

BBH Middle School PSO Meeting 2/11/2021

Meeting Start Time: 7:00 PM

Meeting Attendance: Teri Ferricci, Kerry Ely, Denise Gawlik, Roderick, Rachelle Reusser, Todd Rings, Angie Stout, Cristina Yaussy, Damian Sopata, Magda Vlcek, Mchelle, Janelle Valenti, Kristin Cast, Petra Laszlo, Rachelle Reusser, Terry Alai, Linda Crouch, Brad Chase, Jamie Bindra, Jamie Bindra, Katie Young, Bridget Young, Jennifer Stephan, Kristin Cast, Lynna Lai, Rebecca Cain, Stacy Fening, Keth McMillin, Tracy, Jill Gerber,

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

2. Honorary VP - Todd Rings :

- Still planning on state testing grade 5 will test for Math, LA, and Science. Grade 6 and 7 will test for LA and Math. A Constant Contact will go out soon with more details. Please try to avoid vacations on those dates. Have kids at school. April/May testing dates TBD.
- Still trying to figure out different options for OLA students for testing. Maybe after school when kids are gone.
- Legislation out on possibly waiving tests like last year but tied to federal funding from government if don't do it they don't give school money. Stay tuned.
- Fifth grade IOWA started this week with bubble testing. Full go next week TUE-FRI. OLA will possibly complete those after hours at a date TBD. Trying to provide flexibility on that for them.
- Cleaning protocols...still cleaning with a deep clean? They have increased amount of times they clean. Spraying every room every other day at night after school. Thank you to Custodial crew for stepping up especially now with kids back in building.
- Feels like it is only September and it is the fourth week of school with everyone in. Teachers and staff know kids but feels like it's beginning of year. Biggest problem we are having especially first two week is in EI. Kids are eating and drinking in auditorium. Not being replaced for a while and they are tearing up seats with trash. Roughly 150 kids in there. They all take masks down at same time and drink water. Not a mask break. We have put rules in place with warnings and signs but they have concerns with drinking the water. Parents coming to Mr. Rings about why did their kid get a detention. They can have water but they have to go up to the adult in study hall and ask them if they can go to the hallway to get a drink of water. It is only 24 minutes in EI. Either coming from lunch or will be going to lunch so they don't necessarily need that drink. May be taking advantage of it and taking a lot of mask breaks. Staff will be making sure they push the rules. It does feel like

September with getting used to school but please follow rules. Remind kids to go ask for a break to hallway for a drink as if you are going to the drinking fountain. NO food as well. Getting a lot of push back from the kids especially 8th graders. Please just try to remind them not to do that and to follow rules.

- All subs are certified. They are in Renhill and if not a Renhill sub we use teachers already in building. Today 14 teachers were out and short five subs. Only two teachers out were COVID related. Things do happen and staff will be out but assured that teachers and qualified subs will be in for the teachers that are absent.
- Quarantine change has gone from 14 to 10 days in classroom setting if close contact in school classroom which is within 0-3 feet. However, if at home and a family member or someone you have had outside contact with has had it, your quarantine period will still have to be 14 days but again if exposed at school it is 10 days.
 - There are two different levels. In classroom 0-3 feet more than 15 minutes or on bus you will have to quarantine for ten day so matter what from last time you had exposure from person.
 - 3-6 feet regular classroom setting except Band PE, Choir, Lunch you do not have to quarantine from school for ten days but do have to quarantine outside of school for 10 days. For example - come to school but go home and you will not be allowed to go to outside activities, store etc. Orchestra counts as a “regular classroom” due to no blowing in instrument and masked.
 - Quarantine starts from last exposure. A lot of kids have different dates of when can come back due to last date of exposure and positive testing.
- Had highest number at the school today with five positive cases. One of the kids has not been in school for week and a half with no one exposed but will still report. Unfortunately, 40 kids grades 6th through 8th were quarantined. Couple 5th and 7th graders but 6th and 8th grade took biggest hits today. Yesterday was 0. It varies daily.
- When a positive case is reported, you look back to 48 hours, for example - Symptoms on Monday you have to go back 48 hours from Monday. No reason to contact trace which would take you back to Saturday. If you do not have symptoms and you test positive, they go from that day of a positive test and go from there rather than 48 hours due to no symptoms.
 - **Clarification of PE** - If there is 0-6 feet for more than 15 minutes in gym relying on teachers as best as they can (trying to move kids around as much as they can so they don't reach 15 minutes together at any given time) moving different kids around to avoid 15 minute exposure.

