

Brighton Believes Council
February 6, 2020
Central Office Board Room

2019-20 Goals: Supporting “Brighton Believes”

Minutes

- In attendance: Rob Thomas, Becky Cotter, Dan Goldman, Pauline Rosenberg, Daphne Cohen, Stephen Cady, Peter Stein, Dave Catholdi, Dennis Mietz, Christine Corrado, Juliet MacMillan, Carolyn Rabidoux, Matt Tappan, Dr. Allison Rioux, Louise Novros, Dr. Tom Hall, Leslie Seltzer, Lance Mitchell, Superintendent Dr. Kevin McGowan, Sue Salzman, Tara O’Brien, Julene Gilbert
- **Welcome New Members! Ice Breaker Activity**
- **Treasurer’s Report \$676.18**
 - No changes
 - Louise Novros said there may still be money in a fund with the Town for Clean Sweep that could be used for beautification projects.
- **Brighton Believes Day of Caring –March 4, 2020**
 - Council Rock Primary School classrooms will do hands-on service projects in every classroom.
 - French Road Elementary School is shifting from Jump Rope for Heart to Health Moves Minds with a connection to Food Link. Brighton Believes Day of Caring will also connect to Food Link. It will be a Be the Change Challenge to raise money for the backpack program. Kids can put change in different jars and the jar with the most money will have something fun happen: such as the principal and assistant principal greeting students from the roof or a pie in the face for staff.
 - Twelve Corners Middle School is inviting 36 community service organizations to present to classroom groups. Each classroom will hear from two presenters. Then students will decide what they want to do as a school collection or drive.
 - Brighton High School clubs and teams run the community service projects for each grade level. Supporting Owen’s House, Open Door Mission, and more.
- **Brighton Clean Sweep – May 9, 2020**
 - Registration is now open online through Brighton Rec. That will speed up the process the morning of.
- **Red Ribbon Week was in October**
 - More about character traits and positive choices.
- **Brighton Believers Awards 2019-20**
 - Will present awards at a Board of Education meeting.
 - Could also do it at a Town Board meeting.

- Next year, will put a note on nomination form asking nominators to check previous winners list to not award someone twice.
- Will present to all nominated this year.
- **Open Forum/Community Events**
 - Brighton Recreation's Winter/Spring Brochures are out. Like them on Facebook and help spread the word about their programs and events. They have programs for students over February break.
 - PTSA is supporting BHS for Brighton Believes Day of Caring.
 - Chief Catholdi said he's looking for new ways to get involved in the community.
 - Brighton Ambulance just did a nice expansion to their facility on Westfall Road. There will be an Open House event later in the year.
 - Town Board member Christine Corrado said all Town meetings are open to the public.
 - Dr. McGowan said NYSUT was here this morning for a bus tour about foundation aid inequity. Teachers talked about who we are as a District.
 - The New Family Reception will be March 23 at FRES. The District is currently offering a mental health first-aid class for teachers and parents.
 - Council Rock and French Road PTSAs are organizing extracurricular activity fairs.
 - The Community Bulletin Board is available to distribute flyers and programs to families.
 - Festival of Ideas is March 7 for FRES and TCMS students.

2019-20 Meeting Dates (also on the PTSA Calendar): Noon – 1 p.m.

April 2

June 4