

**Brighton Believes Council
December 6, 2018
Central Office Board Room**

2018-19 Goals: Supporting “Brighton Believes”

Minutes

In attendance were: Rob Thomas, Becky Cotter, Dan Goldman, Julene Gilbert, Dr. Allison Rioux, Lance Mitchell, Daphne Cohen, Dr. Kevin McGowan

Treasurer’s Report: New balance is \$676.18 due to reimbursement of Red Ribbon Week materials.

Brighton Believes Day of Caring – March 6

- CRPS PTSA has been organizing funding, project ideas and supplies for this year.
- TCMS is doing similar events to last year, but there will not be an assembly to start the day. Many community/volunteer organizations will come to the building and speak to small groups of students. The idea is to let the students decide what they want to contribute to.
- FRES wants to do a kindness theme and teach students how kindness can spread to other people. They will do a spinoff on kindness rocks. FRES hopes to get buses for the day so the rocks can be hidden around the community. FRES has reached out to creator of Kindness Rocks for a possible video or Skype call. They’re trying to figure out the cost of busing. Another option is the new Brighton vans or grant/sponsorship for busing costs.
- BHS just started meeting as well. Students are trying to come up with new ideas. Friends of Rachel will lead a peanut butter and jelly factory again for Open Door Mission. The day will be similar to what BHS did last year. They’re also exploring leaving the campus.
- Brighton Believes Outstanding Character Awards will be presented that day. Rob Thomas needs nominations from all buildings and for the at-large category. It also may be possible to do awards again at the September 5K.

Brighton Clean Sweep will be Saturday, May 11 at 9 a.m. this year

The Town’s Paper Shredding and Electronics Recycling is Saturday, May 18 from 9 a.m. to noon

The Town’s Pharmaceutical Takeback is Saturday, April 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Open Forum/Community Events

- Brighton Recreation has many programs. Fridays with Frosty is Dec. 7. The Brighton Symphony Orchestra Glory and Majesty Holiday Concert is Dec. 16. December Recess Camps are also available.

- The Town is doing its 14th annual Veterans Appreciation Luncheon on Friday, Dec. 7. This free luncheon features a delicious meal, and most importantly, a chance for the Town of Brighton, Rochester VA Clinic, Goodwill of the Finger Lakes, Brighton Your Wardrobe, and local businesses and individuals to honor our region's brave Veterans on Pearl Harbor Day.
- BHS participated in the ROC2Change Student Summit on Race in November. BHS had its Mosaic Club, Black Student Union, and Friends of Rachel get involved. Two BHS students went on WXXI's Connections with Evan Dawson to talk about it.
- Friends of Rachel did a Mix It Up Day event ice cream social and toiletries drive for Coldwater House.
- Great conversations are going on districtwide about diversity and equity.
- Brighton Genius Barons' GenBar is doing a great job of helping with tech issues around the school. They also went to NYSCATE recently and made an impression on teachers from other districts.

2018-19 Meeting Dates (also on the PTSA Calendar): Noon – 1:00 PM

October 4

December 6

February 7

April 4

June 6