

**BHHS PTO General Meeting**  
**November 11, 2019**  
**9:30-11am**

**Attendance:** Anna Barlow, Catherine Daneshvar, Ladan Lamer, Denise Ullem, Shirley Olney, Paul Kolin, Sarah Cheng, Sue Brodsky, Leah Abel, Paula Lynn, Barb Kaufman, Toni Jordan, Jenny Thai-Tang, Jessica Rankin, Michelle Feneberg, Bettina Boch, Laura Silberman, Zarine Torrey

1. **Call to Order:** 11:07am
  - a. Recognition – Veterans Day. Thank you to all that have served our country. Thank you for your service, protection and support. Recognize all BHHS Principals for Principals Month. Presented them with a Thank you cookie cake
2. **Review and Approval of Minutes** – Zarine Torrey
  - a. Approved: Paula Lynn / Seconded: Laura Silberman
3. **Treasurer's Report** – Barb Kaufman  
Any receipts send to Megan Johnston
4. **Principal's Report** – Charlie Hollerith
  - a. **Special Focus BYA** – Denise Ullem – talked about the purpose of BYA and the resources offered such as caseworkers, Vaping program, Real Talk club, Screenagers and Angst.
  - b. **Alternative to Suspension Program Contract for Vaping** – Asst. Principal Cathy. Went over the contract. This year we have addressed with 10 students. Students caught in possession or using. Program takes 4 weeks to complete. Complete VapeEd program, BYA involvement with caseworker and community service, BBCC – Covey 7 habits goal setting (book) and reflection paper
  - c. **Be nice** – (Notice, Invite, Challenge, Empower). Mental health education, bully, and suicide prevention initiative that creates a positive cultural change through simple daily actions
5. **President's Report** – Anna Barlow / Catherine Daneshvar
  - a. **Volunteer Support** – for November Progress Conferences (dinner 1<sup>st</sup> day). Bus Driver Appreciation – (fun facts) 30 buses, transport 550 students every day, travel total 1,677 miles/day, 1,175 = 502 (special needs students). Perfect state inspections for 27 years, lead mechanic Rich Hella is an Air Force Veteran
  - b. **PTO Grants** – to fund ideas to support student learning and activities. Each grant is \$1000 up to \$4000 total. If greater membership and additional funds, may be able to fund more later on. We had 16 requests totaling \$14,535. Who can apply? Students – Teachers – Administrators – Staff – Club Advisors and coaches that are not supported by a Booster. Consideration for support: 1. The number of people affected by the grant, 2. The length of the impact of the grant, 3. Whether the project is new vs ongoing support or replacement support, 4. Whether or not the project enhances the BHHS Black Hawk community. PTO recommended \$4,355. Grants were discussed and approved by general membership. Grants to be presented on 11/22 to approved requests.
  - c. **BHS Foundation**
    1. Foundation Grants – 47 in review equaling about \$70K. Will be awarded on 11/22

2. Annual Giving Campaign – Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> – Dec 31<sup>st</sup>. Proceeds fund teaching grants for 2020/21. All donors eligible for drawing to win 2 tickets to CeleBHration.
3. BHHS Soup – Micro grant fundraiser planned for February – more information to come
4. Foundation Gala “A Taste of Bloomfield” – Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup>. Local restaurants serve food samples, students provide sample performances from recent/upcoming productions, grant winners will demonstrate sample grants in action, proceeds to fund vital school programs

## 6. Committee Reports

- a. **Make a Difference Day (MADD)** Recap – Barb Kaufman, Laura Silberman  
Saturday, October 26, 2019. Over 150 students, staff, families from BHS volunteered, Packed 30,500 pounds of apples to be part of over 24,000 meals. Collected 3,333 pounds (providing 2,766 meals), raised \$4,700 for Gleaners
- b. **Multicultural Celebration** – Catherine and Anna Barlow  
Save the Date Monday March 30<sup>th</sup>. Support local restaurant fundraisers – monthly. First one is November 13<sup>th</sup> “Mediterranean Night” at Damas on Orchard Lake or La Marsa on Woodward Avenue. 15% of order will go towards celebration  
November – Theme selection  
December – Participation Packets  
February 5<sup>th</sup> – Responses due  
March 24<sup>th</sup> – Photos of display due
- c. **Bloomfield Youth Assistance (BYA)**  
Angst will be on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm at BHHS auditorium. A documentary that focuses on childhood anxiety and features children affected by anxiety with commentary by mental health professionals. Recommended for 5<sup>th</sup> grade and up. Followed by breakout sessions by school. Screenagers will be on February 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm BHHS auditorium. First Real Talk club was on November 6<sup>th</sup>. Attendees were presented with club outlines and questionnaire on their needs. Volunteer caseworker was present. Any questions, 248-341-5680.  
[www.bloomfield.org/community/community-organizations/bya](http://www.bloomfield.org/community/community-organizations/bya)
- d. **Sports and Club Update** – Paul Kolin
  - Boys Football team won their final game of the season at Rochester
  - Girls Cross Country team won their regional and participated in the state finals meet
  - Girls Swim and Dive team won their league championship
  - The following Thursday 11/20-11/22 is our BHHS play “Fiddler on the Roof”
  - Our Model UN team kicked off their season yesterday as 15 of our students helped chair and lead some of the rooms in this non completion
  - Girls Volleyball made it all the way to District finals, losing a close match. Their Volleyball for a Cause night raised thousands of dollars
  - Orchestra and Choir had another concert night in front of the community
  - Incredible turnout for Unity Day at the high school as the entire student leadership wore Orange and posed for pictures outside during advisory.

