BROWNSBURG EDUCATION FOUNDATION
Board Meeting
F.L. O'Neal Administration Building
Bulldog Conference Room
310 South Stadium Drive
Brownsburg, IN 46112

AGENDA
August 17, 2026
7:00 p.m.

To encourage and support creativity, innovation and excellence that will enhance the educational community of the Brownsburg Community School Corporation.

I. **WELCOME, MISSION MOMENT AND INTRODUCTIONS** – Melissa Middleton
7:00 – 7:12pm
A. Aerospace Engineering class at BHS – Leanne Weaver
B. Building Reps:

Brownsburg Early Childhood Center	Leah Thompson
Brown Elementary School	Hillary Rogers
Cardinal Elementary School	NEEDED
Crossroads Elementary School	Nick Johnson
Delaware Trail Elementary School	Mindy Bingaman
Eagle Elementary School	Amy Lynch
Lincoln Elementary School	Abby Hall
Reagan Elementary School	Maggie Curtin
White Lick Elementary School	Shelby Venable *NEW*
East Middle School	Heather Jones
West Middle School	Shannon Walmoth
Brownsburg High School	Judi Adams
Harris Academy	Donald Gadberry

II. **MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORT –** Dana Thomas and Kat Fenoglio
7:12 - 7:20pm
A. Board Meeting Minutes – April 20, 2026 **VOTE**
B. Finance Report **INFORMATION**
C. Questions and discussion about finances or areas of concern **DISCUSS/QUESTIONS**

III. **REPORTS** (attached for review prior to meeting) **QUESTIONS**
7:20 – 7:24pm
A. Golf Outing

B. Bags & Barrels Bingo
C. Director's Report

IV. **SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER** – Dr. Kat Jessup
7:24 – 7:30pm

V. **STRATEGIC MATTERS** – Melissa Middleton and Dale Sharpe
7:30 – 7:55pm
A. Highlights of 2026-2027 calendar of events **INFORMATION**
B. Committee sign-ups **PARTICIPATION**
a. Volunteer for one or two committees
b. Committee chairs as well as leadership needs are listed below
C. Sign-up for one other event to attend in addition to Gala **PARTICIPATION**
D. Retreat Planning *(15 minutes)* **PARTICIPATION**
Five years from now, when someone in Brownsburg hears 'Education Foundation,' what do you want the first thing out of their mouth to be?

VI. **GOVERNANCE MATTERS** – Melissa Middleton
7:55 – 8:15pm
A. Building Rep Breakout in Champions *(building reps – A. Lynch)* **DISCUSSION**
Building needs, staff awareness of BEF, and communication tools for the year ahead.
B. Board and staff roles and responsibilities *(board members)* **DISCUSSION**
Governance vs. management. The board will consider a series of real scenarios and decide, for each: is this a board decision, a staff decision, or shared? Scenarios shared at the meeting.
C. Report-out from Building Reps *(H. Jones record)* **INFORMATION**
D. Review and signing of board paperwork **PARTICIPATION**

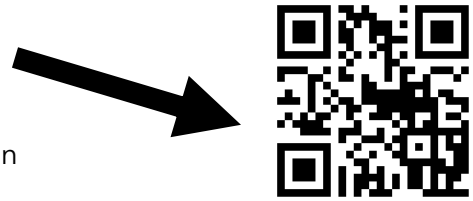
VII. **SEPTEMBER 21, 2026 BOARD MEETING**
8:17 – 8:20pm
A. 4 – 9pm – MANDATORY
B. Strategic Planning Retreat with Hedges Consulting Group (board meeting during one-hour dinner break)

VIII. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
8:20 – 8:25pm
A. Distribution of cards to share with community members **INFORMATION**
B. Board baskets for 2027 Gala **VOTE**
C. Hendricks County Education Foundation Alliance (HCEFA) **INFORMATION**
Thursday, October 29, 2026 from 7:30 – 10am
Plainfield School Corporation
Let Rene know if you are interested in attending.
Fundraising Essentials for Board Members
In this session, individuals looking to fulfill the fundraising responsibilities of nonprofit board membership will learn successful ways to engage in the four-part fundraising process.

IX. **INCOMPLETE AND NEW DISCUSSIONS** – Melissa Middleton

X. **CURRENT SIGN-UPS**

A. Drive 4 UR Community: September 10, 2026, 1 – 5pm
B. Homecoming Tailgate: September 25, 2026, 5 – 7pm
C. Bags & Barrels Bingo: September 29, 2026, 5 – 10pm
D. Log Cabin Community Day: October 3, 2026, 10am – noon



XI. **ADJOURNMENT**

8:25 pm

Key Dates:

Drive 4 UR Community – September 10, 2026
Homecoming Tailgate – September 25, 2026
Bags & Barrels Bingo – September 29, 2026
Rally for Our Kids Gala – March 12, 2027
Chip in for the Kids Golf Outing – June 11, 2027

2026 – 2027 Committee Chairs

Gala – *Chair: Hillary Rogers*
Golf Outing – *Chair: Ben Behrend, Co-chair: Jeff Smith*
Bags & Barrels Bingo 2027 – *Chair: Kat Fenoglio, Co-chair: Mo Balogun*
Special Promotions – *Lindsey Catellier (apples) and Tara Casey (bricks)*
Alumni Hall of Fame Committee – *Chair: Tarah Fettig, Co-chair: Jamie Hall*
Finance – *Kat Fenoglio*
Grants – *Chair: Alyssa Lumley, Co-chair: Tara Casey*
Scholarships – *Chair: Dana Thomas, Co-chair: Melissa Middleton*