- CLARIFY – around a positive COVID case in a regular class setting 3-6 feet can come to school but not outside activities store etc. School will give a detailed piece of paper of what quarantine rules you have to follow.
- OLA elective information options will hopefully get sent this Tuesday and will be ready soon for sign ups.
- Doing their best to keep kids as far apart as possible. Sometimes not able to keep apart due to size of classroom but doing our best. Nothing in quarantine rules states if you have plexi-glass you don't have to quarantine. believe it cuts down on transmission, but you will still have to quarantine.
- No rule on extended school year or targeted intervention program. Administration is still working on that and discussions are taking place now.
- There are roughly 200 kids in grades 5th through 8th in OLA and roughly 1100 in school.
- The plexi-glass dividers are being used by 95% of teachers since being back 5 days a week.
- (Kids that are OLA that would like to come back now) Initially when asked back in January, we wanted the decision for second semester to be final either in school or OLA. We do have some parents asking for their kids to return now. This is hard to do because classrooms will have to be manipulated and hard for teachers to have kids coming and going. We ask that if you want to change, nothing can be done until fourth quarter. We will not be asking people to make another decision in a group email. Please email Mr. Rings if you would like to come back for fourth quarter and he will contact you.
- School scheduled for vaccination Feb 22nd first shot. On this day teachers will be doing asynchronous learning with videos google classroom etc. Feb 23rd all back in school. Second shot March 15th so it will as well be asynchronous. On 16th of March it will also be remote or asynchronous for teachers because typically that is the day you feel symptoms or react more with second shot. Trying to be proactive for any staff that may be ill and avoid a large amount of staff being absent. March 17th back in school.
- Spring break and travel – if go away for spring break or anytime for that matter and you go to a different state on Ohio's watch list (watch for changes with governor) when you come back if the state you visit is on watch list, the MS would strongly encourage and ask that you

quarantine from school for 14 days after you come back as recommended by the state of Ohio. Please keep this in mind when on spring break and vacations.

- Kick It Fundraiser will be looking at options for the fundraiser this year. Usually before Memorial Day weekend. Usually a carnival setting on day one and day two is a food truck day with kickball. Looking to hopefully doing it this year on one day (Friday before Memorial Day). Nothing set in stone but hoping to have it. Will need parent volunteers to help with food truck, know how to count money and get change order, etc. especially with fifth graders. Pretty spread out and will do one grade level at a time. If can do safely hoping it will be on this year to support a great cause!
- Teachers are encouraged to Zoom with kids especially when out on quarantine but it is up to each teacher to determine how they will make up their work. Most teachers are Zooming. Best thing to do is email teacher ask if they can zoom in and watch class. If just one day of absence you will have to make up work old fashioned way, take day of absence and talk to your teacher when back in class. You can not just stay home and zoom in if you feel like not coming to school or sick with flu or cold.
- AC possibly this summer! Strong possibility MS will not be only school without AC and will have it before new building opens!
- If students can produce a positive COVID test from last 90 days, kids will not have to quarantine if exposed to a person with COVID. So if you feel son or daughter might have COVID, recommend you get them tested which would help them to not quarantine in future when exposed to COVID. Need to email a MyChart or test result from the site you were tested at to school nurse.

3. Board Reports

Presidents – Kerry and Denise:

- 750ml Virtual wine tasting! Reminder that money efforts still being raised for the auditorium renovation. Phase one replacing and upgrading electrical and lighting under \$50,000 cost and just under \$25,000 fundraising raised and grants from schools foundation raised. Phase II will be with funds from virtual wine tasting with Larry O'Brien partnering with 750 for virtual wine tastings. Please see website, Facebook, newsletters etc. Please sign up! Don't have to participate or be on camera just come buy wine, watch. Thanks for support!

1st VP – Michele Abraham:

- Need positions filled for next year in next couple of weeks for smooth transitions. Excited for a more normal school year next year. Please see post on facebook with current openings. Some exec boards available – 1st VP, Fundraising, Council Delegate, Committees are open CAPA coordinator, memberships, all social chairs, D.C. trip, spring musical, supply boxes etc. Please message Michele or email her as well as send a message to Denise and Kerry or Mr. Rings and they will forward to Michele. Info will also be in upcoming newsletter

Treasurer – Heather Pignatiello:

- Only change is that expenditure under gifts and goals for document cameras but everything else remained the same.

Schools Foundation - Petra :

- Telethon will be major fundraiser for year. 100% of proceeds donated and hopes to raising \$12,000. Asking for help to make success! Please spread the word! Can sponsor for \$25 and also just join livestream. BBHSF.org or follow on FB. Thank you in advance! Being livestreamed on same day of band concert so if you can't make livestream they will keep video up so you can watch the video when you are able. Strongly encourage MS kids to watch. Can start bidding for auction now!

Council Delegate Report:

- . PSO council meeting was held on Feb. 4th – few highlights:
 - Served 82 members yuletide hunger. Thank you to bell ringers
 - Discussions starting now on how to structure new school PSO with all buildings combined possibly include PreK
 - Fred Pederson spoke regarding LLS raising money for their cause trying to get sponsors and more money please reach out to them and see website for details

- All walls up in new building, roof up in Café, little delay due to weather but only 8 days behind. May be pushed back to after labor day opening to give time to move in.
 - 2.9mil for HVAC improvements with Chris Coed for MS. Will have an agreement ready for February board meeting.
 - Dr. Martin said on Christmas day Matt Harper with Creekside donated meals and 200 students made notes to go with those meals.
 - Working on lessening gaps with learning.
 - Heidi Means has updated transportation site and will take you to your bus stop with home address.
 - CAPA doing Huddle lessons via zoom in high school. SADD selling roses and chocolates for fundraising.
 - GO to district website for webinar wellness series for anxiety with kids series in February. Print outs also available.
 - HS robotics team #1 in world right now!
 - Schools foundation March 11th virtual telethon!
 - Vocal music boosters still doing spring musical hopefully something virtually. Program called Sound Trap.
- **Please refer to PSO minutes on website for more details****

4. Committee Reports

5. New Business

*BBH Schools Foundation Virtual Telethon 3/11 @ 7 pm – “Bee Invested in Fine Education”

6. Adjournment 7:58 PM