. It’s from 5-7 Friday May 3rd in the BBHHS cafeteria. The admission fee is $5, and the proceeds raised go to the international charity organization Soles for Souls, which helps to provide shoes to those living in poverty. There will be food and displays from countries around the world as well as musical performances from BBHHS students.  **Upcoming Dates**   * May 11th is Riversweep * May 21st is the Regatta * May 21st Senior Awards Night * May 25th Commencement |
| **HS PSO**  **Megan Sarfi** | Present.   * Volunteers needed at the HS for the Rube Goldberg event happening tomorrow. Also, need hall monitors for AP testing next 2 weeks. One hour of your time really helps. * The PSO purchased 4 new filtered water fountains this year thru their fundraising efforts. Water bottles are being made available for purchase that can have your student’s name on them. This is to reduce down the amount of plastic water bottles purchased every day at the high school. It will be added to the supply list next year. * A committee will be formed next year to address the needs of the Senior Lounge each year, i.e. furniture, décor, etc. because it wears out each year. There will be a line item added to the budget going forward in the amount of $300 - $500 to pay for the updates each year. |
| **Middle School Principal- Todd Rings** | Present.  It is a busy time of year at the Middle School as we enter into the last month of the school year.  We are finishing up our testing cycles this week and next. We will be leaving with our 8th graders for a tour of Washington, D.C., next week.  It is a great opportunity for our 8th graders to see the national monuments and other great sites. We will also be given a tour of the Capitol building including the opportunity to sit on the House floor, courtesy of Congressman David Joyce.  Not many folks are invited in and get to sit on the actual floor of the U.S. Congress.  It is that time of year where the Middle School community comes together to help advocate for a cause! Administrators, staff, students and community work on one goal - to help accelerate a cure for pediatric cancer, and 100% money donated will go directly to our Kick-It campaign. Our school "Kicks-It" for students in our district: Ricky P, Luke B, Lauren R, Sylvia S, Lauren B, Brent R and any other student or family affected by pediatric cancer.  Over the course of the next month you will see many lemonade stands, car washes, bake sales in the community where kids are finding ways to help advocate for this event. Kids selling homemade items in school must show vendor ID to sell anything at school. (See Mr. Graver for required vendor license). We have the following already planned:  **Order your Kick-It T-shirt!** Deadline for orders is no later than May 10. Eighth graders need to turn in their orders ASAP before leaving for Washington, D.C. Turn in orders to your homeroom teacher ASAP. [**CLICK HERE**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001tET55taz_wg7aU0pSF2pohAeXsZBhLsrDzH9JRWKMYWVL-hf10dlGHWOGxGkmXHPYixZPXjNhxcRtsV2OnJewIGy0hR8XEiYDIdA88nn9asOzMo02cMguBIszDi_qwjHNU2fCIiuJZbZ70Iw96Ew1_54N9iJSqA5Jq5BaDfl4p51WaZ_dGH1buM5mE8Oq9SY4BleZYmYpxtnlziV9_6dbCxlt9znE_TXhPeD6JgezKs=&c=4ZAMYngj1A91bdwRLNBGRbdVWu6orauzRC9jVKlclQOEZBKI6wnXlw==&ch=LdPeC0-cEVAi0BXT36LD-fCtKeUKupLmiatdiAFYpyiDJ1FljiFRnw==) for order form.  **Sponsorship Opportunity:** Does your company want to be on the back of the Kick-It shirt? [**CLICK HERE**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001tET55taz_wg7aU0pSF2pohAeXsZBhLsrDzH9JRWKMYWVL-hf10dlGHWOGxGkmXHPv-V7V69hxj3JILOmJkuE5pE09JrJYbaWI1YbPWuAjZ8EzFvS_GMhdB_lXMNDsG1lZrMJzjXvxXFlnVnRUO5QovvDQfQ9CPvQo0PoXZ3LARrUrdl4YSNM6WBZVFOP6vaIiy17SQ0PB-9mYvgDxNgwXe2JIt7hjRbfVMX5Tx74qGU=&c=4ZAMYngj1A91bdwRLNBGRbdVWu6orauzRC9jVKlclQOEZBKI6wnXlw==&ch=LdPeC0-cEVAi0BXT36LD-fCtKeUKupLmiatdiAFYpyiDJ1FljiFRnw==) for sponsorship form or email Mrs. Schneider (schneiderm@bbhcsd.org). Forms are due no later than May 14th.  **A Nekter Juice Bar fundraiser** is Friday, May 17th from 3 pm to 7 pm. Twenty percent of the proceeds will go back to our Kick-It campaign. [**CLICK HERE**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001tET55taz_wg7aU0pSF2pohAeXsZBhLsrDzH9JRWKMYWVL-hf10dlGHWOGxGkmXHPjwOvwLBRr8ZwyihSmuY1aTg5rMCTQub3RqVwCxPjzvLKgTRu7b3Qz2s7zBS0PALG30wF7iBM7Q2CUH2M1H3tINdmgDy-BTJ9FX2kDFvV23jRA8zh7jCzvEPHqHw19B3kZc1V86qC3kzzJkz5kyTRy9r_ounBLC53EtYrQNbQvQA=&c=4ZAMYngj1A91bdwRLNBGRbdVWu6orauzRC9jVKlclQOEZBKI6wnXlw==&ch=LdPeC0-cEVAi0BXT36LD-fCtKeUKupLmiatdiAFYpyiDJ1FljiFRnw==) for flyer to show at checkout.  **The Little Superheroes Party** (formerly Pirate/Princess) will be May 21st from 5 pm to 7 pm. Middle School students put on a party for younger children. [**CLICK HERE**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001tET55taz_wg7aU0pSF2pohAeXsZBhLsrDzH9JRWKMYWVL-hf10dlGHWOGxGkmXHPhwY5nxzRjjMFBakYzbkDJuFjej8hTEGtxan7DNRSCmv8JwxH0YsLq2xCCLubd1GfXYEmQm6yIsAANmzYjEFbM38b6_Z4EE9t7dSmWUIgxHnt5oZsSPREHYcvg9yjBCVIRol8YbK_R0n_NgM9bz9jgfXIdXMldoFTh4mkUIbsIQg=&c=4ZAMYngj1A91bdwRLNBGRbdVWu6orauzRC9jVKlclQOEZBKI6wnXlw==&ch=LdPeC0-cEVAi0BXT36LD-fCtKeUKupLmiatdiAFYpyiDJ1FljiFRnw==) for the invitation and [**CLICK HERE**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001tET55taz_wg7aU0pSF2pohAeXsZBhLsrDzH9JRWKMYWVL-hf10dlGHWOGxGkmXHP_k4B1VnONCHtECnONSrwPCwc2LWbGJzP7demkSJ2xNEBmPdjlE4Jkn1jpcADrpSfWizIXVcCxU_sxXiwfyNHRmdoGyb7MYxwwWuL5Oy2F_nbZPiZ_fzW3bTYr-1BDIdhSz4SzIjD2UvJ6mdfnkWTYMVJr5ugsfK0CyZEGihw-owx2GSKVpPAgH58nEqMgaaqa5zvcv0iHjU=&c=4ZAMYngj1A91bdwRLNBGRbdVWu6orauzRC9jVKlclQOEZBKI6wnXlw==&ch=LdPeC0-cEVAi0BXT36LD-fCtKeUKupLmiatdiAFYpyiDJ1FljiFRnw==) to register to attend.  **Kuttin' it for Kick-It and KickBALD** will be May 20th. Carlo's Barbershop will shave heads and Chatterbox will cut girls hair to donate. For permission slips [**CLICK HERE**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001tET55taz_wg7aU0pSF2pohAeXsZBhLsrDzH9JRWKMYWVL-hf10dlGHWOGxGkmXHPItbnkCQ1RHsCM1snO4X4EYj5r0P43Dni_j8mwKtCvoXc_TPavFswZtBcoFm3I8C5sxH_cUyViYJja2Yxcl9n6Y8SIbbvMJk9b3Skv7GL-Tm768NTGg3FUjtBbTgQm_Zd2GZsZ39wBTnPs12VZg46qUfQbAye77SxPg_m6bcA7jk=&c=4ZAMYngj1A91bdwRLNBGRbdVWu6orauzRC9jVKlclQOEZBKI6wnXlw==&ch=LdPeC0-cEVAi0BXT36LD-fCtKeUKupLmiatdiAFYpyiDJ1FljiFRnw==) or pick one up during lunch period. Return from to the Guidance office.  **Raffle baskets**: Please feel free to donate to this cause - gift cards, gifts, etc welcome!  **The Dunk Tank and Carnival** will be May 24th. Students will be able to dunk multiple staff members and play carnival games! Bring money to participate in the fun  **The Staff and Student volleyball game** will be May 24th. More information coming.  **Food Trucks** will be available the last day of school.  **Direct donations** can be made on our team page by [**CLICKING HERE**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001tET55taz_wg7aU0pSF2pohAeXsZBhLsrDzH9JRWKMYWVL-hf10dlGHWOGxGkmXHPe1Lq7q3mZXAkjVx9OyITjs4GXbxfIh7SCyxHB5Lhm8Tv4gFYZkVxr3OQ88uFJdsI9ueGwG5w7aY1bDT_Vxx4DXwaof299_swk8iLrjntsPk=&c=4ZAMYngj1A91bdwRLNBGRbdVWu6orauzRC9jVKlclQOEZBKI6wnXlw==&ch=LdPeC0-cEVAi0BXT36LD-fCtKeUKupLmiatdiAFYpyiDJ1FljiFRnw==).  Up-to-date information may be found on the BBHMS PSO page or the Bees Kick-It Facebook page. Culmination of our event will be on the last day of school, playing kick ball games and celebrating our efforts! Let's KICK-IT!  May 13th at 7pm will be rising 6th graders meeting.  May 20th at 7pm will be rising 5th graders meeting. |
