



BHHS PTSA General Meeting Minutes March 27, 2026 9:00am in EDC

In Attendance - HaRim Lee, Clio Bitboul, Michelle Saraf, Deborah Termeie, Erica Melville, Teresa Davis, Tina Richner, Meira Leeds, Raquel Vivianco, Jose Vivianco, Gavy Alexander, Rose Kaiserman, Marjan Nejouray, Shirin Lavi, Kathy Zarabi, Nazila Mansourie, Michelle Yarsharpour, Shannon Kobielsuz, Rozita Yacobi, Claire Risoli, Paul Walmsley, June Forston, Jenn Pedersen, Ellie Yadegar, Tannaz Fouladi, Lisa Babcock, Kristina Straub, Nathan Kruger

Welcome - The meeting was called to order by Jenn Pedersen at 9:19am. Shannon Kobielsuz led the flag salute.

Approval of Minutes: The Feb 23rd General Meeting minutes were presented. Tina Richner moved to approve the minutes and Clio Bitboul seconded. The motion passed.

Financial Report - Jill Egerman read the financial report for February. The opening balance was \$200,599.57, closing balance was \$203,081.48. A deposit was received in the amount of \$2,468.23. No checks were issued this month. This report will be filed for financial records.

President's Report / Upcoming Events : The Musical Six had a very successful run. Last week was the Senior Breakfast. PTSA is sponsoring \$1,000 in scholarships for graduating seniors. The next spotlight lunch is coming up on April 16th. Senior movie night on the field with an InNOout truck is coming up. Spirit week is next week. The CAASP carnival will be on May 1st for all students. The Apple Awards is back - May 21st at Beverly Cannon Gardens. Mr Lee was the winner from BHHS.

Reflections Participant Recognition: Reflections Chair Michelle Yarsharpour recognized the BHHS Reflections Contest Finalists including Serentiy Porso for Photography, Elliot Yi for Visual Art, Audriana Levian for Literature, Hannah Davis for Musica Competition, Haley Scholer for Dance Choreography and Gemma Porso was awarded honorable mention.

Election of 2026/2027 Exec Board: Parliamentarian Hilla Carrel read the sections of the bylaws pertaining to elections. Nominating Committee chair Liz Nejad read the slate from the February meeting, with the change of Shirin Lavi as Treasurer, and VP Hospitality is now vacant. The positions were called one at a time, and no nominations were made from the floor. A voice vote was held, and the following were elected as 2026/2027 BHHS PTSA Exec Board:: President - Jenn Pedersen, EVP- Ellie Yadegar, Recording Secretary - Jill Egerman, Treasurer - Shirin Lavi, Financial Secretary - Nathan Kruger, Auditor - Meira Leeds, Historian - HaRim Lee, VP Programs & Events - Nazilla Sanieoff, VP Volunteers - Kathy Zarrabi, VP Staff Appreciation - Gaby Alexander, VP Communications - Sophia Rumanes, VP Hospitality - vacant. Thank you once again to the Nominating Committee of Liz Nejad, Shirin Lavi and Michelle Yarsharpour. Congratulations to the incoming board!

Principal's Report: Shannon Kobielsuz discussed the successful run of the Musical Six. Spring sports are happening. Games of the week will be promoted by PTSA. There will be a lawn opening for students only in mid April. There will be a community day for the lawn in mid May. State testing and APs are coming up.

Special Presentation on College Prep: The parent panel consisted of Lorraine Eastman, who had 3 children go through BHHS and attended 3 different universities. Rose Kaierman had 2 kids go through BHHS with 2 different universities. Ellie Yadegar is a current parent of a 12th grader. Kim Hartley is a current parent of a 12th grader. The counselors were Matthew Negersmith and Erik Sanchez.

There was a lot of helpful advice including: go visit campuses to see the size, programs, weather, city & vibes. Start the activities list, start essay and the whole process in the summer. Choose a path, and do activities that fit it. Make sure the essay is in the student's voice. Most schools require you to choose a major. BHHS hosts college essay workshops in the fall. Counselors also help.. SAT prep classes are offered in the spring. Read the college newsletter. There are many college representatives that visit. For SMC and concurrent enrollment, be cautious because the grades are official for SMC. Be sure the student can balance. If they exceed a certain number of units, they may have too many to be a smc scholar. AP classes have different requirements for credit. Only passing AP scores need to be sent. Gap year recommendations would be based on individual conversations. Some colleges like U of Arizona have specific programs for students with learning differences. Tips for parents of current 11th grade students: Start working on essay and your student's story this summer. Input activities in Naviance. Meet with a counselor during the summer. Follow up on deadlines for sports tryouts. Have the students do an internship that fits their story. Research the colleges to see what would be a good fit. Create a portfolio if needed.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned by Jenn Pedersen at 10:42 am.

With thanks to Hilla Carrel for taking notes,
Minutes submitted by Jill Egerman, Recording Secretary.

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NAME	ROOM	TIME IN	MEMBER?	MINUTE
1. Ha Rim Lee		9:00	YES	38
2. Clio Bittboul		9:10 AM	YES	5
3. Michelle Sarraf		9:00 am	YES	3
4. Debrah Temu		9:05 am	YES	
5. Erica McMillan		9:00	NO	
6. Teresa Davis				
7. Tina Richner (onstine)		9 am	YES	1 hr.
8. Meira Leeds		9 am	NO	
9. Rupal Viana		9 AM	YES	
10. Joe Viana		9 AM	YES	
11. Gaby Alexander		9	Y	so many
12. Rose Kasman		9 am	NO	
13. Marjan Nebouray		9:00	NO	
14. Shireen Lavi		9:00	Y	40
15. Kathy Zarabi		9:00	Y	2
16. Nazila Mansourie	Sanraf # 9		yes	
17. Michelle Vashmpar		8:30 am	yes	5
18. Shannon Kosielski		9:00 am		
19. Rozita C. Yacobi		9:00 am	YES	-
20. Claire Risold		9 A	NO	-
21. Paul G. Wamsley		0900	NO.	
22. June Forstou		9:00 AM	YES	1h.
23. Jenn Pedersen		9:00 AM	YES	
24. Ellie Yadegar		9:00 AM	YES	
25. Jill Egerman		9:00 AM	Y	
26. Tahira Fouladi		9:00 AM	Y	
27. Lisa Babcock		9:40	Y	
28. Kristina Straub		10:20	Y	
29. Nathan Kruger		8:20 am	Y	5