- Student Leadership had a Halloween event at the high school for the faculty and their families with trick or treat stations and a pumpkin patch
- e. **Global Education Team (GET)** – Anna Barlow  
Looks at what is happening with equity lens to build equitable, inclusive and restorative culture. *Troublemakers* by Carla Shalaby – GET reading and discussion, Inclusive calendar of cultural observations that the school community can use for awareness and planning, Dismantling Racism – 2 day workshop, families and staff Nov 11-12, Feb 3-4, Apr 27-28 at Booth Center
- f. **Social Media update** – Paula Lynn  
Have close to 700 people on Facebook page. Discussions in place on allowing administration to be on page.
- g. **Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) Special Education** – Jennifer Perrone  
Upcoming event on Wednesday November 13<sup>th</sup> at Booth. Parent Support Gathering. Each month, parents/caregivers have the opportunity to receive educational opportunities that focus on specific topics relevant to caring for a child with special/unique needs. Follow the public PAC Facebook page: BloomfieldPAC
- 7. **BHS District Update** – Paul Kolin
  - a. Parenting Fair – good speakers
  - b. Superintendent Search – Interviews are open to the public and recorded. Interviews November 13<sup>th</sup> at Booth Center. 2-3:15 – Mr. Patrick Watson (Principal of West Bloomfield High School), 5:30-6:45pm – Mr. Robert Durecka (Principal of West Hills Middle School) and 7 – 8:15pm – Dr. Matthew Outlaw (Superintendent of Brandon School District (MI)). Recording available November 14<sup>th</sup> by 2pm.
  - c. Student Interns – Appointed on our Board the first ever student interns, Lexie Finkelstein and Kiersten McCollum, the first advisory council is Maggie Eisenberg, Bryce Gutowsky, Esshika Dadeesh, Paul Silas and Cassie English. They will develop ways to gather student feedback and initiate student concerns to Board
  - d. Scope of Design – Barb Kaufman – on a preliminary project path. Possible consolidation of schools in the district.
- 8. Old Business
- 9. New Business
- 10. Adjourn

### **Community Well-Being Activities**

1. **SafeTALK – Suicide Prevention Training** – ages 15+ at Oakland County Executive Building Conference Center on Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> 1-4pm, Monday February 10, 2020 1-4:30pm, Monday May 18, 2020 8:30-12pm. Register online. Contact: Kat Polmear 248-858-7171 or [polmeark@oakgov.com](mailto:polmeark@oakgov.com)
2. **Family Sign Language Classes** – every Monday evening through 11/25 6:30-8pm at Eastover Elementary School

## Alternative to Suspension Program Contract for Vaping

*The alternative to suspension program is designed to support and educate students caught vaping or being in possession of vaping materials on any school or district property and/or is facing school consequences for being caught vaping or being in possession of vaping materials. Through successful completion of this program students will learn healthy habits and be educated on the harmful effects of substance use, will be able to continue participating in school sports/activities and will not be suspended from school classes. This program typically takes 4 weeks to complete.*

### Student Information

Referral Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of offense: \_\_\_\_\_

Initial Length of Suspension: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you participate in a school sport or activity: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes" please list all: \_\_\_\_\_

### Program Requirements

#### BHHS Components of the Program

1. Completion of VapeEd program (online) DUE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Student will meet at least once during the program with the following staff members:
  - a. Associate principal (Coordinator of program) DATE: \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Counselor DATE: \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. School liaison officer DATE: \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. Athletic trainer and/or district athletic director as appropriate DATE: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Panel presentation (or other approved presentation), in conjunction with BYA and BBCC, at the end of program on learning WEEK OF: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Student/family evaluation form DUE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Bloomfield Youth Assistance Components of the Program DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Family meeting with caseworker
2. Substance abuse inventory to be completed by student
3. Follow-up case worker meetings
4. Community service

#### Birmingham Bloomfield Community Coalition Components of the Program

1. Covey 7 Habits goal setting BOOK RECEIVED ON: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Reflection paper DUE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

### Student/Family Acknowledgement

I acknowledge vaping and/or being in possession of vaping materials and agree to complete all components of the alternative to suspension program for Vaping. This educational program is in partnership with Bloomfield Youth Assistance for the benefit of the student. I understand if I do not



