



# Brecksville-Broadview Heights PSO Council Meeting Minutes

September 2, 2021

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 Council President Khara Mack called the meeting to order at 9:35am. The pledge of allegiance was said. The meeting was adjourned at 10:35am.

<b>Welcome</b>	
	<b>PSO COUNCIL OFFICERS</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice President- Petra Laszlo</b>	Present.  Giant Eagle Market District provided lunch for convocation luncheon, big success, enjoyed by all
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President- Christy Crouch</b>	Present.  Yuletide Program on hold currently
<b>Recording Secretary- Kelly Szwagulak</b>	Present. No Report.
<b>Corresponding Secretary- Terri Ferricci</b>	Not Present. No Report.
<b>Treasurer- Dawn Papadatos</b>	Present.  2021/22 budget – reduced unit fees – Voted and Approved
<b>President- Khara Mack</b>	Present.  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>CONVOCATION LUNCHEON:</b> Thank you to Petra Lazlo, PSO presidents, and delegates for their time and effort planning and serving the Back to School Luncheon, which was served to all BBHCSD personnel on Tuesday, August 16. It was a wonderful event, enjoyed by all who attended.</li> <li>○ <b>ELEMENTARY NIGHT:</b> Thank you to all PSO units and groups that helped our students show off their school spirit during the BEES home-opener last Friday. Attendance was high and ALL students and families created an exciting atmosphere for our BEES.</li> </ul>
<b>Board of Education- Fred Pedersen</b>	Present.  Teacher contract approved

	Open questions to board regarding covid.
<b>Superintendent - Joelle Magyar</b>	<p>Present.</p> <p>Partnership with DARE officer (plain clothes couple times per week) – help students recognize officers are officers and normal people too, still identifiable as officers (id)</p> <p>New building – on schedule/on-time, furniture is being ordered in November, mock classroom will be setup at TLC, painting started in one wing, more events planned with students (spring), open houses and ribbon cutting prior to school start, staff assignments done by January 2022</p> <p>LOVE rally canceled – rescheduled in conjunction with Uphill Downhill Race, videos of supporters coming soon</p> <p>Robocall Alert system – problems discovered during power outage in August, canceled contract with provider, looking for new more dependable system, nothing required on student/parent end, old system remains in effect until new provider found</p> <p>Interested in being part of transition committee for combining PSOs in new building</p> <p>Blended learning declaration – allowed Highland to meet state attendance policy by going remote in 3 classrooms, no full remote learning permitted without applying for online school, will not be asynchronous learning (some in school and some at home), too difficult to manage especially at elementary buildings, how exposure occurs (inside OR outside of school) determines mitigation procedures</p> <p>K-5 mask mandate – use local BBH data (not county), currently no cases in grades 6-8 and only 1 in HS determined mandate, goal is to keep kids in school</p>
<b>Director of Human Resources- Brian Wycuff</b>	Not present. No Report.
<b>Treasurer/CFO- Craig Yangilos</b>	Not present. No Report.
<b>Director of Business Services – Chris Coad</b>	Not Present. No Report.
<b>Director of Curriculum and Instruction- Dave Martin</b>	<p>Present.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome back!</li> <li>• Continuing our curriculum initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ K-5 ELA Program (Fountas &amp; Pinnell) w/ upcoming trainings</li> <li>○ Disciplinary Literacy @ the Middle School w/ upcoming trainings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ What is Disciplinary Literacy? From Corwin Publishing: <b>Disciplinary Literacy</b> is about to go from theory to game plan—taking students from superficial understanding to deep content expertise. And guess what? ReLeah Lent’s big secret lies in highlighting each content area’s <i>differences</i>—advancing a discipline-specific model in which literacy is used as a tool for strategic thinking, reading, writing, and <i>doing</i> within each field. That’s right—no more reading strategies used uniformly across the curriculum. Instead, <i>This Is Disciplinary Literacy</i> helps content-area teachers put into action the key literacies of their specialties.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>Teaching science? Students must evaluate evidence and question as they read. History? Comparing and contrasting sources and interpreting the importance of events are key. Writing in Math? Accuracy is favored over elaboration and craft. Reading fiction in ELA? Synthesizing and attuning to voice and figurative language reign supreme. Students fully own knowledge because your instruction zeroes in on the academic habits that matter most.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assessment Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ BAS in ELA (Benchmark Assessment System)</li> <li>○ iReady (reading &amp; math) – no reading at home (on screens), turned off until 9/15</li> <li>○ KRA (by Nov. 1) - Kindergarten</li> <li>○ ALEKs (grades 6-8)</li> <li>○ State Report Card – scheduled release in October; <i>there will be no grades assigned or rankings issued</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• District Goals for 2021-2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ As staff, begin to actualize the competencies in the Portrait of a Graduate</li> <li>○ Begin with the quadrant “Emotionally Prepared” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Resilient, adaptable and flexible</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Growth mindset</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Self-aware and self-authored</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Self-confident</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Coordinator of Community Relations- JC Power, Inc.</b>	Not Present. No Report.
<b>Director of Pupil Services- Cyndi Tomasetti</b>	Not Present. No Report.
<b>Transportation- Heidi Means</b>	<p>Present.</p> <p>Vehicles passed inspection 1<sup>st</sup> time</p> <p>Driver shortage – state committee (Heidi member) looking at recruiting and shortage, all routes currently covered</p>
<b>CAPA Coordinator- Kelly Lazar</b>	<p>Present.</p> <p>Kicking off with HUDDLE and HUDDLE Jr – 104 kids, opportunities to volunteer, training at Camp Christopher, worked with guidance counselors on mental health and stress</p> <p>HUDDLE Jr – participated in walk-through days</p> <p>Life Skills grant – social emotional learning lessons in classrooms (10 lessons in health class, 9<sup>th</sup> grade)</p> <p>UH partnership – HS selected as site of teen driving clinic, learn to change tires, jump battery, distracted driving simulation, etc., Sunday, Sept 12<sup>th</sup>, students do not have to be licensed to participate, annual program held at different school</p>











