

PSO Meeting 10/8/2020

Start time 9:30 AM

Attendants

Todd Rings, Kerry Ely, Denise Gawlik, Teri Ferricci, Cheryl Stopar, Dina DiFrancesco-Bayles, Cathie Zelinsky, Rachel Jones, Katy Burant, Cristina Ferrazzano Yaussy, Brandi DeMario, Melissa Garten, Rachelle Reusser, Jennifer Daum, Jill Gerber, Linda Crouch, Jennifer Harrison, Deb Kuscevic, Ronda Strmac, Kristin Cast, Kaila McKenna, Kara Houghton, Michele Abraham, Sara Albrecht, Brad Chase, Hallie McDermott, Beth Marsh, Ellyn Mehendale, Nina Murphy, Petra Laszlo, Heather Pignatiello, Janelle Hanning, Jenn Stephan, Tiffany Winschel, Debbie Dey, Suzanne Brown, Rebecca Cain, Kelly Szwagulak, Karen Patton, Lisa Galek, James Frank, Carol Durkin, Sue Ryan, Jill Miller, Isabella Sidaway, Jen Papalardo, Kelly Petros, Elizabeth McMillin, Tracy, Stacy Fening, Calypso Roditis, Alicia Manenti, Rachelle Reusser, Jill Tayfel, Gretchen, Angie Stout, Heather McNulty, Melissa Ostroski, John Bibbo, Hellena Dranitsin, Jessica Glassner, Claire

1 – Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

2 – Honorary VP Todd Rings

School and Building Info:

- Couple reminders were sent out via constant contact. PSAT is next Wednesday in order to save some instructional days. Only for the 8th grade class. First opportunity to do a national standardized test. Encouraging all the kids to come to school that Wednesday Oct. 14th **just for 8th grade only**. Bus will be available and should be done testing by 12:15. No books to bring just bring calculator and pencils. OLA kids can come in starting at noon if you chose to not be in the building with all the other kids. You should have gotten an email.
- Peterson Nut Fundraiser usually just for 8th graders DC trip. Decided to do it for the whole school to continue a relationship with the company. Money will go to school funding such as clubs and building.
- Main entrance project should be done and open by next Monday Oct 12th. Mrs. W will be back in the main office. Winter athletics, fall sports wrapping up next week. End of October starting winter season for girls and boys basketball with wrestling starting in November. Website and constant contact will have info. Contact Mr. Zimmer for girls and Mr. Black for boys sports info. Mr. McPherson for wrestling.

In school session questions for Oct 26th:

- Some people haven't completed the online declaration. Please email Mr. Rings and tell him what your declaration is, and he will put your information in a spreadsheet if you haven't completed yet. They will need to know if they will be online or in person five days and will start calling people as well.
- In planning stages and will finalize when all decisions of OLA and in person are made. They may take teachers away from online if more kids are in school rather than online. They will make schedule changes before Oct 26th. It will pop up in progress book. Friday the 23rd should have all finalized decisions and schedules made.

- Mr. Rings will put together a FAQ concerning the Oct 26th school session.
- More people are utilizing busing now. Pick up and drop offs will stay pretty much the same with busing in the front and parents on the side. Thermometer readings may take place in the building now to prevent temps being off due to heat in car or hat/coat. Afternoon will maintain the same lines as usual. Please remember to not come before 2:50 for pick up. Be sure to move up to end of the building towards the high school so they can fit in as many cars as possible to avoid blocking Mill Rd traffic. They have started letting cars enter in same entrance as the bus entrance and have them line up in back lot behind buses to avoid lining up in the street. You can't pick your kids up here, but you can wait until you can move up to get to the side of the building. Able to fit 40 more cars in to avoid traffic congestion. Be careful when driving and watch for the people directing traffic and encourage kids not to cross before told to do so.
- Kids can get lockers now. With weather changing they can get a locker for coats. Every child has been assigned a locker and they can go to the office to get their locker and code if they would like one. See Mrs. Woznicki or all administration. Will make a plan to avoid hallway and locker traffic such as red dots will go between 1st and 2nd period, yellow will go 3rd and 4th so everyone isn't going to lockers at the same time.
- Hallways will be the same as they always are. Mr. Rings has called the department of health to ask about protocols if a child tests positive in a classroom. Anyone within six feet for hallway for 15 minutes or more will have to quarantine. Classroom is within 6 feet. Hallways will not have exposure for a 15-minute timeframe so unlikely to quarantine due to hallway exposure. The staff is encouraging kids to get to their classes as soon as possible when in the halls.
- Distancing at lunch 7th and 8th grade 5th and 6th period not much of a change. With only half the kids here, they are able to eat on only half lunchroom so when all kids come back should be using the other half. 4th period is tricky 5th 10:40 eat lunch 6th 10:49. Getting tables from elementary for lobby and auditorium as well as just outside cafeteria for 6th graders. No more than 4 kids per table during lunch. 5th graders will eat in cafeteria. Some 6th may fit in cafeteria. Still going in the lunchroom for food but will eat outside cafeteria.
- Will not mandate that classes are live stream. Encouraging teachers to record as much as they can so if kids miss school they can watch a recorded session. Hard to run back and forth between livestream and kids in class. Livestreaming or recording will not be mandatory for every school day. If kids test positive and quarantine, they will encourage teachers to do livestream or recording sessions.
- Could be an overview of COVID protocols due to modified board of health rules. Reviewing the MS current plan vs. revised with board of health and they will send out revisions through Constant Contact.
- If any child feel sick with cold or temperature symptoms please stay home. No fever for 24 hours without meds before coming back in. They will be marked absent if they are out and not able to come in whether you live stream or not. Attendance guidelines mandate you are marked absent. Working on rules for truancy because they understand more kids will be home sick. Please still live stream or watch recorded sessions if teachers are doing that so you don't miss what is happening in class if you have to miss.
- Will still have late arrival and early dismissal for kids with study halls at 1st period and 8th period.
- If someone tests positive, the school will call to see how long Cuyahoga county wants them to quarantine or details they need to follow.

