



Brecksville-Broadview Heights PSO Council Meeting Minutes

November 3, 2016

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, Megan Sarfi called the meeting to order at 9:31am. The pledge of alliance was said. The meeting was adjourned at 10:34am

Welcome	
OFFICERS	
1st Vice President- Holly Long & Karen Mitchell	No Report
2nd Vice President- Rita Miller	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yuletide Hunger Program began on November 1 and runs through December 5th. Thank you for getting all of the information out and thank you to the principals for all of the fun events planned around Yuletide Hunger. • We will be looking for volunteers to sort from December 5-9. More information to come.
Recording Secretary- Kelly Petros	No Report
Corresponding Secretary- Jennifer Schneider	If you have any information, please forward it. Newsletters go out on the 1 st of the month.
Treasurer- Joanna Hamilton	Megan Sarfi Read Treasurer's Report. (See Attached Report). Council Dues are coming in. Huntington bank will be closed soon due to the fees that are charged.
President- Megan Sarfi	No Report
Superintendent- Joelle Madgar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you to all the parents for hosting and participating in the Halloween Parties. • 922 parents responded to the calendar surveys. The school calendar for next school year will be on the board agenda to be approved at the next meeting. • Calamity days will be added to the end of the school year. • On the February Board agenda, we will approve the calendars for the next two years (18-19 and 19-20). After that there will be two years approved at all times. • Starting conversation about how the school supports gifted children. Goal is to have FAQ out by February on how these children are served differently. • Levy planning for 2017. Goal is to be on the ballot. Working with Levy consultant to plan.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilities planning committee will begin in January with those community members who volunteered. • Started “Undercover boss” activity with each department. Rode bus route. Taught Spanish. Worked at beekeepers.
Board of Education- Debbie Bernauer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Going to Ohio Schools Conference on November 15th. • Please support Yuletide Hunger. Needs are increasing in the community for food.
Director of Human Resources- Brian Wycuff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided update on background checks. 60 people have applied. Continue to get 15-16 each week. Turnaround is @48 hours.
Treasurer/CFO- Rick Berdine	Not Present
Director of Business Services- Chris Coad	Not Present
Director of Curriculum and Instruction- Maggie Niedzwiecki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessments are starting. The first round of the OGT for Seniors only has taken place. The Aspire test was administered to grades 8, 9 and 10. This is a college and career readiness program. 3rd grade reading is next week. This is an online test. • STEM committee is being formed. The PSOs will be contacted for a representative to participate on this committee.
Coordinator of Community Relations- Cathy Harbinak	Not Present
Director of Pupil Services- Gina Symsek	Not Present
CAPA Coordinator- Kelly Lazar & Dr. Carla Calevich	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our student-led clubs are off to a great start. • Red ribbon week was last week. • Sr. Wellness day. Neil Zurker spoke to over 100 older adults. Sherwin Williams donated buckets to make bucket lists and travel journals. • Prescription Drug take back day – We had double the amount of cars and collected 180 lbs of pills and 90 lbs of liquids. A survey was given to each car. We will add the question “Did you dispose of a painkiller” to the next survey. • Kent state nursing students will be doing health activities with High school students. • Student groups looking forward to the holiday activities. • License plates were approved for personal vehicles. Had to license for commercial. Will be available for purchase on November 30. When available a constant contact will go out.
PRINCIPALS AND PSO UNIT PRESIDENTS	