<b>High School-Principal – Kevin Jakub</b>	Present.  Homecoming – info out on Friday (9/3), theme TBD, spirit week, parade and bonfire returns (9/16), dance on 9/18, exploring dance outdoors at stadium option
<b>HS PSO - Rachelle Reusser &amp; Sue Ryan</b>	Not Present. No Report.
<b>Middle School Principal- Todd Rings</b>  <b>Brian Bedford, Asst. Principal</b>	Present.  We are off to a good start at the Middle School. Our enrollment in the four grades level is 1,086 students. Our athletic teams are off and running and we have many students participating in our fall sports. Many of our clubs have started and more will begin shortly. Morning announcements will be made in order for students to attend and sign up for clubs that they may be interested in. Our picture retake day is October 1st for any student who may have missed our first picture day or who doesn't like their first picture once they get them. More information will be sent as we get closer to the date. We are still collecting student fees either by paying them online or in person in the main office. We have our first book fair from September 14 thru the 17th in person in the media center at the Middle School. We are still waiting on our student planners to be delivered, they are expected to be at the MS in mid September. The construction at the MS is still ongoing. The workers continue to work in the evenings in the building connecting the remaining univents in the classrooms. We have roofers that are still working on the roof during the day. They hope to be done with the construction by mid October. What a difference the AC makes especially on those hot days.
<b>MS PSO- Denise Gawlik Kerry Ely</b>	Present.  MS PSO hosted on Back to School Townhall with Mr. Rings on August 16th where parents could ask questions regarding back to school issues. Mr. Rings always does a great job answering questions and we are appreciative of his willingness to participate. The PSO purchased Dunkin Donuts for the teachers and staff for the first day of school. We are in the middle of our annual Membership Drive. So far we have a total of 397 registrations. MS Spiritwear is available online through Star Sports and the sale ends 9/3. Our first Scholastic Book Fair will be the week of Sept. 13th, in person in the Media Center. Our first PSO meeting of the year is Thursday, Sept. 16th via zoom. This year we are doing a combination of zoom and in-person as well as doing several evening zooms throughout the year. A Bike Rodeo will take place at the MS on Saturday, September 18th from 1-4 for grades K-8. Free Bike helmets and bike safety checks will be available. You must register in advance to receive helmet. Meet the Candidates is scheduled at the MS Auditorium for Tuesday, September 28th at 7:00pm. All three candidates for BBH School Board have agreed to participate and answer questions. Please look for an email and/or FB post from your school with instructions on how to submit potential questions.
<b>Chippewa Principal - Tina McCauley</b>	Not Present. See Elementary Report.
<b>Chippewa PSO- Nikki Lohr- Hanna and Petra Laszlo</b>	Present.  The Chippewa PSO has been busy preparing for the final year in our building and to ensure we can continue supporting our students and staff. We are so excited to have the opportunity to work with Ms. McCauley and look forward to her guiding us through this school year and time of transition. We completed our audit over the summer and will pass that, along with our 2021-22 budget at our very first meeting. That will be held on Friday, 9/17. Leading up to the first day of school, our families ?Chalked the Walk? or adorned the sidewalk leading up to Chippewa?s main entrance with colorful drawings and encouraging

