



## ***Central PTSA Meeting Agenda***

**Wednesday, October 11, 2023 @ 7pm**

**Central Admin Bldg, Board Room and Zoom (link below)**

<https://zoom.us/j/91564886238?pwd=b1FMOWJTRnJPQmZZY1dyNW95NTczUT09>

### **Present in person:**

Emmylou Duell, Melanie Wolk, Marisa Kofke, Johnita Anthony, Val Bodkin, Sarah Foster Lowlicht, Tara Josefiak, Jamal Abdualhi, Dan Goldman, Allison Rioux, Christina Pearson, Denise Kotalik, Jennifer Ellickson, Kelsey Rinella, Stephanie Bush, Lelsie Seltzer, Monica Alongi.

### **Present via Zoom:**

Patty Singh, Jill Galinski, Emily Farnsworth, Antoniette Asbury, Mark Diggory

### **Welcome and Introductions - Meeting started at 7:06pm**

[Leslie and Monica]

### **Secretary's Report [Stephanie]**

- ☐ Approval of September 13, 2023 Meeting Minutes
  - Motion to approve= Sarah Foster Lowlitch
  - Second= Denise Kotalik
  - Approved= unanimously

### **Superintendent's Report - School Updates**

[Allison Rioux obo Kevin McGowan]

- Presentation regarding what we think we want Brighton graduates to be/profile of a graduate
- Reviewed Brighton's Process of gathering information on 'Profile of a Brighton Graduate'-- worked with curriculum counsel. Defining what attributes they will need to succeed. Asking what will professions/careers be looking for- less academic material and more attributes.
- Curriculum Counsel has created a visual that they are sharing and created a poster for and is including it in the schools and community.
- Handout circulated with attributes listed with and with the definitions [attached]
- Discussion about how the PTSA can support this work

- Possibly more cross-school events (all buildings/parents/grade levels).
- Build community back/more community events
- Supporting teachers and administrators
- Extending support to parents/families to help kids practice and learn these at home as well

Handout from Dr. Rioux:



Attribute	Definition
<b>Thinks Critically</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Relies on sound evidence or data to support reasoning</li> <li>Explores multiple perspectives and considers context when drawing conclusions</li> <li>Is aware of how biases, prejudices, and egocentric tendencies may influence thinking</li> <li>Reconsiders current thinking considering added information</li> <li>Flexibly adapts thinking to new situations</li> </ul>
<b>Advocates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uses voice and actions to promote growth, understanding or change for yourself, others, systems or causes</li> </ul>
<b>Shows empathy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Creates connection by genuinely caring about other viewpoints, perspectives, and experiences</li> <li>Seeks to understand others without judgment</li> <li>Responds to differences with respect and kindness</li> </ul>
<b>Fosters resilience</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Persists through challenges and knows when and how to adapt</li> <li>Seeks out additional support or resources when appropriate</li> <li>Extends grace to self and others in a mindful, healthy manner</li> <li>Sees mistakes as opportunities for learning</li> </ul>
<b>Collaborates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Works respectfully, empathetically, and effectively to achieve common goals</li> <li>Considers different perspectives and demonstrates flexibility</li> <li>Makes valuable contributions, seeks feedback, and promotes the interdependence of the group</li> </ul>
<b>Finds joy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Experiences positive intellectual and emotional fulfillment from learning, experiencing, and responding to the world</li> </ul>
<b>Cultivates curiosity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Asks questions and explores answers to fulfill a sense of wonderment, gain deeper understanding or to take action</li> <li>Practices humility to remain open to continuous learning</li> </ul>

## **Building Reports**

- ☐ **SPED** (Special Education)
  - ☐ 10/17- TIES Together mtg via zoom 12pm-1pm (flyer will be going out soon)
- ☐ **DEI** (Diversity, Equity & Inclusion)
  - ☐ No report
- ☐ **CRPS** Report submitted:

