



Brecksville-Broadview Heights PSO Council Meeting Minutes

May 4, 2017

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 9:32 . The pledge of alliance was said. The meeting was adjourned at 11:02.

Welcome	
OFFICERS	
1st Vice President- Holly Long & Karen Mitchell	<p>Installation of Officers for 2017-2018</p> <p>President: Philip Shipman 1st VP: Kerry Ely & Denise Gawlik 2nd VP: Jill Gerber Corresponding Secretary: Gloria Joseph Recording Secretary: Kelly Petros (2nd year of term) Treasurer: Kim Policarpo</p>
2nd Vice President- Rita Miller	<p>Thank you for another great year.</p>
Recording Secretary- Kelly Petros	<p>Please sign in. Reminder that the PSO recording secretaries need to remind PSO volunteers, committee chairs & the board to track their volunteer's hours. Please have your recording secretaries send me your volunteer hours as soon as they are ready.</p>
Corresponding Secretary- Jennifer Schneider	<p>Send information for Newsletter.</p>
Treasurer- Joanna Hamilton	<p>Presented Treasurer's Report. See Attached.</p>
President- Megan Sarfi	<p>Welcome to last PSO meeting of the year. Our may meeting is unique in that we recognize people in the district who go above and beyond. Each school will recognize their friend of the PSO. Each person receives a fighting Bee pin and fighting bee dot to go on home button of their phone.</p> <p>Highland – Steve C – Head custodian. He has made a lot of changes and is always interactive with the students. Always helping with whatever the PSO needs.</p> <p>Chippewa – Allen Dilak – Head Custodian. First year at the school and had big shoes to fill replacing long term head custodian. Goes above and beyond to help PSO and is a true partnership. Tells students jokes at lunchtime and does a great impression of Donald Duck.</p>

	<p>Hilton - is Beth Blaustein – Head librarian. Unanimous decision.</p> <p>Council –This year we are recognizing two. One is absent and will not be recognized at this meeting. The other is Cathy Harbinak. Most everyone knows Cathy and she is retiring this year. Helped us move from paper environment to online world and helped guide us along the right path.</p> <p>Central – Bill Corbin – Head custodian. “Bill was there before people knew they had to ask for him.”</p> <p>High School – Joe Mueller – “For the past 7 years we have been blessed to have Joe in our fine school district. Mr. Mueller has been a mentor to our kids, a cheerleader at our spors events, a counselor to our youth, a role model to peers, and simply a strong presence in our community. The fact that you took the initiative to not only know everyone by name but to know something about them speaks volumes of your dedication and character. You have: inspired our kids to GBED, taught them that good enough never is, pushed them to work harder and expect more from themselves, shown them how to be proud of themselves and their accomplishments, and earned their respect and admiration through your own actions. We could list so many ways we are going to miss you, but the kids say the biggest thing they will miss is the fist pump they get tat the end of every day. As you countdown for our seniors, we will be counting down for you to enjoy the next phase of your life. We thank you and wish you nothing but the happiest of days ahead. And when you are bored or missing us, we extend to you an open invitation to be our guest at any school event.”</p> <p>Remind council delegates that they are required to be part of PSO council brunch on August 17th.</p> <p>Audit for Council – After June 30th.</p> <p>Thank you to Council.</p>
<p>Superintendent - Joelle Madgar</p>	<p>Thank you for passing Levy. Thank you to Levy committee.</p> <p>Welcome for new registrations to district will have yard sign in their yards. “A new bee lives here”. PSO is considering purchasing the signs. Believes that the PSO council needs to support the entire district.</p> <p>Dress Code – Was not intended to keep parents out of decision. She believes that kids should have a say in their education. Students wanted to address: Dress code, food, open campus and playground rules. She believes that the dress code does not impact the parents directly with any financial repercussions. Not allowing leggings violates the civil rights of the girls. Male administrators should not be in a position to make that decision. She will be taking parents concerns back to student advisory committee on May 24th. She will be working to make sure clubs will not be hurt by taking away money from removing dress down days. She believes that the parents should be setting the standard, not the district.</p>
<p>Board of Education- Debbie Bernauer</p>	<p>Grateful to everyone who worked on Levy.</p>

