# Brecksville-Broadview Hts. Elementary

### BBH Elementary School PSO Meeting Minutes November 8, 2023

PSO Co-Presidents Mary Green and Vanessa Caslow called the meeting to order at 6:32pm. The pledge of allegiance was said. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm.

Presidents: Vanessa Caslow & Mary Green	<ul> <li>Yuletide Hunger - ES collecting (refer to list of items in newsletterl), benefits local communities, send in with students or dropoff</li> <li>Upcoming Events that will need parent volunteers         <ul> <li>Bookfair/Holiday Shoppe - cashiers on 12/2 and setup on 12/1</li> <li>Jingle Bell Jog - 12/20 volunteers for crowd control, volunteers needed to assemble jingle bells date TBD</li> </ul> </li> <li>After School Enrichment Update - getting more STEM programs, slowly adding as programs become available with instructors</li> </ul>
Honorary VP: Principal Toth	<ul> <li>We made it through quarter one at BBHES! Report cards are posted electronically in ProgressBook.         Directions for accessing report cards were sent to families last week.</li> <li>Students had fun Halloween parties and activities.         Thank you to the PSO for a successful Trunk or Treat!         We are currently collecting Halloween candy wrappers for the "Trick or Trash" recycling event. Thank you for sending in candy for Veterans. They were very appreciative.</li> <li>Conference night #1 was completed and #2 is on November 9th. Parents are encouraged to reach out to the classroom teachers any time throughout the year to ask for a conference if needed. Thank you to the PSO for providing dinner on conference nights.</li> </ul>

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- Third graders completed the fall administration of the Ohio State Test in Reading. Scores will be made available to districts sometime in December.
- 20 students were honored with golden tokens from the book vending machine last week. November's theme is "gratitude".
- The BBHES esports program is underway. Mr. Bihari has spent the last six months researching programs and visiting teams around northeast Ohio to develop a program at BBHES. He is ready to launch the program at BBEHS. Tryouts started today and are open to 4th and 5th graders who will vie for 32 spots. We are excited to begin this experience for our kids. Here are the benefits of esports:
  - Builds student relationships and confidence
  - Provides a safe and social place to play
  - Provides an outlet for students that aren't interested in traditional sports to compete
  - Breaks down barriers between different groups of students
  - Encourages collaboration, communication, teamwork and builds problem-solving skills
  - Prepares students for the increasingly digital world around them
  - Applies gaming lessons in real life, such as perseverance, teamwork and decision making
- Jingle Bell Jog Dec 20th, will be accompanied by music dept
- No School for students November 20-21, professional learning days (teacher only workdays)



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1 <sup>st</sup> VP: Amy Kooser	<ul> <li>Girls on the Run - looking for someone to spearhead at ES, girls grades 3-5 eligible, need volunteer to coordinate meetings and space, etc.</li> </ul>		
Treasurer: Kristen Day & Jessica Gdovicak	<ul> <li>Current balance @ \$64,000 with Gifts and Goals kicking off next week</li> <li>Gifts &amp; Goals Update - majority of fundraising goes towards this program, enriching classrooms and teachers wishes, like "mini-grants", committee meets 11/14/23 to review requests for this year</li> </ul>		
Membership VP: Gordon Gibb	<ul> <li>Update on 23-24 membership numbers - \$7,200 collected, 663 families, 111 staff</li> </ul>		
Educational Enrichment VP: Merri Gunzler	<ul> <li>Young Astronaut's Day (YAD) - 2 team slots (6 - 4th and 6 - 5th graders selected), will compete at NASA sponsored event on November 18th</li> <li>Culture Night - this Friday, enter main entrance of HS, pickup passport at welcome table, food for purchase, many activities and events</li> </ul>		
Sustainability VP: Sara Blayne	<ul> <li>Book Swap - started today, successful first day, students able to take 2-5 books home depending on grade level</li> <li>started planning for Earth Week</li> </ul>		
Social Enrichment VP: Brittany Jenkins	Holiday Shoppe/Book Fair - 12/2/23, book fair in cafetorium, holiday shoppe in 2nd grade POD, students shop with HS students and then come back out to meet parents, parent volunteers needed 12/1 for setup and 12/2 for cashiers		
Emotional Enrichment VP: Lauren Brubaker	<ul> <li>Stuff the Sleigh - 12/9, district initiative @ Hilton, benefits It Takes A Village and City Mission, check bulletins for lists of donation items</li> <li>Jingle Bell Jog - SUG coming soon, planning with PE teachers, Amazon wish list for supplies to make jingle bells money raised goes to families in our district in need</li> <li>working with SEL counselors on various programs</li> </ul>		
Volunteer VP: Sarah Pribble	<ul> <li>winter parties 12/21 - volunteer lists need to be submitted to office for volunteer check-in, classrooms should not be collecting money, gifts to teachers are limited to \$25/student/day (state law)</li> </ul>		
Fundraising VPs: Lisa Galek & Krystina Thomas	<ul> <li>planning feedback survey on no fuss fundraiser and ideas for next year</li> </ul>		

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Council Delegate: Jason Kurlychek	Full District PSO Council Meeting Minutes Available  https://www.bbhpsocouncil.org/uploads/1/0/9/4/109403289/ bbhcsd_pso_council_meeting_minutes_11.02.23.pdf
	spiritwear - holiday sale going on now

#### **Superintendent: Jeff Harrison**

- honored and humbled to be superintendent in a destination school district
- more excited to be here after 13 weeks
- prides himself on being a different type of leader spent all today in ES, likes to schedule days in the buildings connecting with teachers and staff
- ES is a wonderful space, kids will adjust to size and people in building
- we need to get better at using our space, looking to maximize space in ES
- 3 yr strategic planning begins in January, community engagement and feedback will be sought to form plan
- campus master plan (Mill Rd corridor) also in the works, plays into strategic plan
- contract negotiations begin this spring for certified and support staff
- transportation question (too many kids per seat and combining buses) when we don't have enough bus
  drivers we get into a double-back situation with more kids and longer rides, at the last board meeting we
  increased sub bus driver rate to \$21/hr, also now schedule 2 "sitters" each day to cover
  shortage/absences, if we can't do double-backs the next step is to cancel routes which we don't want to
  do
- Hilton plan most financially wise decision would be to offline the building, keep property
- monitoring class/grade level sizes daily grades K-3 (target 25 or less), grades 4-5 (target 27 or less) are goals

#### New/Old Business

Upcoming Dates:

November 10th: Culture Night

December 2nd: Holiday Shoppe & Book Fair

December 9th: Stuff the SleighDecember 20th: Jingle Bell Jog

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