| **MS PSO-**  **Denise Gawlik**  **Kerry Ely** | Present.  Our 8th Grade Canteen was last Friday.  50 plus students attended and had a great time with the DJ and obstacle course.  Special shout out to Jackie Caputo who organized the event.  Staff Appreciation will be the week of May 13th.  There will be a lunch and several treats throughout the week.  Update on our Auditorium project for the year.  We spoke at last week's School Board meeting and received approval to approach donors and offer naming rights to the auditorium as a possible incentive for financing the project.  So far this year, we have received approximately $35,000 in donations.  This summer we will be working on applying for grants, sending out donor request letters to the surrounding community and a fundraising plan for next year. |
| **Central School Principal -**  **Colleen Toth** | Not present.Assistant Principal Bedford gave the Elementary Schools’ report.   * Memorial Day ceremony is scheduled for May 24th at 9:30 am * 5th graders will be taking a field trip to Hinkley Metro Parks * 4th graders will be taking a field trip to the Brecksville reservation * Please be on the lookout for permission slips for both trips * Rising 5th parent meeting is scheduled for May 20th at 7 pm at the middle school auditorium * Rising 6th grade parent meeting is scheduled for May 13th at 7 pm at the middle school auditorium * Students are encouraged to attend these meetings |
| **Central PSO-Dan Foley & Khara Mack** | Present.  Final Central PSO Meeting is Friday, May 3rd. They will vote to distribute their funds between the elementary schools.  Staff appreciation week coming up. |
| **Chippewa Principal-**  **Beverly Chambers** | Not present. Asst. Principal Bedford gave the Elementary Schools’ report.  Kindergarten screening will take place on 5/6 and 5/7.  Celebrating Earth Week.  Principal’s spotlight on students coming up.  5/22 – Breakfast to thank volunteers. |
| **Chippewa PSO-**  **Lauren Champ & Terri Ferricci** | Present.  Snow cone truck coming Friday, 5/3.  Last PSO Meeting will be at Petra Laslo’s house by the pool. They expect a big attendance at that event.  Mental Health workshops for parents will start next school year at their school. |
| **Highland Drive Principal-**  **Eva O’Mara** | Not present. Asst. Principal Bedford gave the Elementary Schools’ report.   * Highland is on the final lap-so hard to believe for all of us, I’m sure. * Our Earth Week experiences culminated with a visit from an educator from The Natural History Museum. He brought owls and amphibians for the students to see. * Our second grade music experience for the families was extremely successful with all the students demonstrating their abilities playing tunes on the ukulele. * By the time you hear this report, the third grade students will have completed the AIR math testing. They are enjoying their day in downtown Cleveland today by visiting Progressive Field and enjoying their time on Lolly the Trolly. * Tomorrow, our first graders will get to visit the Cleveland Zoo. * Our PSO is kind enough to celebrate teachers the week of May 6. This usually includes food, so I know everyone is looking forward to the treats and pampering. * Our Volunteer Brunch will take place on May 16. * Kindergarten Screening will take place on May 17 (Friday) and May 20 (Monday). * Finally on the 29th of May, Highland will again participate in the Junior Olympics followed in the afternoon with the end of the year class parties. * The final day of classes is May 30, when we will have our recognition assembly.   We all wish everyone a safe and exhilarating summer vacation. |
| **Highland PSO-**  **Sarah Beebe &**  **Sarah Schulz** | Present.  Highland’s Friend of the PSO is Eva O’Mara.  Staff appreciation will be week of May 6th.  Just completed their Art Show and Book Fair.  Gifts & Goals update. |
