



Brecksville-Broadview Heights PSO Council Meeting Minutes

November 1, 2012

PSO Council President, Lila Tamulewicz, called the meeting to order at 9:37 am and led the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 18 people in attendance.

<p>Welcome</p>	<p>Lila took a moment to think about all those who are struggling right now with this disaster. All those without power, and a warm, dry home. There is not a December PSO Council Meeting, so this is the last PSO Council meeting before January. So Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Holidays, and Happy New Year!</p>
<p>OFFICERS</p>	
<p>1st Vice President Laura Jonozzo</p>	<p>Laura reminded PSO Council delegates that they are part of the Nominating Committee which may begin in January.</p>
<p>2nd Vice President Megan Sarfi</p>	<p>Yuletide for Hunger, the program sponsored by Brecksville, Broadview Hts., Independence, and Seven Hills kicks off on Monday, November 5th. Each school has been provided with a flyer on what that school should target collecting. The program will run through November 30th. New this year is the ability for the community to donate to the program by going to either the Brecksville Library or Broadview Hts. Giant Eagle. I hope each school will promote this to the fullest as this food feeds families in our very own community!</p> <p>I know the Middle School will be doing a competition between teams again this year plus offering a Sweatpant Day for a \$1 on Tuesday, November 1st. That money will go to the purchase of perishable goods. I'm hoping Mr. Hartland will come up with another great motivator for the kids this year. Last year was if they brought in 2011 items he would work from the roof ... good thing the weather wasn't to bad! And lets not forget how great our HS is ... last year collecting over \$3,000!</p> <p>If you would like to volunteer to help out sorting the donated items, the date is Monday, December 3rd from 12pm - 6pm at Blossom Hill on Oaks Rd. Again the link to sign up will be available on each schools websites. I also have fliers available at the back of the room with the website and a complete list of items needed.</p> <p>Thanks again for supporting this great cause!</p>
<p>Recording Secretary Julie Lyden</p>	<p>The PSO Council Minutes from October have been approved and filed. Thank you to those of you who have emailed me your meeting notes. If you have not already done so, please email those to me today. The attendance sheet is being passed around; please sign in.</p>
<p>Corresponding Secretary Ann Marie Williams</p>	<p>Continue sending Ann Marie any info that can be passed along to the district.</p>
<p>Treasurer Kathy Moock</p>	<p>No report</p>
<p>President Lila Tamulewicz</p>	<p>There was a lot of confusion with the Alert Now system not working on Monday/Tuesday. Instead of waiting for one of the news channels to announce that our schools are closed, I knew on Monday night. I signed up for the email subscription from the district. To sign up, go to the bottom of the BBHCSD.org web site and click on the envelope.</p> <p>Trick or Treating has been changed to Sunday, Nov. 4 for Brecksville, Broadview Hts., and N. Royalton</p>

	<p>Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 6. Exercise your right to vote!</p> <p>Our next Market Day Pick Up is Nov. 6</p> <p>After our Jan. 3 meeting, we will have a presentation for parents to attend about Bullying. Susan Fee will be our guest speaker. Kelly Lazar was awarded this grant that the counselors in the district have been rolling out. They have educated the students and staff. Now, to complete the process, the counselors would like to educate us. The presentation will be located in the MS Media Center (Library) from 10:45am to 12Noon. All PSO members are encouraged to attend. Flyers will be posted at each building as well as on line very soon.</p> <p>We have sent out a survey regarding the Parent Tech Camp. Please fill out the survey if you have not already done so. I have an iPad circulating now if with the survey if you would like to fill it out now.</p> <p>Please continue to view the District, schools, and PSO units web sites for current info, fundraising, etc</p>
BOARD OF EDUCATION Michael Ziegler	No report.
ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF	
Superintendent Scot Prebles	<p>Scott talked about the system for calling off school, the phone calls, and the process involved in making the decisions.</p> <p>Scott passed out a summary of a values/belief form in the District. For values, integrity was placed first, then respect and responsibility. For beliefs: integrity, respect, and open communication promotes trusting relationships was the most important, followed by effective communication is a fundamental skill, and learning is engaging, authentic, and inspiring.</p> <p>SWOT Analysis being done– Strengths, weakness, opportunities, are threats are being collected and condensed into one document</p> <p>Parent input: On Nov 27, high school auxiliary gym, 7-9pm: small groups will discuss achievement, investment, finance, communication and information will be collected.</p> <p>Other input will be collected from business leaders, community, etc., and the district strategic vision will be created for the next 5 years – this will be presented to the Board. Then costs will be assigned to what is wanted.</p> <p>Also, buildings are being examined to see what needs are required. More research will also be done to look at population trends, etc.</p> <p>Mr. Prebles is asking for engagement from everyone to help this be accurate to achieve fiscal wellness and continued academic excellence.</p>
Director of Human Resources Rich Evans	<p>Enrollment this year is down about 80 kids versus last year.</p> <p>Rich is happy to get feedback about substitute teachers; email him at evansr@bbhcsd.org (also include the building Principal in your email).</p>
Treasurer/CFO Rick Berdine	Rick was introduced as new our district CFO. He thanked the PSO for all that is done for the schools.
Director of Business Services Larry Tomec	No report
Director of Curriculum and Instruction Dr. Carla Calevich	No report
Coordinator of Community Relations Cathy Harbinak	<p>High school profile sheet is out.</p> <p>Please follow the district on twitter and facebook.</p>