<p>High School- Joe Mueller Principal</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">BBHHS PSO Council Report 11.3.16</p> <p>Here is the November update for BBHHS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Quarter grade reports and Fee notices were sent home on Friday, 10/28/. This is the last paper "Report Card" of the year. • 11/3 - HS Parent/Teacher Conferences are this evening, from 4-7PM, in the HS Cafeteria. Hope to see you there! • OCBA State Testing - WE have transitioned out of "OGT" testing, with only retakes remaining for seniors. All other classes are now bound by the state's new assessments, the Ohio Computer-Based Assessments. There are 7 tests: Eng I; Eng II; Alg; Geom; Biology; American History and Am. Govt. Each test has a possible score of "5," and students must have 18 total points to qualify for graduation (4 Eng, 4 Math, 6 Soc. St./Sci), among other requirements. We have sent, tweeted and posted much information about these exams, requirements and pathways to graduation, and will continue to do so throughout the year. Here is the URL link to the state's video for graduation requirements: https://youtu.be/sgDVZF9DWfkd • 11/3 - Volleyball "Sweet 16" Regional semi-final vs. Walsh Jesuit @ Hudson - 6PM. Tickets are \$8, and may be purchased at the Athletic Office. Regional finals will be Saturday @ 2PM in Hudson. Go Bees! • 11/4 - Football Playoffs vs. Warren Harding @ Warren Mollenkopf Stadium, 7:30PM. Tickets available at school. • 11/7 - Suburban League Cheer Competition - 7PM - BBHHS Gymnasium - Tickets \$6/\$4. • Red Cross Blood Drive @ BBHHS - 8AM - 1PM. Call school for info. • 11/11, 11/12 (Fri/Sat) - Fall Play - Arthur Miller's "The Crucible." - ticket info @ 740-4782. The audience will be on stage with the performers in an "arena" setting. Very Cool, seating limited. Get your tickets early! • 11/12 - Robotics Competition - 9AM - 6PM - BBHHS Gymnasium. No admission, just really awesome kids with cool robots! • 11/22 - MIM Show Choir Festival - BBHHS Aud. - 7PM • 11/23 - 11/25 - Thanksgiving Break!
<p>HS PSO – Karen Mitchell</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Afterprom has been booked at the Brecksville Rec center from 11:30pm-2am. We are looking for people to help with that night and for someone to chair the casino/games. If anyone is interested please contact Alicia Desantis.
<p>Middle School Principal- Todd Rings</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our 6th grade students just had a very successful social event last Friday. Thanks to all of the parents and PSO for putting on the event. Students enjoyed all of the games and food and it was enjoyed by all. • We have our 7th grade social on 11/18 from 3-5pm, put on by our PSO. • At the middle school we have gone to online report cards this school year which parents and students can view using ProgressBook. 82% of our

	<p>students during the 1st quarter earned grades that placed them on the honor or merit roll.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8th grade students have started their fundraiser of selling peanuts from Petersons to help offset their individual costs of the Washington, DC trip in the spring. • Our winter sports teams have been getting ready for tryouts and competition for the upcoming winter season.
<p>MS PSO- Jennifer Dzina Julie Guardado</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Trick or Trot was a success. Over 400 people came out on a beautiful day. We don't have final numbers yet. • Shrek Jr. has been cast and rehearsals are starting soon. • The 6th grade social was successful as well. 209 students (out of 273) attended. Everyone had a great time.
<p>Central School Principal- Chris Hartland</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanks to Zalinsky family who donated their time to beautify the cafeteria. Taken on repainting and creating murals. • Central Girls be Fit program had over 80 girls participate. Physical and Mental wellbeing. Culminates with Running 5K Trick or Trot. All girls finished. • Thanks to PSO for help with all of the clubs available to Central Students.
<p>Central PSO- Michelle Banks Melissa DeTray</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>CLUBS:</u> Our Book Club had their first meeting yesterday, having read and discussed Charlie Joe Jackson's "Guide to Not Reading." Our Walking Club had gotten off to a good start this fall with with 76 members and they had walked 262 miles in just the first couple of weeks. • <u>BOX TOPS:</u> Our October Box Top Contest resulted in the collection of over 5,800 box tops. Mrs. Lim's 4th grade class won a pizza party with 632 box tops and for 5th grade, Mrs. Auble's class won with 804. • <u>RESPECT & CONNECT WEEK:</u> The theme of this year's Respect & Connect Week is Connect to Your Future: Career & College Awareness, and it will be November 7-18. The focus and purpose of the 2 weeks of activities is to cultivate a climate of respect and acceptance of students' individual interests, skills, and strengths, and how these variables guide a student to potentially find the answer to the question of "What do you want to be when you grow up?" Through various activities and class presentations students will journey into the world of work and careers. • <u>FALL FUNDRAISER:</u> We wrapped up the last of our fundraiser initiatives on Thursday, Oct 27th and every child who sold 10+ items received a piece of duct tape to tape Mr. Hartland to the wall. Fun was had by all!