## October 2023 Past Events

1. Hospitality provided fall treats to the staff on 9/18. Thank you to our chairs Gillian Bermont and Meghan Gianfori for setting up a sweet spread at Mr. Tappon's meeting. It was apple themed. They couldn't have pulled it off without all of the generous family donations.
2. Our Community Service Chairs Kevin Chernenkloff and Katie Hess were able to collect several backpacks and school supplies for Pencil & Paper and the Brighton Community. Thank you to our generous families for the donations.
3. Tara Josefiak represented CRPS at the New Family Reception on 9/18. New families were in attendance and the community leaders and staff turnout was great.
4. CRPS Building Chairs attended a Meeting with Mr. Tappon and Mr. Green on 10/3 at 11am.
5. We helped Mr. Tappon by making Childwatch flyers and sign ups for his Curriculum Nights. Things went a lot smoother since the district handled the actual care. Thanks Moncia Bays and Sarah Lowlicht for managing those tasks. Thank you to parents Emily Farnsworth and Phoung Contact who helped Mr. Tappon's Childwatch crew on 9/13 and 9/28.
6. PTSA Building Chairs spoke at Curriculum Night.

## Upcoming Events

1. Hospitality will provide snacks at the October faculty meeting.
2. School Pictures are scheduled for 10/11 and 10/12. Our event chairs Courtney Cornell, Julie Lane, and Nicole Strait are leading the charge on this.
3. Movie Nights- we are looking for a sponsor to cover the \$475 licensing fee so we can continue with this successful event.
4. Art Room- Chair has communicated with Miss Lisa so we can set up a schedule and Sign Up Genius link for volunteers and Square One Art. Waiting for directions from Miss Lisa.
5. Cafeteria Coordinator- the next Fun Food Friday is October 20th.

6. Yearbook- they've connected with the FRES Yearbook Chair Melissa Staloff and CRPS teachers. Melissa, is there anything else that you need from our team?

7. Library- parents have been volunteering in the library

☐ **FRES** Report submitted

#### October 2023 Past Events

1. Successful curriculum night. We were able to support FRES in securing volunteers for their childwatch.
2. The family picnic was very successful. We sold 14 sheet pizzas, snacks, drinks, and had an ice cream truck. This year we had a small group of 4th graders who led outdoor games.
3. School photos were a success.
4. Our first family movie night was sponsored by Color Me Mine; we played Book of Life in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month. It was well attended despite being the Thursday before the long weekend. Upcoming Events

5. October 12, 13: 3rd Grade Bingo
6. October 17, 18: 4th Grade Bingo
7. October 24, 26: 5th Grade Bingo
8. October 20: Fun Food Friday Other News
9. We did a small fall cleanup in the courtyards and planted 20 mums throughout the four courtyards.
10. We provided desserts for staff on October 6.
11. We are planning to replace the Tiger Library with the new Bruin library before the winter.
12. We are collecting winter wear for the Bruins Closet during the month of October. We will likely extend into November as well.
13. We are still in need of an event chair for our movie nights, ice cream socials, and 5th crossover activity night. We have other openings as well but these are our most pressing

☐ **TCMS** Report submitted

#### Events Held

9/13: TCMS September Meeting with the Principal was one of the best attended; Principal Danielle Edmunds presented with Jeff Green, Director of Student and Family Engagement and Teresa Mosher, Director of Safety and Security

9/14: Curriculum Night was well attended

9/14-15: Picture Days went off without a hitch; the new vendor is amazing and really makes it an easy event

9/21 ODE: All Outdoor Educations (ODE) has happened. is a Brighton tradition, is "school in a different location" for the day; the children had a blast

10/6: Hospitality provided desserts for the BCSD Superintendent's Conference Day

### Upcoming Events

10/13: Grade 6 Fall Bash Activity Night upcoming this Friday; this will be the first event at TCMS (besides crossover night) for the new middle schoolers

11/1: Picture Retake Day which is expected to run exactly like picture day in September