	<p>messages to our students and staff. We met our returning families in person at meet the teacher and sold Chippewa merchandise, which we will continue to do all school year at various events until our inventory is depleted, and online at: <a href="https://1stplacespiritwear.com/schools/OH/Brecksville/Chippewa+Elementary+School?utm_source=customer-db&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=8-25">https://1stplacespiritwear.com/schools/OH/Brecksville/Chippewa+Elementary+School?utm_source=customer-db&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=8-25</a> Our staff appreciation committee treated our staff members to a grab-n-go breakfast during the first week of school and we are preparing to disburse startup funds to each teacher in our building to help them kick off the school year with new resources they may need. Finally, we are saddened to announce that we decided to postpone our Back to School Social which would have been held on Thursday, 9/9 on Chippewa's playground. After consulting with administrators, we feel it is best to error on the side of caution and follow our sister school's lead to postpone at this time.</p>
<p><b>Hilton Principal- Chris Hartland</b></p>	<p>Not Present. See Elementary Report.</p>
<p><b>Hilton PSO- Mary Green and Christy Crouch</b></p>	<p>Present.</p> <p>We held our annual Welcome Back Party on Friday, August 20. It was a hot night but we really enjoyed the chance to see Mr. Hartland and many of the teachers, and reconnect with each other.</p> <p>Our membership drive is underway and we've had great support from our families. We have approximately 145 memberships to date. For the second year, we offered the option to "Sponsor a Staff Member's PSO membership" and for the second year all teachers and staff were sponsored!</p> <p>We have an online spiritwear store running with Star Sports but it closes in just 4 days on September 5, 2021. Do some shopping and support the PSO at the same time.</p> <p>Hilton Commemorative T-shirts are currently being produced in partnership with New Age Graphics. The design is a result of a student design contest we held at the end of last year. All teachers and staff were gifted their shirt on the first day of school and students are set to receive theirs by the end of September. These are also available for purchase, please use the order form found at <a href="http://hiltonpsocom">hiltonpsocom</a>.</p> <p>Finally, our first meeting of the year will be held on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 @ 9:30 am at the Brecksville Library and via zoom.</p>
<p><b>Elementary Principal – Colleen Toth</b></p>	<p>Present.</p> <p>The elementary schools welcomed over 1200 students in grades K-4. The year started off smoothly, kids are happy, and everyone is learning!</p> <p>We are focusing on consistency throughout the elementary schools. Look for similar communications, events and experiences for our students as we prepare to transition to our new elementary school next year. You will notice that our classroom teachers will be sending a least one weekly communication/newsletter to families to recap the week, look ahead to the next week, and provide any important information to our families. Please make sure that your email address is up to date.</p> <p>Students will start beginning of year Assessments soon- including Benchmark Assessments, i-Ready mathematics, i-Ready reading</p> <p>Upcoming dates/events:  Picture day:  Chippewa - September 15th  Highland - September 29th (3rd and 4th) and September 30th (K-2)  Hilton - September 9th</p> <p>Fall Third Grading Reading OST: Oct 26 and Oct 27.</p>