Director of Pupil Services Casey Spirakus	No report
CAPA Coordinator Kelly Lazar	No report
PRINCIPALS AND PSO UNIT PRESIDENTS	
High School Joe Mueller Principal	No report
Kathy Moock HS PSO	No report
Middle School Pat Farrell Principal	<p>Fox 8 Cool School of the Week: Congratulations to the staff and students of BBHMS for being voted the Fox 8 Cool School of the Week! The official announcement came last Thursday morning during the morning show. The competition wasn't even close as BBHMS had more than double the votes of it's competition: Beachwood and Bay Village. The Fox 8 crew came out to the middle school and taped on Halloween. The featured segment aired on November 1st at 6:40 a.m. and on November 2nd at 12 p.m. If you missed it, feel free to visit the Fox 8 website and click on the Cool School tab. Our video will be posted there!</p> <p>Announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our winter sports season kicks off on November 6th with girls basketball as they travel to Amherst. Their first home game is scheduled for Thursday, November 8th against Avon Lake. • The HS/MS PSO Night at the Races is scheduled for Saturday, November 17th. • The second night of middle school conferences will be Wednesday, November 7th from 5 pm to 8 pm. If you are interested in a conference please contact your guidance counselor. <p>Washington D.C. Update: The 8th Grade Washington, D.C. candy sale has begun. Students received their informational packets at a grade-wide assembly on Monday November 5th and some students have already started selling. This sale directly benefits your child as 50% of the final sale goes towards his/her cost of the trip. Students need to have their orders returned to BBHMS by Monday November 26th (the first day back after Thanksgiving break). Please contact Mike McNamara at mcnamaram@bbhcsd.org if you have any questions.</p> <p>At this meeting your child also received information regarding the Washington, D.C. trip. The most important items being sent home is a letter explaining the cost of the trip, the three payment dates, and payment options. The three dates to keep in mind are November 15th (\$100), January 18th and March 7th. This packet does not include medical forms, as they will be given out just before the April 8th parent meeting at 7:00 PM.</p> <p>In their U.S. History, students will be receiving an overnight field trip form that contains a list of rules and regulations that they must follow on the trip. Finally, all of these materials along with a draft form of the trip's itinerary are available on the Washington, D.C. website (http://staff.bbhcsd.org/dc/). This trip has been a long time coming for your child and it will be here before you know it.</p>
Nuvia Martin, Jennifer Schneider MS PSO	<p>The Night at the Races fundraiser's continue underway. Night at the Races will be November 17 at the Days Inn in Richfield. For tickets information and ordering please visit the middle school website at bbhmiddleschoolpso.com</p> <p>The first sixth grade social was a success. Kids enjoyed a variety of games and food. We had approximately 50 volunteers helping with this event</p>

	<p>The Middle School will present the play Seussical Jr. on March 1 and 2, 2012. We have contracted a Director, Music/Choreography Director and a Producer and have obtained the rights for the play. Auditions will be in the month of December.</p> <p>The 7th and 8th grade canteen will take place November 9 after school.</p> <p>Our n PSO meeting will be November 8 at 9:30 am.</p>
<p>Elementary Schools Joint Report Dave Martin</p>	<p>Halloween parties and parades were fun and successful at each of the elementary buildings - thanks to parent volunteers for making them special for the students.</p> <p>Parent Conferences are coming up November 8 and November 14. Be on the lookout for an invite from the teachers. Not all parents can be scheduled for those two evenings but please know that any time you have questions or concerns, feel free to contact your child's teacher to set up a conference or even to talk by phone to address your concerns.</p> <p>Vision and Hearing Screenings will take place on November 6 and November 9 @ Chippewa. Hilton and Highland conducted theirs in October and were very smooth and efficient.</p> <p>Teachers will use Friday to work on report cards in the afternoon. The morning will be devoted to PLC work and professional development at all levels. Report cards will be sent home on Friday, November 9.</p> <p>Third grades are busy preparing for their Third Grade Concert (Chippewa - December 5, Hilton & Highland-27).</p> <p>The Yuletide Hunger Program beginnings November 5. Specific item request for the individual schools are available on the web sites.</p> <p>OLSAT Testing in grades 1 and 3 finished up last week at Hilton, Highland & Chippewa.</p> <p>K-9 Officers and their dogs visited Hilton last week to pass their "public relations" test. The officers read a story to the students for 15 minutes (with questions and answers) and the dogs had to remain calm, cool and collected!</p> <p>Open House/Book Fair was held October 24 (92% of all Chippewa families attended) and enjoyed touring the building, visiting the classrooms, and making purchases at the Book Fair! Thanks, again, to the PSO for organizing the Book Fair!</p> <p>Chippewa's Family Bingo Night, sponsored by the PSO, will be held at the Middle School on Friday, November 9!</p> <p>Check out Chippewa's monthly podcast on the Chippewa PSO site. Every month, two third grade students highlight the events of the month.</p>
<p>Central School Chris Hartland Principal</p>	<p>See joint report</p>
<p>Beth Champion, Marianne Jones Central PSO</p>	<p>We will have a night meeting on Nov. 7 at 7:00PM at Coffee Club on Rte 82 Broadview Hts.</p> <p>We scheduled our PSO Holiday Brunch on Dec 13th We will be having it at the CVCC in their restaurant. The CVCC culinary students will be preparing and serving the meal. The superintendent of the CVCC will be speaking ~As a side note: The Superintendent of CVCC would love to have an opportunity to speak at the Middle School or High School PSO meetings.</p> <p>Market Day are online orders are due today, Nov. 1. Nov. 6th is market Day pick-up. We need volunteers for the delivery. The sign-up genius is on our Central School PSO website.</p>