Director of Human Resources- Brian Wycuff	Not Present
Treasurer/CFO- Rick Berdine	Not Present
Director of Business Services- Chris Coad	Not Present
Director of Curriculum and Instruction- Maggie Niedzwiecki	Sent out information for summer camps. Will send out again, since many parents did not receive information. Discussion of printing flyers and the guidelines.
Coordinator of Community Relations- Cathy Harbinak	Thank you for friend of PSO.
Director of Pupil Services- Gina Symsek	Not Present
CAPA Coordinator- Kelly Lazar & Dr. Carla Calevich	Not Present
PRINCIPALS AND PSO UNIT PRESIDENTS	
High School- Joe Mueller Principal	<p>BBHHS PSO Council Report 5.4.17</p> <p>BBHHS May, 2017 update:</p> <p>RiverSweep is Saturday, May 13th, from 8AM - 1PM. 200+ BBHHS students will support the cleaning of the Canal Towpath, Cuyahoga River and Big Creek grounds in The Flats. It is a truly admirable and awesome event to witness, and helps our students develop and understanding and appreciation of the need to protect and preserve our environment and our community. Check the web site for photos after this weekend!</p> <p>We have successfully (almost) completed our AIR end-of-year exams. Again, Assistant Principal and Test Coordinator Mr. Edward Kosek, along with our teachers and students, did an outstanding job with these assessments. AIR exams are the new graduation exams, as well as Value-Added teacher exams. Students need to average "3" on the seven exams to qualify for graduation (18/35), while teachers must show that students have experienced at least 1 year growth under their direction.</p> <p>AP testing is currently under way. We are administering over 1200 AP Exams to more than 500 students. Testing runs through Friday, May 12th. Students can access their scores online in July, as directed by AP/The College Board</p> <p>We have 31 seniors participating in the "senior internship" option, and, as of May 3rd, are engaged in a variety of job shadows during the remainder of their senior term. They will present their journals and internship project reports during the week of May 23rd.</p> <p>Prom is Saturday, May 13th at Independence Embassy Suites 6- 11PM, followed by After Prom. Non-Prom goers are welcome at After Prom. After Prom tickets will be sold May 8-</p>

	<p>12th during the lunch periods. After Prom will be at Brecksville Rec., from Midnight until 2AM, right “after prom.”</p> <p>Senior Recognition Night is Wednesday, May 17th @ 7PM. All School Awards assembly Tuesday, 5/23 (Seniors attend).</p> <p>Our 4th annual Physics “Cardboard Regatta” is on Monday, May 22nd at Brecksville Rec pool.</p> <p>Last day for seniors - Monday, May 22nd. We will finish “the count down clock” in the lobby @2:20PM.</p> <p>Underclass exams - 5/30, 5/31 & 6/1.</p> <p>Graduation is Saturday, May 27th @ 1PM at the State Theatre. Mandatory Commencement Practice is Friday, May 26th, beginning with our Senior breakfast @ 7:30AM. No practice - no participation.</p> <p>Our Spring Calendar is really full - check the web page for our concerts, games and programs.</p> <p>Follow us on Twitter @_BBHHS, or visit our web page for school info..</p> <p>GBED! Thank you for supporting the schools YOU want!</p> <p>Thank you for everything over the years - I have made so many life-long friends!</p>
<p>HS PSO – Karen Mitchell</p>	<p>HS Slate</p> <p>Co-presidents: Karen Mitchell and Holly Long</p> <p>1st V.P.: Sheri Dickhaut</p> <p>Treasurer: Lottie Kraguljac</p> <p>Corresponding Secretary: Gloria Joseph</p> <p>Encourage students to go to afterprom.</p> <p>Yesterday was staff appreciation lunch.</p> <p>Request to keep staff lounge clear of sports equipment.</p>
<p>Middle School Principal- Todd Rings</p>	<p>PSO Report 5/4/17</p> <p>The 8th graders are on their Washington DC trip and having a good time and enjoying all the historic monuments and places that they are visiting. We are finishing up testing this week with our 6th grade social studies state testing tomorrow. Our track team is off and running and trying to dodge the rain drops this spring. We have a group of Science students who will be participating at Kent State University this month in the kid-wind competition. Students will make cars and windmills and compete against other schools. We have started our annual Kick-It campaign. We had a kick-off assembly with the Cavs dance team participating and engaging our students to help start our Kick-It month. We will have our annual kick ball games the last day of school. Our goal is to raise \$25,000 for pediatric cancer. We have raised over \$200,00 for this worthy cause</p>