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>CENTRAL’S NOVEMBER PSO MTG.:</u> Central’s next PSO Meeting is set for Friday, November 4th.
<p>Chippewa Principal- Beverly Chambers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report provided by Mr. Hartland • 95% of students were recognized for Being their Best. Students received extra recess. • Mr. Day collecting excess Halloween candy for veterens. • PT Conferences are in process by apt. only. • Thurs Dec 1 is 3rd Grade winter play.
<p>Chippewa PSO- Kelly Ely & Denise Gawlik</p>	<p><u>Activities and Events:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book Fair / Open House was held on October 13th. We had an increase in sales this year and exceeded our goal this year, which was to make \$1,000 for our PSO budget. We voted to donate the extra profit of \$500 to the Chippewa Media Center for additional books and items that are needed by them. We believe some additional upfront marketing and creating a buzz helped sales - we did a preview for students prior to the Fair, and also had a parent dress up like the book character “Geronimo Stilton” on book fair morning to greet the kids. Thank you to Jodi Geduldig and Danielle Abraham for organizing this year! • Chippewa held a Science Discovery Zone on Oct. 26th. The topic was States of Matter. We had many parent volunteers working with the students at 4 different stations in our hallways. The kids had fun investigating hands-on science experiments such as which types of objects float in water and how melting ice is an example of a solid turning into a liquid. Our next DZ is in the Spring. • Chippewa is sending a team of 7 students (3rd graders only this year) to participate in NASA’s Young Astronaut Day this Saturday, November 5th. They will have a full day of fun STEM activities. • Our next PSO meeting will be held on Wed, Nov. 19th at 9:30am.
<p>Highland Drive Principal- Eva O’Mara</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have the first quarter under our belts and are now warmed up and cruising towards excellence. • We are approaching our Grade 1 Conferences Thursday from 5-8 pm and again on November 10, also a Thursday. • We are asking parents to be sure to check their planners and show up if an appointment has been confirmed. Everyone is so busy and for the first time, we are having to reschedule a record number of conferences in spite of all the notices and reminders. • Our ELA AIR tests will be administered at the beginning of next week. And we continue to work with i-Ready getting everyone acclimated to the process. • Highland Collected over 1000 pairs of socks for the homeless and we are all thrilled to be sharing these with the homeless as the colder weather approaches. We’d also like to thank the staff at the Central office for all their help and generosity. • Mrs. Boczulak has formed a Kindness Klub for the third graders to continually reinforce the behavior in a multitude of ways. This month will be the sharing of Halloween bounty with the men and women in the armed forces. In addition, the students will be writing letters to those whose names we have been collecting who would appreciate contact with the students. • Our third grade concert is approaching at the beginning of December right after Elf Shop and the Scholastic Book Fair. • We would like to thank our PSO for achieving their goal of collecting over \$10000 dollars via the No Fuss Fundraiser. We’ve said this before, but they

