

SBDM Beechwood Elementary Minutes

2025-2026 (TENTATIVE UNTIL APPROVED)

Date

6.3.26

Time

3:30pm

Location

Elementary Conference Room

I. Call to Order

Members Present: Zach Ashley, Alicia Wittmer, Stephanie Wessel, Ashley Chaiken, Christopher Korba

II. Opening Business 3:30pm

- a. June Agenda Approval - 1st Korba, 2nd Wessel
- b. May Minutes Approval - 1st Korba, 2nd Chaiken
- c. Good News Report
 1. Kindergarten and Senior Walk continued to be a unique event appreciated by our soon to be 1st graders and our soon to be Alumni.
 2. The Kindergarten Promotional Ceremony went well on a beautiful evening and was appreciated by Kindergarten families. Lots of pictures and memories were made.
 3. Field days were fun for students and our parent/adult volunteers. Another great job by Kendra Stanley organizing and coordinating this event.
 4. The 6th grade promotion ceremony was a great send off to our soon to high school 7th graders. Thanks to the PTSA and parents who organized the reception and "glow party" that followed.
 5. Mr. Ashley shared his appreciation for all the special events and activities that happen at the end of the year. Everyone (parents, students, PTSA, staff and teachers) work extremely hard to make the end of the year special for students and families. Great end of the school year!
 6. Our staff participated in an Amazing Race team building activity which was fun for all.

7. The Beechwood Educational Foundation gave four awards (2 - Certified/2 Classified) to Dawn Norris, Maria Ahlers, Emily Richey, Jay
- d. Public Comment: Katrina Turner (incoming council member)

III. School Improvement Planning:

- a. Student Placement Process - process is still underway, input has been shared and drafts have been made, these will be finalized by August 1st and shared with students and families.
- b. 6th grade has one elective which at times can be changed up to three weeks into the school year, the elementary works to align with high school on dates

IV. Student Achievement Report/Data

- a. MAP Growth 2025-2026 - the highest growth we have seen since beginning MAP testing.
- b. KSA Testing went well, parents did a great job of getting students to school and ready for testing.

V. Budget Report

- a. Budget Update - Mr. Ashley updated the council on the end of the year financial status.
- b. Funding Requests -
 - a. Mrs. Rheude requested English 3D as a program to work with ELL students, we are awaiting a quote from HMMH.
 - b. Go Guardian is approved for 4th-6th grade. Approximate cost \$ 3.40 per student (\$1200) teacher training is very important in launching this program.

VI. ByLaw or Policy Review/Reading/Adoption

- a. Title Update - no new update
- b. Handbooks 2026-2027 - Handbooks will be added to drive for the council review, Mr. Ashley asked the council to please review prior to the July meeting and be prepared to suggest any changes.

VII. Program Review/AdHoc Committee Reports

- a. Reports/Minutes - None.

VIII. New Business

- a. Principals Report (Elections, Job Opening/Process) - Mr. Ashley updated the council on opening/new hires.
 - a. SBDM Elections are complete.
 - b. Job Openings
 - i. Preschool Classified Assistant - Ashley Rouse
 - ii. Elementary Music - Internal Transfer - Jayna Bromley
 - iii. 5th Grade Science - applications currently being accepted, Mr. Ashley will involve SBDM in that process.
 - iv. School Fees - Mr. Ashley shared the changes in school fees approved by the Board of Education. Specifically, Field Trip Fees are assessed at one time as an addition to school fees.
- b. Tuition/Enrollment - Mr. Ashley shared current enrollment numbers and tuition updated numbers.

IX. Upcoming Deadlines/Agendas/Meetings

- a. Newsletter/Dates - Busy time of year, lots of end of the year activities, summer opportunities and save the dates for 2026-2027.
- b. SBDM Meetings - first Wednesday of the month, except July, and fall break, July 8th at 11:00am will be the first new session, every meeting after that is at 3:30pm in the conference room.

IX. Adjournment: 4:24 1st - Ashley 2nd - Chaiken

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