BEF Committee Reports
August 17, 2026 Board Meeting

Golf Committee
Bags & Barrels Bingo Committee

Golf Committee Report
Submitted by Brian Petraits
Dear BEF Board,
The 23rd BEF Golf Outing was a success. The event brought in nearly $30,000. We had a beautiful day out at West Chase. There were a few new individuals/teams who played; thanks for everyone's help in spreading the word about the event. The event was sold out, and we were able to try a couple of different ideas concerning making some extra money.
Thanks to all of the volunteers from BEF, BCSC, and the community who made the event successful.
The next golf outing is scheduled for Friday June 11, 2027 at West Chase. Please let any member of the committee know if you have any questions about the event or interest in the 2027 outing.
Thanks,
BEF Golf Committee
Brian Petraits, Ben Behrend, HaiQuynh Jamison, Jeff Smith

Bags & Barrels Bingo Committee Report
Submitted by Kat Fenoglio
Reminder of date and location: September 29, 2026 at American Legion in Brownsburg. As 2025 scorecard and HaiQuynh's financial analysis showed, we need to control event costs to drive up fundraising efficiency. Reviewed projections with Rene at 8/4 committee meeting and we're on track to achieve that.

Actions for board to take to support this event:
- Secure your VIP tables with Rene before 8/26!
- Leads or donations of Norwex, Mary Kay, Pampered Chef, Young Living, Usborne Books, and Scentsy inventory for mystery bags. Please share with Kat.
- Bourbon bottles valued at $60 or more. Please share with Rene.

Volunteers needed:
- **Bingo Day – Tuesday, September 29th:**
  - Set up: 10 am – 2 pm
  - BINGO: 5 pm – 10 pm

Executive Director's Report
August 17, 2026
Submitted by Rene Behrend

Professional Development

DATE	EVENT	SPONSORED BY	COST	PAID FOR BY
4/22/2026	Using AI Workship: Part 1	INAPEF	$0	n/a
4/23/2026	Using AI Workshop: Part 2	INAPEF	$0	n/a
4/28/2026	Hendricks County Education Foundation Alliance	BEF/HCCF	$0	n/a
5/7/2026	Lunch Bytes: Setting Vision	INAPEF	$0	n/a
5/12/2026	NTS: Corporate Partnerships	First Merchants	$0	n/a
5/12/2026	Governance Workshop	NAEF	$0	n/a
7/28/2026	Hendricks County Education Foundation Alliance	BEF/HCCF	$0	n/a
8/6/2026	Lead with Purpose 2026 #1	Hedges	$0	n/a

Community Outreach

DATE	EVENT
4/22/2026	After Hours Brownsburg Chamber Event - spoke
4/23/2026	AM Connect - attended
5/21/2026	Spring VISION Graduation - spoke
7/21/2026	Team 2030 Parent Meeting - spoke
7/22/2026	Middle School Back-to-School Tables
8/13/2026	Team 2027 Parent Meeting - spoke

2026 Partnerships

- $176,561 committed for 2026 so far. This is about $20,000 more than BEF had in 2025 partnerships. We still hope to get a few more community partners for the Drive 4 UR Community and Bingo events
- **We have THREE Table Partners ($750) still available for Bingo and need to know by Monday, 8/31. Any connections or partner leads would be appreciated for both the Drive 4 UR Community and Bags & Barrels Bingo event.**

2026 Log Cabin Pioneer Camp

- Took place one week this year June 22nd – 25th (Monday – Thursday) from 9am- 2pm each day.
- The feedback from both student attendees and parents is so positive! Four campers who aged out also returned as volunteer helpers, so a total of 15 students were in attendance each day.
- 2026 Financials:

INCOME	
11 students @ $200 each	$2,200.00
TOTAL INCOME	**$2,200.00**
EXPENSES	

2 teachers @ $450 each	$900.00
Consumable supplies	$449.73
TOTAL EXPENSES	$1,349.73
2026 INCOME	**$737.58**

- Cost per student was $122.70.
  $74.95/student - 2025
  $89.17/student - 2024
  $82.92/student - 2023
  $72.22/student - 2022
- Due to decreased interest in camp (potentially indicating fatigue) and the heavy lift that it is for the Executive Director, Pioneer Camp will take a break in 2027 and not be held.

Awareness

- BEF had tables to raise awareness at both middle school back-to-school days. Rene spent half of the time at one school and half at the other. This was a really great way to talk with parents; pace was more relaxed than how it typically is at Open Houses.
- Rene spoke at the Freshman Parent Meeting in July.
- Rene spoke at the Senior Parent Meeting in August and also curated a special coupon package for senior parents who purchased a Graduate Walk brick that night. She stayed at Open House for a part of the time with a table to sell bricks. This is a special opportunity to fundraise at a school event that BEF has only had since last year.
- Upcoming events include:
  FREE Test Prep Workshop on August 29th
  Third grade students visit cabin from August 31st through October 2nd
  Drive 4 UR Community Event on September 10th at East Middle School
  Alumni Tailgate on September 25th
  Log Cabin Community Day on October 3rd
  Night Out Against Crime on October 6th