11/3: Grade 7 Activity Night is upcoming

☐ **BHS** Report submitted

### Events for September-October:

1. Assisted with spirit wear sale at food truck rodeo @ BHS
2. First meeting with the principal on Sept. 27th, Dr. Hall gave an overview of year ahead and held a Q&A session, approx. 20 parents were in attendance at each session (noon and 7pm)
3. Building chairs met with Dr. Hall the week before school began to discuss events for this school year
4. PTSA provided breakfast items and desserts for two staff meetings/superintendents days so far this year -September 5th and October 6th Upcoming events:
5. PTSA to speak and introduce ourselves at 9th grade parent night, October 26th, will also sell calendars and spirit wear before meeting
6. PTSA to scoop ice cream for staff ice cream social on October 16th @ 2:15 pm
7. Providing hospitality for staff meeting on October 23rd, popcorn and chocolate chip cookies
8. Our next meeting with the principal is October 18th @ noon and 7pm. Mike Bergen from Chariot learning will give a presentation on SAT vs. ACT and what you need to know, including changes to this years SAT

### **Treasurer's Report**

[Emmylou]

☐ Current Report

☐ Review of current report (attached)

☐ Motion to approve= Melanie Wolk

☐ Motion 2nd= Kelsey Rinsella

- ☐ Report approved= unanimously

### **Committee News**

- ☐ Fundraising Report - nothing updated yet, will meet soon
- ☐ Calendar Committee - almost sold out, will sell at R's and Homecoming, and then at any events left over/ Kevin Chernenkoff will be the Calendar Chair for the 2024-2025 calendar
- ☐ Spiritwear- Will be re-ordering supply, and then have an on-line sale that will arrive before the holidays. Need volunteers for selling at homecoming
- ☐ Audit Committee
  - ☐ Met this week, and audited all the receipts- everything is balanced; all is signed off on and will be available on the website to view
- ☐ Nancy Beck
  - ☐ Application is on-line; will be asking Principals to circulate within their buildings and will circulate to the community as well; deadline to submit is 12/31/2023

### **New Business**

- ☐ Brighton PTSA Newsletter
  - ☐ Quarterly newsletter will be started this year (digital); Melissa Staloff will be the editor for this year (this is for the Central PSTA as a whole)- if you have submissions, please send them to her.
- ☐ Reflections
  - ☐ PTSA would like to submit this fall (deadline is 11/14/23)- NYS PTA created the theme, it is "I Am Hopeful Because". Leslie will move forward on this.
- ☐ Memberships for Building/Committee Chairs
  - ☐ Central PTSA will cover the cost of membership for the bldg and standing committee chairs for this year
- ☐ Social Media for Brighton PTSA
  - ☐ Central would like to centralize this and will be looking into streamlining how to post (central log in by the central PTSA)
- ☐ Meetings With The Principals
  - ☐ Reminder to chairs to think of new ideas and re-energize parents

### **Open Discussion**

**Chair/Committee positions needed:**

- ☐ Flyer Committee
  - ☐ Need CRPS Bldg Chair Rep
  - ☐ Need SPED Bldg Chair Rep
  
- ☐ Fundraising Committee
  - ☒ ~~Need BHS Bldg Chair Rep~~  
- *Jen Ellickson*
  
- ☐ Calendar Committee
  - ☒ ~~Need BHS Bldg Chair Rep~~  
- *Kelsey Rinella*
  
- ☐ Nancy Beck Committee
  - ☒ ~~Need BHS Rep~~  
- *Becky Veitch*
  
- ☐ Nominating Committee
  - ☒ ~~Need FRES Bldg Chair Rep~~  
- *Melanie Wolk*
  - ☒ ~~Need BHS Bldg Chair Rep~~  
- *Jen Ellickson*
  
- ☐ PTSA Lifetime Membership Committee
  - ☐ Need BHS Rep
  
- ☐ PTSA Bylaws Committee
  - ☐ Need CRPS Bldg Chair Rep
  - ☒ ~~Need TCMS Bldg Chair Rep~~  
- *Johnita Anthony*
  - ☒ ~~Need BHS Bldg Chair Rep~~  
- *Kelsey Rinella*

**Meeting ended at 8:31pm**

**Next meeting:**

Wednesday, 11/8 @ 9:30am, BCSD Admin Building (and Zoom)- FRES to provide meeting snack