	<p>Our next parents walking club will be on Wednesday Nov. 7 at 9:30 in the morning. Meet at the Towpath at the Brecksville Train Station</p> <p>Ski Club deadline for sign-ups is Nov. 19th.</p> <p>Deadline to sign up for Kalahari Night is Dec. 25th. Our Kalahari night is Thursday Jan. 24th</p> <p>We are in the beginning stages of planning our first family activity. We will be doing a Snow Tubing day or night at Brandywine.</p>
Chippewa Beverly Chambers Principal	See joint report
Julie Guardado, Laura Redinger Chippewa PSO	<p>November 9 family Bingo night</p> <p>Instead of a holiday gathering, Chippewa will adopt a family</p> <p>Will meet with the other PSO Presidents to plan the Spring Walkathon</p>
Highland Drive Eva O'Mara Principal	See joint report
Sue Nail, Stella Skaljac Highland PSO	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PSO Communications <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Goal - continue to increase communication to our families through the use of our website and constant contact updates. b. Accomplishments – Newly created VP of Communications Chair sends out “weekly updates” about PSO matters and ensures website is up-to-date; used paypal function for fall festival and membership dues. c. What’s next - continue to use electronic communications to promote PSO. 2. PSO Volunteerism <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Goal - Goal – continue to increase PSO parent involvement and membership. b. Accomplishments – 1st Annual Back to School Event was a huge success; good turnout at PSO meetings and events. c. What’s next – send out survey to find out what families think of PSO and the PSO’s fundraisers; continue to explore ways to get more volunteers. 3. PSO Fundraisers <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Fall Festival – Successful fundraiser at Pinnacle Sports; overall positive feedback. b. All American Fundraiser – Raised approximately \$6-\$7k from catalog sales. c. Spring Walkathon – Saturday, April 27th with all other elementary schools. 4. Upcoming Events <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. PSO Monthly Meeting – November 14th at 9:30am b. All American Pick-Up - November 15th at 3:30pm c. Highland Winter Concert – November 17th at 7pm d. Elf Shop/Book Fair – December 1st at 9am e. PSO Holiday Get-Together – December 5th at 7pm
Hilton David Martin Principal	See joint report
Dacia Pitzer Hilton PSO	<p>Fun and Stuff was a very successful fundraiser, making \$8500.</p> <p>This money will go towards replacing the playground.</p>
COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES	
Megan Sarfi – Schools Foundation	<p>Beach Ball has moved to March 9. A new fabulous auctioneer will be there.</p> <p>Getting grant requests from teachers now; these will be evaluated and awarded this fall.</p>
Trish Oswald – Students in the Arts	No report
Kathy Derbin –	No report

Market Day	
Bonnie Rolf – Band Boosters	No report
Diane Fischer Athletic Boosters	<p>Fall sports are coming to an end. BBHHS was well represented in the SWC this year. (Since we haven't had our Nov meeting yet, I don't know the final standings)</p> <p>BAB's largest fundraiser is the Superbowl Tailgate Party. It will be held on February 2nd at St. Sava's church on Wallings. Get a group of friends together and join in on this entertaining event. Please look for more information in the next month.</p> <p>Due to many conflicts, the November monthly BAB meeting will be held on Monday, November 12th in the high school media classroom at 7:00 p.m. Join us.</p>
Maria Hearn - QUEST	<p>Quest is an informational and networking group of parents of children with special needs in the district. If any families are interested in a parent support meeting please contact Maria at 44-717-1681 or by email jtmfh@yahoo.com.</p>

The November 1, 2012 PSO Council Meeting was adjourned by Lila Tamulewicz at 10:50 am.

Dates to Remember

- Nov 2 NO SCHOOL – Inservice/Records Day
- Nov 6 – Election Day
- Nov 6 – Market Day Pick Up
- Nov 9 – Report Cards Distributed
- Nov 19 – Board of Education Meeting 7pm
- Nov 21-23 – Thanksgiving Break – NO SCHOOL
- Nov 29 – PSO Presidents Meeting 9:30a