	since the we started the Kick-It program. We have started our transition programs with our 8th graders and the HS and will continue with visits from HS students to our school and our 8th graders visiting the HS this spring. We will have our 5th to 6th grade parent transition meeting on May 15th at 7pm at the middle school. Our counselors will be going to Central School to meet with our 5th graders.
MS PSO- Jennifer Dzina Julie Guardado	Not Present. No Report Provided.
Central School Principal- Chris Hartland	Not Present.
Central PSO- Michelle Banks Melissa DeTray	Today is the last day of official state testing. Variety show is next week May 11 th .
Chippewa Principal- Beverly Chambers	KDG screen was two weeks ago. Welcomed 72 children. 3 full day sections and one ½ day. 3 rd graders just finished state testing. Final benchmarks took place in April. Earth week, hosted by PSO, was fabulous. Principal spotlight recognized 40 students for 3 rd quarter. Art show – Next Friday 6-8 Volunteer Breakfast - May 24 th
Chippewa PSO- Kelly Ely & Denise Gawlik	In the last month – PSO members voted to endorse Levy Bike rodeo has to be rescheduled – won't be until Fall. Approved Gift and Goals. Gifting approximately \$6,700. Next Month – Channel 3 meteorologist will be coming in Staff Appreciation Last Science DZ Selling Summer Solutions and Back to school Supply kits. Pizza day and ice cream
Highland Drive Principal- Eva O'Mara	Thank you to presidents. Finished with Testing. Working on gifted identification. Planning end of year. End of year brunch next Wednesday. Junior Olympics.
Highland PSO- Jill Gerber Rachelle Reusse	<u>HIGHLAND DRIVE PSO COUNCIL NOTES</u> <u>Book Fair</u> We had another successful year for our BOGO Book Fair on April 27th . Sales were \$3469 . The corresponding Art show worked out well and we thank teachers, staff and parents for helping to prepare for the show ._ <u>Earth Week</u> Thanks to Jenn Grieser for coordinating our Earth Week from April 24th through April 28th. We had special guests from the Cleveland Metro Parks, Cuyahoga Soil & Water, OSU Extension, Drink Local Drink Tap . Also, students received a tree to plant, kids made seed balls, and other related activities. <u>Chess Tournament</u> Highland, Chippewa and Hilton all participated in a friendly Chess Tournament on May 3rd. There were 32 participants (at the time this report was created) and everyone was a winner. All registrants received a prize and trophies were given to top player, school, and teams. This was facilitated through Progress with Chess. <u>PSO Cultural Arts</u>

	<p>PSO sponsored a performance of Pinkalicious performed by Brecksville Theater on the Square. Students were excited to see this famous book character come to life. Highland PSO sponsors cultural events throughout the year in an effort to bring exposure of the fine arts to students - - -some who have never experienced these types of performances.</p> <p>Our next Cultural Arts sponsored performance will be the Mary Beth Ions trio performance. A trio of stringed instruments will be performing music and sharing historical musical facts. Mary Beth will be bringing her historical violin that was being played at the same time in history when George Washington was our president.</p> <p><u>Gifts and Goals</u></p> <p>The Gifts and Goals Committee has met a second time to decide the second and final Gifts and Goals purchases. Items that were discussed were picnic tables with umbrellas, shade sails and mister with generator. Final decisions will be presented to Chris Coad for approval. Upon approval, purchases will be made.</p> <p><u>Friend of PSO Nomination</u></p> <p>Steve Pamas – Head Custodian (nominated by Rachelle Reusser)</p> <p>I would like to nominate lead custodian, Steve Pamas. Steve has been a wonderful addition and asset to Highland Drive Elementary. He has been in the district for years and has always been known for his smile and cheery personality. He was helping at the Middle School before coming to Highland. Since his tenure at Highland, we noticed hanging flowers and little touches here and there. He took the initiative to purge items from the outdoor shed, welcoming PSO to look at the items first to make sure nothing was being removed without our involvement. At the Back to School Bash, Steve hopped right in, seeing the ice cream attendant needed help and assisted in getting cones and cups ready to pass out to the kids. Steve has always taken the initiative to ask myself and other PSO members what he can do to help to prepare for events or pass along ideas on how to make it great. He is outside every morning, even during the winter months, wearing a big smile and high-fiving the kids to start off their day at school with a warm welcome (no matter what the temperatures are!). He is positive and helpful and a true asset to our school and the Brecksville Broadview Hts. School District, and we are very fortunate to have him as part of our team.</p>
Hilton Principal- David Martin	No Report.
Hilton PSO- Christy Crouch	<p>Updates from Hilton:</p> <p>This year's Friend of the PSO recipient from Hilton is Beth Blaustein, our AMAZING librarian!</p> <p>Reminder that Hilton's 50th Birthday Carnival is this Saturday from 1-4. All are invited and encouraged to attend...we have lots to celebrate!</p> <p>We are gearing up for staff appreciation week next week. Students are encouraged to wear certain colors each day to represent all the different ways our staff and teachers are so amazing and important to us. Staff will also be provided with special treats each day from Dunkin Donuts, Gionino's Pizza, Bruegger's Bagels, Chipotle and Michaelangelo's Bakery!</p> <p>Upcoming events: our next ScienceDZ is 5-12, First Grade Math Olympics is 5-19, Field Day is 5-30.</p>
COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES	
Schools Foundation- Rhonda	Wrapping up year. Next big thing is giving out scholarships to seniors on May 17 th . Around 20-30K
Orchestra	Not Present

Boosters- Melissa Rohrer	
Vocal Boosters- Barb Diver	Not Present
Band Boosters- Michelle Mihalek	Disney dates have been set April 5 th – April 10.
Athletic Boosters- Beth O'Donnell	Not Present
STEM Coordinator- Cathy Roderick	Not Present
QUEST- Maria Hearns	Not Present
PSO Representative to the Safety & Security Committee- Jill Gerber	Not Present
New Business	Installation of officers.