

Reporting Meeting of January 22, 2018

Calendar of Events

Last Week: No meeting – Martin Luther King's Birthday

This Week: 1/22 Maryellen Symer, BH-BL Asst. Superintendent

Next Week: 1/29 Dinner at Cock n'Bull Restaurant

Coming Up: 2/5 Follow up to brainstorming session

Invocation: Jon Costolo

Note: Regular meetings are held Monday Evenings at 6:00 PM in the William E. Sewell Memorial Room at the Ballston Town Hall.

Please give suggestions for future programs to Beth Brownell..

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- President Jon led the Pledge, Bob Y. America the Beautiful and Jon Costolo gave a thoughtful invocation.
- Tom Brownell noted Steve Williams from the Glenville Club has confirmed the money has been transferred to the Bangladesh Pediatric Cardiac Surgery unit.
- Silas Shrader commented that the Cock n'Bull dinner RSVPs are due to him by 1/25. Cost is \$20 per person including roast beef, smashed potatoes and veggies. A cash bar will be available.
- Mike Brewster commented that the Rotary bench at the corner of Lakehill Rd and Route 50 has been removed while construction is being done.
- John Weldon from the Glenville Rotary Club announced their Baked Ziti Dinner this Friday at the Glenville Senior Center.
- Mike Brewster cheerfully collected Happy Dollars.

Program: Maryellen Symer CTE Career & Technical Education

Maryellen Symer is the Assistant Superintendent of the BH-BL School Curriculum and Instruction. She spoke about the CTE program, Career and Technical Education, which is a kindergarten through adult area of study. This program was designed around the BH-BL 21st Century Framework for Learning, which includes the essential skills, knowledge, expertise and attitudes students must possess to succeed in school, post-secondary education, work and life. BH-BL CTE is available at all school levels as follows:

- Elementary – creating Awareness through career days, speaker and field trips
- Middle School – encouraging Exploration through Business – Digital Literacy classes, Home and Careers and Technology Education
- High School - Continued Exploration and Application through Business, Family and Consumer Services, Technology Education and Vo-Tec Opportunities

Other CTE opportunities include: Dual enrollment for college credit for 8 courses; distance learning network; work studies program; career exploration internship program; clubs and competitions such as FBLA and FIRST Challenge; Vo-Tec Center Programming at both Capital Region BOCES and Saratoga BOCES.

When asked why the district doesn't rely on the NYS education guidelines, Maryellen responded that BH-BL strives not just to meet the minimum standards but to go above and beyond!

February Set Up: Silas Schrader, Dan Stec, Bill Wehrle Clean up: Peter Sawyer, Alec Davis, Ron Schrimp

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