	<p>certainly are the big hearts of our operation!! Have a safe and delish Thanksgiving.</p>
<p>Highland PSO- Jill Gerber Rachelle Reusser</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>No Fuss Fundraiser</u> • We had a very successful No Fuss Fundraiser at Highland again. We were a bit apprehensive to utilize this method again since it's been four years of the same type of fundraiser but we did well and exceeded our goal, raising \$10,200, that will be used towards enrichment items for the students at Highland. • <u>PSO Membership</u> • To date, we have 204 PSO members which equates to a total of \$1575 collected in membership dues. • <u>Bricks 4 Kidz Family Night</u> • We have our Bricks 4 Kidz Family night this Friday. We have 123 people registered for this family even that will take place at the Middle School. • <u>Book Sale/Elf Shoppe</u> • We are gearing up for our Scholastic Book Sale and Elf Shoppe scheduled for December 3rd from 9am – 12pm. Scholastic has provided us with the Clifford suit which will be worn by one of the fathers of the families. We have an excess amount of \$286 scholastic dollars which will be utilized to purchase books for the classrooms selected by the media staff. • <u>Kalahari</u> • We had 28 rooms reserved in October for the BBHCSD which equates to \$280 coming back to the district. • <u>Chess Club</u> • We have started a Chess Club at Highland. The first meeting date will be November 7. We have selected Progress With Chess to facilitate the instruction and the club. They were recommended by the Brecksville Chess Club that meets at Panera on Thursday nights. Some other schools that they work with are Chippewa, Solon and Shaker Hts. • <u>SOCTOBER / KINDNESS COMMITTEE UPDATES</u> • Our Kindness Committee collected. 1576 pairs of socks for the homeless. They are working on letters and pictures for active and retired military in honor of Veteran's Day. They will also manage the Operation Outerwear collection for coats, hats, gloves, boots, and other outdoor wear that will be distributed within the district in December.
<p>Hilton Principal- David Martin</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report provided by Mr. Hartland. • Teachers Conferences upcoming. Thank you to PSO to for providing dinner on night of conferences. • All Schools. PBIS Program
<p>Hilton PSO- Christy Crouch</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This year's Fun 'N Stuff fundraiser was a big success! We had a huge turnout, raising approximately \$9000...and Mr. Martin's laser tag record still stands. • Our October Box Tops contest (duct tape Mr. Martin to the wall!) was also a great success. We collected over 6000 Box Tops last month, which is over \$600 for our building.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our November meeting will be held in the evening to encourage more working families to attend. We will have babysitters and homework helpers available and Mrs. Magyar will be in attendance to speak with families. • The last few years we have hosted a Family Math Night but this year we are having Family Science Night! We will have the Star Lab planetarium from the Lake Erie Nature and Science Center in our gym and families will enjoy an educational presentation followed by star themed refreshments and glow stick fun! Due to safety restrictions of the planetarium we are only able to accommodate 100 people and are excited to say we had filled 100% of those spots in less than 24 hours! • December will be a busy month at Hilton...in addition to holiday parties we will also have our holiday shop and our first ScienceDZ of the year. • Discussion about Skymap – an app that allows you to point an iPad at the sky and it will tell you what constellation it is looking at.
COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES	
Schools Foundation- Rhonda	Per Megan – This month is grant awards. Per Joelle - Annual Fundraiser March 4 th .
Orchestra Boosters- Melissa Rohrer	Not Present
Vocal Boosters- Barb Diver	Not Present
Band Boosters- Michelle Mihalek	<p>The Citrus Sale November 19th delivery order date has been extended thru November 7th at midnight. Orders are all online this year link to order is: www.beesfruitsale.com.</p> <p>Another sale happens in December.</p> <p>Jazz Band coming up. 18th Jazz Band playing at IX Center for Christmas show.</p>
Athletic Boosters- Beth O'Donnell	Not Present
STEM Coordinator- Cathy Roderick	Not Present
QUEST- Maria Hearn	Not Present
PSO Representative to the Safety & Security Committee- Jill Gerber	Not Present
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring district wide fundraiser to deliver flowers from Petitti's in the Spring. • City is doing Adopt a Family. Call 440-526-2499, Brecksville Human Services for more information,