**PLEASE JOIN US!**  
**Nov 13, 2019**  
**"MEDITERRANEAN NIGHT"**  
**2020 DISTRICT WIDE**  
**MULTICULTURAL**  
**CELEBRATION**  
**FUNDRAISER**

**VISIT ONE OF THE PARTICIPATING**  
**RESTAURANTS ON NOV 13 FOR**  
**LUNCH/DINNER (DINE IN/CARRYOUT)**  
**15% OF YOUR BILL WILL GO TOWARD FUNDING THE**  
**2020 DISTRICT WIDE MULTICULTURAL CELEBRATION**

**hosted by the**  
**BHS PTO Council**

**"Come Enjoy Mediterranean Cuisine" and help us fund the District Wide BHS March 30, 2020 Multicultural Celebration. Mention "BHS 2020" when you visit or order from these participating locations for us to receive 15% of your order.**

**Damas**

28841 Orchard Lake Rd,  
Farmington Hills, MI

**La Marsa**

43259 Woodward Ave  
Bloomfield Hills, MI

**Questions? Please email [BHMulticulturalCelebration@gmail.com](mailto:BHMulticulturalCelebration@gmail.com)**



# Dismantling RACISM

A retreat to form healthier *communities*

## facilitated by:

**Margaret Schultz**  
*Administrator for Social  
Emotional Learning and  
Educational Equity  
Bloomfield Hills Schools*

**Bill Boyle**  
*Consultant, coach, and facilitator  
specializing in Restorative  
Practices and Equity Literacy*

**Chapri Paulateer**  
*Consultant and facilitator  
specializing in Anti-Racism and  
Equity*

Racism is a fierce, ever-present, challenging force, one which has structured the thinking, behavior, and actions of individuals and institutions since the beginning of U.S. history (The Racial Equity Institute, LLC, 2018).

To begin the process of understanding and dismantling racism, we will bring together diverse people from our communities to explore our own racial identities, and understand how the social construction of race and the history of oppression has contributed to current societal issues that impact our schools, work and neighborhoods. Through structured dialogues and protocols, participants will experience personal growth and development as well as tools to deconstruct racism within our communities.

**Three  
2-day  
sessions  
offered**

November 11 & 12, 2019  
8:00am - 4:00pm  
Bloomfield Hills Schools  
Booth Center

February 3 & 4, 2020  
8:00am - 4:00pm  
Bloomfield Hills Schools  
Booth Center

April 27 & 28, 2020  
8:00am - 4:00pm  
Bloomfield Hills Schools  
Booth Center

**Register at [www.bloomfield.org/dismantle](http://www.bloomfield.org/dismantle)**

## Important Dates

### November

**11/11 PTO Meeting 9:30 AM - Veteran's Day**

11/12-11/13 Progress Conferences 4-7 PM

11/20 Screenagers @7pm @ International Academy Okma

11/21 Multicultural Celebration Meeting 12-2pm @ BTPL

11/21 Fiddler on the Roof 7-11pm

11/22 Fiddler on the Roof 7-11pm

11/23 Fiddler on the Roof 2-5pm

11/26 Thanksgiving break - half day

11/27-29 Thanksgiving break - no school

### December

Staff Appreciation

12/2 Angst - Film / Panel Discussion 7pm @ BHHS

12/4 **SafeTALK** : Suicide Prevention Training 1-4pm

12/6 Thes Fest 7-10pm

12/7 SAT Testing 8am-1pm @ BHHS

12/12 Multicultural Celebration Meeting 12-2pm @ BTPL

12/17-18 Collage Concert [Band-Orchestra-Choir] 7-10pm

12/23 - 1/3 Winter Break - no school

### January

1/3 FRC Robotics 3-10pm

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**1/13 Evening PTO Meeting - 7-8:30pm**

1/20 No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

1/21-24 Final Exams - ½ days - Dismissal @ 10:45am

1/27 Second Semester Begins

### February

2/8 ACT Testing 8am-1pm @ BHHS

**2/10 PTO Meeting 9:30-11am**

2/14 Half Day

2/17 No School - Presidents Day

2/23 Metro Parent Camp Expo 11am-3:30pm @ BHHS

2/25 Screenagers Film / Panel Discussion 7pm @ BHHS

### **SPOTLIGHT ON:**

**SENIORS:** FAFSA, SENIOR PICTURES, ALL NIGHT PARTY COMMITTEE / VOLUNTEERING / TICKETS, COLLEGE APPLICATIONS, YEARBOOKS, SENIOR RECOGNITION AD, MULTICULTURAL CELEBRATION

**JUNIORS:** SAT/ACT TESTING, YEARBOOKS, MULTICULTURAL CELEBRATION, COMMUNITY SERVICE, NHS

**SOPHOMORES:** PARKING RAFFLE, MYP PROJECT PROGRESS, YEARBOOK, MULTICULTURAL CELEBRATION, COMMUNITY SERVICE, NHS

**FRESHMAN:** YEARBOOK, COMMUNITY SERVICE