| **Hilton Principal-**  **Chris Hartland** | Present. Asst. Principal Bedford gave the Elementary Schools’ report.  Kindergarten screening will take place on 5/2 and 5/3. |
| **Hilton PSO-**  **Christy Crouch** | Present.  We had our final family STEM night in April which was a fun science based escape room challenge.  We are gearing up for staff appreciation week, as well as, field day, and all the other end of the year activities. |
| **Schools Foundation-**  **Britt Wigman/Janelle Henning** | Present.  BBHSF Uphill Downhill Run  The Brecksville-Broadview Heights Schools Foundation, in collaboration with school district and student leadership, is very excited to announce the first **Uphill Downhill Run on Saturday, June 1, 2019**. This fun, family-friendly run/walk is dedicated to raising awareness around mental health and its importance to our students. Runners/walkers of all ability levels are encouraged to participate. All funds raised by this event will go directly toward the BBHSCD mental health action plan. We hope to make this a yearly event and are deeply grateful for the generous support from the City of Brecksville, their City Services and Police Department, as well as the City of Broadview Heights.  [Click here](https://nam03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.bbhsf.org%2Fuphilldownhill&data=02%7C01%7C%7C7780648d5cef4f6eabda08d6cceb1643%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636921707802409581&sdata=vmqf0BZ8y5x%2FSA1zd%2BFEER%2BoyLVTRtJoAOrQ%2FpJS%2BJo%3D&reserved=0)for more information about registration and this event. Or see the attached flyer. We hope you can join us!  2019-2020 ISLA Classroom Grant program  June 30: deadline for 2019-2020 ISLA Grant applications  Convocation 2019: Grant recipients announced |
| **Band Boosters-**  **Michele Mihalich** | Not present. Report read by Recording Secretary, Michelle Banks.  1)  Fundraising - Pancake Breakfast/Music in Our Schools Event Sales from this year’s pancake breakfast were the second largest in pancake breakfast history - no final numbers as of the last meeting in April.  The Band will be selling their old raincoats and use the remainder of coats to repurpose them into blankets to donate and sell.  2)  BBH Band Performances - The Wind Ensemble earned superior ratings at OMEA’S in March. They were only one of two bands to receive superior ratings from all four judges  The Jazz Band will be traveled to Westlake on Tuesday, April 9th to take part in the Tri-C Jazz Fest.  On May third, the Wind Ensemble will be performing in a partnership concert with members of the Kent State Wind Ensemble.  3)  Parents of eighth grade band students will be invited to attend the booster’s potluck meeting on May 28th in the HS Cafeteria  4)  BBHHS will be hosting the Cleveland Youth Wind Symphony (CYWS) concerts on May 5th.  They will be performing at 2:00, 4:00 and 6:30.  Tickets will be sold at the door. |
| **Orchestra Boosters- Michelle Goldthorp** | Not present. No report. |
| **Vocal Boosters- Kristen Beven** | Not present. Report read by Recording Secretary, Michelle Banks.  The choir and orchestra had a successful trip to Boston over spring break. The orchestra and choirs performed outside at Quincy Market and the Chamber Choir performed at the JFK Library and Museum. Along with historical tours of Boston and nearby cities, the students enjoyed a dinner/dancing cruise and also got to see Blue Man Group.  The final choir concert is Thursday May 9th at 7pm in the high school auditorium. Senior choir students have a final opportunity to sing at Senior Bows, on Friday may 24th at 7 pm. |
| **Athletic Boosters** | Not present. No report. |
| **New Business** | No new business. |