



MINUTES

Brittonkill PTSA Meeting Minutes

June 11, 2024/ 6:30pm | Meeting called to order by

President, Kim Santandera

In Attendance

Kim Santandera- President, Lori Lewis- Vice President, Christy Fortin - Secretary, Chelsea Stevenson - Treasurer, Crystal Barry, Holly Gregg - NY PTSA

Amanda Lynch, Tara Cohen, David Bader, Vincenza Bader, Max Bloomfield*, Iris Bloomfield*, Meg Bloomfield*, Henry Bloomfield* Jocelyn Cook, Judi Cook, Kelly Ryan, Jennifer Teichner, Katie Norkun, Maria Black, Stacey Werger, Logan Plasse, Andrea Welder, Zack Metzger, Annie Metzger, Monica Allin, Katie Kasper, Julianne Messia, Madeline Messia, Jennifer Mann, Delphine Mann, Tallulah Mann, Merinda Hull, Marietta Yetto, Sophie Yetto, Louise Hardy, Thomas Hardy, Angelina Maloney, Kate Welsh, Riley Clayton* Quinn Clayton* Lydia Shorter, Chelsea Anderson, Carol Crucetti, Emily Goodenough, Ryan Goodenough, Michaela Hilton, Jessica Antini, Jessica Lee, Sophia Lee, Anthony Lee, April Bakus, Matthew Jones, Heather Jones, Nate Jones, Raymond DeWire, Blythe DeWire, Phil DeWire, Lily Cohen, Ravi Cohen, Ender Cohen, Benjamin Cohen, Kendyl Santandera, Aaron Santandera, Rob Fortin, Aubrie Fortin, Robbie Fortin, Sheri Lewis, Mckenna Lewis, Ellie Kempter, Mason Kempter, Andrew Jarmak, Kalianna Chapman-Jarmak, Lauren Bulson, Oakley Bulson, Brittany Fitzmaurice, Shane Kelly, Caron Kelly* Carol Rosbozom, Emma Rosbozom, Hazel Dickerson, Daniel Lynch, Tim Rahn, Karissa Centanni, Brittany DeWire, Alicia Bassey, Willa Metzger, Brenda-lee Rafferty, Pyper Bliss-Rafferty, Anais Vazquez*, Casey Castiglione

*not paid member of PTSA

Approval of Minutes

Christy Fortin - May minutes read/approved

Elections Rules and Voting for 2024-2026 Executive Board - Holly Gregg

Must be a paid member as of 6pm today to vote in elections. Currently have 177 paid members.

Nominating committee recommends the following:

President - Lori Lewis

Vice President - Kim Santandera

Secretary - Katie Chapman

Treasurer - Chelsea Stevenson

Intent to run from the floor:

President - Brittany DeWire

Vice President - Tara Cohen

Voting:

Secretary - voice vote; Congrats Katie Chapman!

Treasurer - voice vote; Congrats Chelsea Stevenson!

President & Vice President - ballots passed out to all eligible members; voting closed at 7:01pm Holly and Crystal will count votes while the meeting continues.

Ballot Results:

92 present, 82 voting members

Vice President - Tara Cohen (31 votes) Kim Santander (51 votes); Congrats Kim Santandera!

President - Brittany DeWire (31 votes) Lori Lewis (51 votes); Congrats Lori Lewis!

Treasurers Report - Chelsea Stevenson

Field Day came in on budget, there is money remaining for us to rent the bounce house again for the 4th and 5th grades that did not get to use it because of the rain.

Principals Report - Kelly Onorato

-New ELA curriculum Wonders 2023 has arrived and teachers have been training

-School wide movie day for reaching RMHC goal was celebrated with viewing of One & Only Ivan in district auditorium while teachers trained on new Wonders program

-New year school will be offering both 4th AND 5th grade band, information night on 6/18 for parents and students

-There have been lots of field trips in all grades the last few months; 5th grade to camp chingachgook and courthouse, 3rd grade to valley cats, 2nd grade to a play and more!

-Field day was a huge success despite the rain, most students got to do all the activities and enjoy the Kona Ice

-June report cards will be printed and on the parent portal. Families should be signing up for the portal if they do not already use it for a secondary student. One account is needed per family and you can add more students. The parent portal is the only place teacher assignments will be found later in the summer for the new school year.

Superintendent Update - Dr. Maloney

Capital Vote/Budget; thank you for voting! Seeking state ed approval immediately for funds to start security upgrades, elementary roof and new track & field/drainage (hoping to break ground May 2025 and finish in fall). Next round of approvals would be for plumbing/HVAC and other sport fields, these fields will take longer.

Explanation of Title Grants and where money is divided/spent:

Title 1: Money for 2 reading teachers and a math specialist to help kids with gaps in learning.

Title 2A: Professional Development and Substitute teachers

Title 3: Materials for students studying English as a new language

Title 4: Dropout prevention/SRO funding

Mr. Huerter is working on a gaming prototype called Map Venture and will be looking for students in grades 3-6 to test the game and provide feedback, more info to come this week.

Summer Scholars - This program was funded with Covid money that is mostly exhausted. This year there will be limited courses for elementary and secondary will have credit recovery for high school and some tutoring for middle school. PTSA is going to look into subsidizing additional funding to offer more classes and possibly assist in years to come so the program can still be offered.

Open Discussion

1. Refreshments and cookies have been ordered by us for all moving up ceremonies; PK, K, 5th, 8th and graduation.
2. Hollywood Drive in night at the movies was a huge success! We had over 90 families that enjoyed a free movie and popcorn at this give back event.
3. Field Day was a huge success despite the midday rain. We had 50 volunteers and provided them and the staff lunch from Patricellis. Next year we will need 2 bounce houses as the line was long. We were able to serve Kona Ice to all and the Prismatic Magic assembly was loved by students! We are looking into other programs they offer for another assembly next year for both buildings.
4. First Draft of 2024-2025 PTSA budget was read by Chelsea and approved. Final Budget will be presented in September.
5. Ryan Goodenough (BOE Member) encouraged families to come to the BOE meeting with concerns about teachers and curriculum as that is the best place to provide feedback.
6. Dr. Maloney discussed the return of Parent University that they had years ago where parents could come and hear information about things important to them (safe use of social media, drugs/alcohol, time management, etc) ... what would we like to see? The vaping presentation provided by the county last year did not have a lot of draw and they would like to provide programing on things we would like to hear about. Please let her know if you have suggestions.

Next Meeting

Have a great summer and we will see you all in September!

