# **Beechwood High School**

# **School Based Decision Making Council**

## Call to Order:

Beechwood High School's SBDM Council meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. on Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 by Justin Kaiser. The following quorum was present for an open-session meeting:

Matthew Behrensmeyer, Tanya Boyle, Sally Grunkemeyer, Jodi Henry, Dawn Norris, Holly Pitts, and Eric Schlinger. Sarah Schobel was also present.

# Pledge to the Flag

### Agenda Approval:

• Motion to approve: Tanya Boyle. Second: Jodi Henry. Approved by voice vote.

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

• Motion to approve December minutes: Jodi Henry. Second: Sally Grunkemeyer. Approved by voice vote.

#### **Good News Report**

- Teachers and students of the month were recognized. Teachers: Flora Fields and Matthew Behrensmeyer. Students: Cheyenne Brandenburg and Jackie Tierney.
- The Boys Basketball team beat Newport Central Catholic for the first time.
- There are six Governor's Scholars: Noah Fisher, Claire Gregory, Lian Haney, Ellie Tierney, Jackie Tierney, and Molly Tierney.

#### **Audience of Citizens:**

• Ryan Booth, Caroline Macke, and Darlene Alley.

## **Old Business:**

• Following the December meeting, Healthy Visions informed Beechwood that they were withdrawing as a sex education curriculum provider. Ryan Booth presented sex education standards including the curriculum he teaches in health class as well as the supplemental materials that Healthy Visions provided. The floor was opened for the audience of citizens to present proposals for an alternative sex education curriculum. Caroline Macke presented two alternate forms of curriculum; Making Proud Choices, and Positive Prevention PLUS. Council will research and review both programs prior to the February meeting.

# **New Business:**

- Victora Jones presented a proposal for the creation of a new App Coding Club. The club would meet twice a week in the 304 computer lab. Motion to approve: Holly Pitts. Second: Eric Schlinger. Approved by voice vote.
- A presentation was given on the proposal for the creation of a seven-period schedule for the high school, beginning with the 2018-2019 school year. Presentation included research, data, the new accountability system, and needs assessment. Potential conflicts with the elementary, including lunch schedules, have been worked out and cleared. Reaction has been open and positive by parent and student groups. The additional period will be used for Learning Lab or remediation, unless a student elects to take an additional credit class. Classes would be reduced to 52 minutes with a four minute transition, and the school start time would move from 8:05 to 8:00.

#### **Meeting extension:**

• Motion to extend meeting to 7:00: Eric Schlinger. Second: Holly Pitts. Approved by voice vote.

# **Audience of Citizens:**

- Motion to move second audience of citizens to coincide with the seven period schedule discussion: Matthew Behrensmeyer. Second: Holly Pitts. Approved by voice vote.
- Stacy Behrensmeyer expressed a concern that there has not been sufficient teacher input on the seven-period schedule and that teachers may be under informed on the proposal. She expressed concerns about the increase of workload on both students and teachers.
- Darlene Alley spoke on the importance of informing students and parents on the value of Learning Labs or study halls to avoid a negative stigma for taking those classes.
- Motion to approve seven period schedule: Tanya Boyle. Second: Matthew Behrensmeyer. Approved by voice vote.

# **Meeting Extension:**

Motion to extend meeting to 7:10: Holly Pitts. Second: Dawn Norris. Approved by voice vote.

# **Budget Report:**

- Total available budget as of 9/1/17: \$8,291.02. Year to date expenditures: \$138,095.36.
- Activities budget will be made available in the Google Drive for members to review.

#### **Principal's Report:**

- Culture and Climate Committee will present a report on their activities in February with Curriculum Instruction in March.
- Student Growth Goals and Midterm Analysis have been submitted.
- A group of teachers will visit Madiera, Wyoming, and Marimont schools for observation.
- Michael Brinkman delivered a presentation on the Alternative High School Diploma program. This is for students in special education placement and identified for alternative curriculum. There is a mandate from the state to strengthen these programs. There are new standards that any student in alternative placement will be required to achieve.

# **Adjournment:**

- Motion to adjourn: Eric Schlinger. Second: Sally Grunkemeyer. Adjourned at 7:14.
- The next meeting is set for Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Submitted by Bryan Pitts