	<p>Parent - Teacher Conferences will be scheduled for October 20th and November 4th from 5-8. Teachers will reach out to the families if a conference is needed. Parents are also welcome to request a conference.</p>
<p><b>Highland PSO Joanie MacRaid and Ann Vertosick</b></p>	<p>Present.</p> <p>Membership drive ongoing, thank you to tailgate volunteers, spirit wear sales underway, commemorative t-shirts will be sold, first meeting 9/8 via zoom, back to school bash canceled hoping to reschedule, fundraiser in October</p>
<p><b>Schools Foundation- Janelle Henning / Petra Laszlo</b></p>	<p>Present.</p> <p>The Schools Foundation wishes to thank everyone in the community for supporting us over the past year. We were able to hold a successful Virtual Telethon through the support of our entire community, and we especially thank the PSO units for helping us promote the Telethon.</p> <p>Through the community's support, we were able to award almost \$32,000 in classroom enrichment grants to 9 amazing applicant groups this year. This included over \$11,000 in special needs grants. The grant winners were congratulated at the District Convocation. We look forward to receiving feedback from these amazing teachers as they implement their projects this year!</p> <p>We made the difficult decision to postpone our Uphill Downhill Run this year due to low pre-registration numbers and feedback from the community that the August date for this year conflicted with too many start of school activities. But we are VERY excited that we will be able to return to the spirit of the inaugural Uphill Downhill Run by rescheduling the event for Saturday, June 4th. Details will be shared with the community later this year. All pre-registrants and community participants were contacted regarding the rescheduled date, if any families that registered did NOT receive the email from the Foundation please reach out to us at <a href="mailto:info@bbhsf.org">info@bbhsf.org</a>.</p>
<p><b>Band Boosters- Amy O'Brien</b></p>	<p>Present.</p> <p>After the sunny days of band camp, the Marching Bees kicked off their season at home in full uniform under the Friday night lights. The Marching Bees also performed the national anthem at the Cleveland Indians game on August 21. Thank you to our great team of leadership, under the direction of Vincent Ciulla, John Pasternak and Tricia Astey, for providing these memorable performance experiences for our band students. Thank you to our Booster parents who continue to support our band program- volunteering and chaperoning.</p> <p>In September the band travels to Strongsville, Wadsworth and Hudson for their first away games. Musicians also look forward to performing in the North Royalton Band Festival on September 11. This show features many of our local marching bands.</p> <p>October includes the Sounds of the Stadium concert on the 19th as well as the start of our annual Citrus Sale.</p> <p>The Fall Athletic Program has been published and is again offered as a free digital download. The QR code is posted on the fence at the stadium. You can also access the program via the Band Website- under Boosters- then Athletic Program Download. The Boosters wish to thank all of our Athletic Program sponsors this year and especially the volunteers who produced it.</p>
<p><b>Orchestra Boosters- Petra Laszlo</b></p>	<p>Present.</p>

	1 <sup>st</sup> concert October 18 <sup>th</sup> , several fundraisers planned (poinsettias around Christmas), restaurant nights
<b>Vocal Boosters- Kristen Bevan</b>	Not Present. No Report.
<b>Athletic Boosters – Karen Bazan</b>	Not Present. No Report.
<b>New Business</b>	

**Virtual Attendance:**

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In Person Attendance:

District PSO meeting 9/21/21

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Kelly Szwajdak

Khara Mack

Petra Laszlo

Christy Crouch

Joelle Magyar

Ronda Sarmac

Ann Vertosick

Tricia Culotta

Colleen Toth

DAVID MARTIN

TODD RINGS

Linda Crouch

Denise Gaultik

Paul Bedener

Kelly Layan