

Beechwood High School

School Based Decision Making Council

Call to Order:

Beechwood High School's SBDM Council meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. on Tuesday, October 3rd, 2017 by Justin Kaiser. The following quorum was present for an open-session meeting:

Matthew Behrensmeyer, Sally Grunkemeyer, Jodi Henry, Dawn Norris, and Holly Pitts.

Pledge to the Flag

Agenda Approval:

- Motion to approve: Holly Pitts. Second: Dawn Norris. Approved by voice vote.

Approval of Minutes:

- Motion to approve August minutes: Sally Grunkemeyer. Second: Jodi Henry. Approved by voice vote.

Good News Report

- The first Senior Sibs event was held last Friday.
- NHS has been helping out with a number of service projects. NHS has also been working with NKYAB, which blends service projects with college readiness.
- Beechwood has two national merit semifinalists, Tanvi Brar and Tanner Stacy. Two other students, John Taylor and Charlie Stacy, received commendations.
- The History Channel is scheduled to attend a Veteran's Day event on November 8th, which will include a number of activities.

Audience of Citizens:

- None

Budget Report:

- Total available budget as of 10/2/17: \$22,779.76. Year to date expenditures: \$104,103.70.
- An explanation was given on the funding and usage of Ignition Training. Teams will donate a portion of fundraising to Ignition in exchange for usage.
- Activities accounts were reviewed.

Old Business:

- A second reading was held for the SBDM Bylaws for the 2017-2018 school year. A recommendation was made to elect a vice-chair at the November meeting to comply with bylaw. The bylaws, with revisions, will be up for approval at the November meeting.
- An update was given on possible changes to the selection process for class valedictorian. Department chairs have been asked to get input from their respective department members on the policy. Input is expected to be submitted to SBDM for consideration by the December meeting.

New Business:

- Updates were given on data from K-PREP, ACT, and AP. In K-PREP, Beechwood is well above the state average for Reading, Math, Social Studies, and Writing. However, the Hispanic population is below the state average. For ACT, English, Math, Reading, Science, and composite scores are also all above the state average.
- An update was given on faculty work session planning for the remainder of the school year, specifically in regard to professional learning.
- There are four required policies that are listed in the bylaws that do not exist. Those will be addressed and created one at a time. A policy on School Space Use will be on the agenda for the November meeting.

Audience of Citizens:

- None

Principal's Report:

- Bullying prevention week was held last week. Michael Brinkman and Sarah Schobel addressed 7th through 12th graders on bullying prevention topics.
- Departments have been providing copies of agendas and minutes from department day meetings.
- The math department has moved to examine other schools who use Springboard and have high AP pass rates. They have also begun collecting errors that are found in the math Springboard book.
- A report was presented on Missing Piece Review results. Tracking growth in 9-12 grades is a possible area for targeting growth. TELL Survey data is also listed for improvements.
- A brief update was given on OECD testing. Results are expected between mid-November and mid-December.
- An update was given on the Cerkl newsletter.

Adjournment:

- Motion to adjourn: Jodi Henry. Second: Dawn Norris. Adjourned at 6:43.
- The next meeting is set for Wednesday, November 1st, 2017.

Submitted by Bryan Pitts