- Trying to keep 3 to 6 feet in the classroom as best as they can. Some lunch periods are finding kids not following protocol but staff is trying to maintain rules.
- 400 additional dividers are arriving and will try to maintain 3 feet in classrooms. Should be before Oct 26th so teachers can set their classes up. Kids won't be carrying home their dividers. Some classes won't need dividers because they can maintain 3-6 feet apart.
- Band will still stay split using auditorium stage for class. They will continue to do that. Choir can maintain distance in the classroom of 3-6 feet.
- Switch has been made to hourly for number of days mandated for school.
- OLA 8th graders will hopefully use media center or cafeteria with a proctor or in a classroom for PSAT.
- No school week of Thanksgiving.
- Hoping to maintain same teachers and schedules when returning on the 26th full time but until they have a final count on kids and number of kids per class coming back, they can't guarantee.
- If a child should miss a day of school after the 26th of October, Google Classroom will still be in place for seeing assignments.
- If county goes to purple the school will go to remote but will continue with current plan even if in red.
- Air quality concerns – they are encouraging teachers to open windows at some point during the day.
- OLA kids possibly will have a chance on the 23rd to walk the halls to see where their classes are if they are coming back.
- Putting two desks together would give a 3-foot distance and with masks on it's ok to be facing each other.
- Teachers with desks that need dividers they will be given them. Until numbers are finalized they won't know set up of classroom.
- Updated school calendar is on the BBH website. Kerry and Denise will post it on Facebook.
- Band will count as an elective and hopefully second semester will have more options.
- If you go on vacation no you are not going to be asked to quarantine. As a social responsibility we should do what we need to do and that is a family decision. In school they just ask to wear a mask.
- You don't have to take the bus both AM and PM and if you said you will use it you are not required to. Just wanted to get an idea on roughly who will be taking the bus. Bus riders have gone up 20% since the first survey in September.
- Universal screener starting Nov. 2nd, 4th and 9th depending on grade. Students not 12 years of age yet won't complete a self evaluation. Encouraging all teachers and parents to fill it out. It is a brief snap shot on mental health.
- Phone calls have been made asking kids to come in if they are at risk. Picked children who are failing 3 or 4 core classes. About 14 in each grade level. They will go four days a week to help if they are struggling to get through the classes.
- Concerns with teachers returning aren't really happening in the MS. Aware of the letter circulating but no concerns have come directly to Mr. Rings. Main focus needs to be on the kids and that is what he is trying to focus on and keeping the kids as safe as they can.

3 – Board Reports

- **Kerry and Denise President Report: (Spirit wear orders update, sign up incentives program)**
 - Finished and submitted spirit wear. About 80 orders and they should be in ready within a week or two.
 - Please remember to sign up for Heinen's rewards. Remember you must re-enroll every fall. Pick your school. You can go to customer service or online. Giant Eagle has discontinued their rewards program. Their funds will go to their hunger program this year. Apples for students should resume next year.
 - Working on Box Tops currently. Please go to the website for details.
 - November will be an evening meeting at 7 pm.
- **Michele Abraham 1st VP President Report:**
- **Deb Kuscevic 2nd VP President Report:**
- **Heather Pignatiello Treasurer Report:**
 - Haven't had a lot of transaction so far. Expenses out as of today are just \$405.
- **Teri Ferricci Recording Secretary Report:**
- **Dawn Partyka Communications Secretary Report:**
- **Tracy Scott & Ronda Strmac Council Delegates Report: (Oct PSO Council Mtg Recap)**
See PSO council mtg notes on website

4 – Committee Reports

- **Janelle Henning: Membership drive update, Facebook will be closed to non-members starting 11/1/20**
 - Excited for Up Hill Down Hill Run. All proceeds going to mental health program planning for the district. Encouraging it to be a family activity. Please include in your route a hill and will post a link to register on Facebook.
 - Membership drive wrapping up. Currently at 397 registrations so far. Last year was 480. **AS OF NOV 1st, ANYONE NOT A PAID MEMBER WILL BE REMOVED FROM FACEBOOK.** If name on Facebook is different than registered name just email Janelle and she will make sure she doesn't accidentally remove you.
 - Thanks to Maria Schneider as PSO staff liaison!
- **Sara Albrect: Virtual Book Fair Oct 11-24**
 - Links to get into book fair are on Facebook page. Log in to store or you can go to Scholastics online and search for school under Broadview Heights. Proceeds go to scholastic dollars. Anything over \$25 is free shipping and will go to your home. Website will be open for the whole year even if you go past the 24th and scholastic dollars will go to school. Website is more interactive so if kids want to go online they can do so. Looks like you are opening books as if you are in the store. More kid friendly.

4 – New Business

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6 – Adjournment

10:32 AM

Upcoming Dates Reminder

10/9 – NEOEA Day – No School

10/22 – End of 1st Grading Period

10/23 – Record Day – No School

10/26 – 5 Day in Person Begins

11/12 – November PSO Meeting @ 7pm

11/23 through 11/27 – Professional Development Days & Thanksgiving Break – No School

11/30 – 5 Day in Person Resumes (No remote period between breaks)