

BHHS PTO General Meeting
Monday, January 13, 2020
Media Center, 7pm

Attendance: Bert Green, Jennifer Cook, Natalie Finerty, Michelle Kessler, Robyn Jenkins, Laura Renton, Erin Young, Susie Fenster, Stephanie Crider, Paula Lynn, Sue Brodsky, Leah Abel, Fawn Chayet, Lisa Efros, Megan Johnston, Munazza Malik, Michelle Southward, Jenny Thai-Tang, Dianne Dickeson, Mark Hall, Debbie Guettler, Barb Kaufman, Laks Kannappan, Amy Goodman, Patsy Bugajewski, Allison Parr, Yolanda Saywrayne, Jessica Rankin, Deb Zupancic, Casey Crimmins, Neena Crimmins, Paul Kolin, Zarine Torrey, Sandeep Chada, Anna Barlow, Catherine Daneshvar, Charlie Hollerith, Superintendent Patrick Watson, Carol Greig, Cory Donberger

1. Call to Order: 7:07pm

Introduced board and board photos

2. Review and Approval of Minutes – Zarine Torrey

Approved: Paula Lynn / Megan Johnston

3. Treasurer's Report – Megan Johnston

- Nothing new just some staff appreciation gifts

4. President Reports – Anna Barlow

- a. Teachers brunch at end of semester – no volunteers needed for the brunch – PTO provides snacks/food
- b. February 1st – school dance. Time: 7-11pm at BHHS. Cost per person is \$15.00. Need volunteers for coat check and food donations and overseeing of
- c. February 13th – MYP; PTO will provide snacks and food
- d. Bloomfield Hills Schools Foundation – March 28th. Taste of Bloomfield Hills where local restaurants will have samples, students performing, grant winners demonstrate how money used

5. Committee Reports

a. Multicultural Celebration – Leah Abel

Third annual district wide and will be held at BHHS. High schoolers can be involved by handing out food or presenting raffle prizes and also presenting a culture. Monday March 30th, 5:30pm-8pm. Theme is Legends and Stories from Cultures Around the World. You can do an exhibit from any part of the world. If interested, reach out to Leah Abel for a participation packet (BHMulticulturalCelebration@gmail.com) February 5th is date to turn in packet with presentation plan. As a parent, you can help by being a part of the committee and you can help at the event. Dinner will be served (no donation required). Multicultural Book Fair from Grand Rapids will be here. The MCC is looking for any business that might donate something for the raffle.

b. Bloomfield Youth Assistance (BYA) – Natalie Finerty

Congratulations to Leah Abel for receiving the BYA volunteer recognition award. Nomination forms for students (middle and high school) in our core community that go above and beyond for our community will coming out soon. Date of ceremony is April 27th at BHHS. If you are wanting to be involved come January 15th at 4pm – 4:30pm to the BYA meeting at 4174 Dublin, Bloomfield Hills (Adjacent to underclassman parking lot). You can meet the board members and learn about volunteer opportunities.

c. **Sports and Clubs Update** – Paul Kolin

Wrestling team – freshman and sophomores won a 28 team tournament

Boys Hockey – is 7/2/1 and over the weekend won by a combined score of 18-3

Girls Hockey – won last two games by a combined 7-1 and are on a 3 game winning streak

Model UN – 4 of our students took best delegate (no team awards) at Detroit Metro tournament

DECA – had over 40 students qualify for states

Girls Gymnastics – won Groves Invitational, came in 2nd at Fraser Invitational and first at Walled Lake. The team is in the top 5 in the State

Ski team – boys won last invitational, the girls came in 5th place

Boys Basketball – ended 2019 4-1. Top 10 in the North

Girls Basketball – beat Pontiac 57-9

Figure Skating – 2nd place going into final district meet as top 2 qualify for States

Boys Swim and Dive – beat Oxford and are undefeated

Bowling – started season with many strikes and spares

Robotics – recognized for mentoring one of the middle school teams that almost qualified for States

Choir – performed at the DSO over the holidays, Greenfield Village and at Governor Whitmer’s holiday party

College concert by our music department along with the art displays

Poms – all performed at holiday spectacular

Thespians – 4 students qualified for over a million dollars of scholarships

d. **Global Education Team (GET)** – Anna Barlow.

December we had some of the global leaders host 60 middle school students for a workshop to find ways to create a more inclusive community. New high school training on 2/13. Contact Melanie Brooks if interested. Dismantling Racism is having a 2 day workshop. One in February and one in April. If interested contact Margaret Schultz – mshultz@bloomfield.org

e. **Social Media Update** – Paula Lynn

PTO Facebook please join; good place to get information. 2/13 we are raffling parking pass for sophomores; it’s the fundraiser for class of 2020. Next week is finals. Times are 7:30 – 10:45am – check the Facebook page or school website for what class periods are on what day

f. **Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) Special Education** – Parent Social changed to Mex from Franklin Grill on Telegraph January 15th

6. **IB Overview** – Allison Parr

Good prep for college, money available for college is great. Jessica Lupone is heading it up. 2/13 MYP is having a meeting to learn more 6:45-7:30 for 10th graders, 6-6:45pm for 9th graders at BHHS. Questions reach out to Jlupone@bloomfield.org.

7. Principals Report – Charlie Hollerith

- a. Special Focus – grade 11-12 Pathways – David Reed-Nordwall (Associate Principal) presented. Media Arts, Agriculture, food and natural resources (have at Bowers at all but will develop it more) and Biomedical will be rolled out next year. Help students excel and make school “smaller”. Concept is getting students experience that overlap between high school, college and employment. Hands on real world experience. Program has been around for over 10 years. Project and problem based. Test dreams of a career before going to college. Sometimes you can get college credit. Classes will be a double block and will cover multiple credits. OU and Lawrence Tech are partnering with us. Program assisted with help from feedback from students.
- b. New course proposals are coming out soon for next year – performing arts, robotics, IB theatre, are some of the new courses

8. Superintendent Dialog – Welcome Pat Watson!

Coming from WBHS. Grew up in Ann Arbor. 3x time EMU graduate. Graduated 1994 and has been at WBHS for 26 years. Has 3 kids – oldest goes to Wayne, daughter at University of Wisconsin, junior at Salem HS. In regards to Bluepoint, investigations do take a long time. Cameras will be installed facing the Bluepoint that will be now covered with screecher boxes and need to be lifted for a true event. Bluepoint integrates with two other systems. Last two drills didn't work. This event it worked after software update. New students in last two years didn't know what it sounded like. They will consider a meeting for students/parents to address concerns and steps that will be taken to address issues. Response time from Officer Dave was 30 seconds to the site of the Bluepoint going off.

9. Old Business -

10. New Business -

11. Adjourn – 8:33pm