

Beechwood High School

School-Based Decision Making Council

Call to Order:

Beechwood High School's SBDM Council meeting was called to order at 3:26 p.m. on Monday, March 7, 2022 by Justin Kaiser. The following quorum was present for the meeting: Justin Kaiser, Jodi Henry, Sally Grunkemeyer, C.J. Fryer, Stephanie Schultz, and Drew Wesselkamper.

Pledge to the Flag

Agenda Approval:

- Motion to approve the agenda: C.J. Fryer. Second: Stephanie Schultz. Approved by consensus.

Approval of Minutes:

- Motion to approve the February SBDM Council regular meeting minutes: Jodi Henry. Second: C.J. Fryer. Approved by consensus.
- Motion to approve the February Curriculum/Instruction meeting minutes: Sally Grunkemeyer. Second: Jodi Henry. Approved by consensus.
- Motion to approve the February Culture/Climate meeting minutes: C.J. Fryer. Second: Jodi Henry. Approved by consensus.

Audience of Citizens:

- There was one member of the audience of citizens with no public comment.
- There were also two staff members in attendance to present later in the meeting.

Good News Report

- The *Holiday Inn* musical was wonderful.
- The counseling team is working hard on scheduling. Thank you to Mr. Brinkman with his leadership with this.
- SRO Month was February and we greatly appreciate Officer Pangallo.
- The EDGE days, Exhibition, and Expo were great events and provided great experiences for students.
- Commissioner Glass visited Beechwood and we have two other school districts visiting soon.
- Both middle school and high school forensics teams compete at state this year.
- Winterguard has one a few competitions and are doing very well!
- Staff had a Chili Cookoff put on by the Culture/Climate Committee and Lindsey Hughes won.
- Kate Nottingham is going to the Governor's Cup State Competition for Composition.
- Joshua Zyzak was first place in a BioChemistry competition for his research.
- Mike Gerst won the Golden Apple award and Ty Eviston won the Academic All-Star award.
- Lupita Diaz won state for the Poetry Out Loud competition.
- Andrea Saavedra Ferreira won state for the Educators Rising competition. For our first year, we had several students do very well at the competition.
- KUNA is on a middle school trip now and high school competes soon at the state level.
- Boys indoor track won 1st place at state!
- Our Georgetown partnership continues and they will be here on April 18th to talk with sophomores and juniors about our scholarship agreement based on GPA and ACT.
- Thomas More met with Beechwood last week about partnering and aligning courses with our EDGE minors.
- PTSA is helping us by purchasing a new podium, DFCA rewards, and after prom. Many thanks to them!
- Mr. Fryer presented at EdCamp on Educators Rising. We had several other staff who also attended.

Old Business

- No old business this month.

New Business:

- Our March 1 staffing allocations are exactly the same as this year (no additional and no less staff). However, we will see what we get as final allocations by May 1st.
- The March 1 estimated budget was also shared. This is a bit lower than this year but it is based on the fees that have already been collected this year. This will likely go up as we collect more fees.
- Mr. Bates presented the math department work this year as well as the process for looking into new math texts/resources over the course of the last two years. The math department proposes purchasing enVision on a 6-year contract for 7th grade, 8th grade, and Algebra I. The 6-year contract is proposed because it is the same cost as a 2-year contract. Motion to approve the proposed textbook adoption: Stephanie Schultz. Second: Jodi Henry. Approved by consensus.

Budget Report:

- Council reviewed the SBDM Council and activities budget along with expenditures.

Principal's Report:

- Stanford 10 data looked good when compared to 2020 data. We have used this data for scheduling courses.
- Junior ACT is tomorrow. All sophomores and seniors who have not made benchmark will test on Wednesday.
- After prom is occurring at Beechwood. A group of parents is meeting regularly to plan.
- The Board of Education is deciding next week whether to approve a schedule change after Spring Break. This would cause high school to be 8:00 am - 3:00 pm and elementary to be 8:15 am - 3:00 pm for a common dismissal time. This will allow us to prepare for what next

year would be like. During the last week of school (May 24 - 27), we would close the high school loop to test what next year would be like with all dropping off and picking up on the elementary side.

- Trailers will arrive in June. For teachers who are moving classrooms, storage will be in the Aux Gym until trailers arrive.
- EDGE updates were presented. We are working on building the Sustainability and Environmental Engineering (SEE) curriculum as well as what is needed for that lab space in the new building. We will conduct site visits as we learn throughout this process. We will also refine curriculum and work on designing the lab space for the BioMed lab, Information Technology (formerly Computer Science), and Media Design.
- Impact data was shared about culture/climate and comparisons to 2020 and other schools.
- We are looking at two ACT assessment/prep programs that could potentially be used with 9th, 10th, and 11th grades as well as for seniors who have not met benchmark.
- We will have a professional development session on teachers' smart TVs in August.
- Seniors will get to take Chromebooks when they graduate.
- We have applicants for the open English and Science teaching positions. We will do meet and greets on March 29th and 31st. We will then interview after Spring Break.
- We will review the stipends that SBDM pays for next month.
- Departments will work on the purchasing cycle and course fees this spring.
- AP Saturday is March 19th.
- Teachers are working on peer observations.
- We will have summer tutoring sessions for those that need additional intervention based on data.
- We will use APEX this summer again for credit recovery for those that fail courses.
- Now that students have completed schedule requests for next year, we will start working on the number of courses and the master schedule.
- Dates and upcoming events were reviewed.

Adjournment:

- The next meeting will be April 11, 2022 at 3:15 pm.
- Motion to adjourn: Stephanie Schultz. Second: Jodi Henry. Approved by consensus. Adjourned at 4:42 pm.
- Submitted by Sarah Schobel.