



BROWNSBURG EDUCATION FOUNDATION
Board Meeting

F.L. O'Neal Administration Building
Bulldog Conference Room
310 South Stadium Drive
Brownsburg, IN 46112

AGENDA
April 20, 2026
6:00 p.m.

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

I. WELCOME - Melissa Middleton

II. MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORT - Dana Thomas and Kevin Hall

- A. Board Meeting Minutes - February 17, 2026
- B. Finance Report
- C. Questions and discussion about finances or areas of concern

VOTE
INFORMATION
DISCUSS/QUESTIONS

III. REPORTS (attached for review prior to meeting)

- A. Golf Outing
- B. Grants
- C. Scholarships
- D. Gala
- E. Bricks
- F. Designer Purse Bingo
- G. Director's Report

IV. STRATEGIC MATTERS - Melissa Middleton

- A. Review of Strategic Plan progress
- B. September 21, 2026 Strategic Retreat with Hedges
- C. Governance Committee
- D. Development Committee
- E. Pass-through gifts (Rene)

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V. EVALUATION MATTERS - Melissa Middleton

- A. Presentation of 2026 grants funded - Alyssa Lumley
- B. Discussion of individual board member assessments
- C. 2026-2027 BEF Calendar

VOTE
PARTICIPATION
VOTE

- D. Officer nomination slate
- E. Review of Board of Directors applications
- F. Review of Board of Directors duties and feedback

VOTE
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DISCUSS/QUESTIONS

VI. INCOMPLETE AND NEW DISCUSSIONS - Melissa Middleton

VII. BEF BOARD RETIREMENTS - Melissa Middleton

Jamie Hall
Kevin Hall
Arthur Hamilton

VIII. CURRENT SIGN-UPS

- A. Staff Awards Reception - May 7th at 4:30pm (e-mail Rene)
- B. Assemble golf bags or deliver items to course - June 11th
- C. Chip in for the Kids Golf Outing - June 12th



IX. ADJOURNMENT

Key Dates:

Chip in for the Kids Golf Outing - June 12, 2026

2025 - 2026 Committee Chairs

Gala - Chair: Hillary Rogers
Golf Outing - Chair: Brian Petraits, Co-chair: Ben Behrend
Purse Bingo 2026 - 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 - Kevin Hall
Grants - Chair: Beth Grant, Co-chair: Alyssa Lumley
Scholarships - Chair: Kat Fenoglio, Co-chair: Dana Thomas

BEF Committee Reports
April 20, 2026 Board Meeting

Golf Committee
Grant Committee
Scholarship Committee
Graduate Walk Brick Committee
Gala Committee
Purse Bingo Committee
Director's Report

Golf Committee Report
Submitted by Brian Petraits

The Golf Committee is pleased to report that preparations for the BEF Golf Outing on Friday, June 12, 2026 at West Chase are proceeding as planned. To ensure a seamless execution, the committee will continue to meet multiple times per month leading up to the event.

Event Logistics & Volunteer Opportunities

We are currently seeking volunteers to support various shifts throughout the day. Support is needed starting with setup at 6:30 AM through the conclusion of cleanup at 3:00 PM. We invite all board members to sign up for a time slot that accommodates your schedule.

Registration Status

Thanks to the committee's proactive outreach, we are nearing capacity. At this time, only a few team slots remain. We encourage you to share this availability with your professional networks and local businesses; our goal is to reach a full sell-out within the coming weeks.

Inquiries

If you have any questions or require further information, please feel free to reach out to Ben Behrend or any member of the Golf Committee.

Best regards,

The BEF Golf Committee

Grant Committee Report
Submitted by Beth Grant

The BEF Grant Committee reviewed 15 Incredible Award grant applications, which are awarded to individual staff members or small teams proposing special projects or clubs that promote innovation, creativity, and excellence for students. The committee approved funding totaling \$20,556.53 for these awards.

In addition, the Brownsburg Education Foundation received 20 District Excellence Award applications, which support initiatives at the grade-level or departmental level. The committee approved \$71,531.70 in funding for these grants, bringing the total amount awarded to \$92,088.23. Brownsburg Education Foundation will contribute \$85,588.23 as Duke Energy has awarded \$6,500 for one of the grants.

The Grant Committee selected the Seeds for Success/Flex Farm initiative as the 2026 Innovative Grant of the Year. This is a secret until the awards presentation on Friday, April 24, 2026 at 9:30am at West Middle School. Any board members who would like to attend the presentation, please let Rene know and plan to be in the BWMS office at 9:30am that morning.

Scholarship Committee Report

Submitted by Kat Fenoglio

Committee met before spring break to review 600 applications for 52 scholarships available. The eForms electronic scoring tool continued to be used successfully. Committee is working on awardee certificates and letters - due to Rene by 4/15. Scholarship winners will be announced/awarded on Thursday, April 23 as part of the larger BHS scholarship night. Committee will prep script as final prep step.

Graduate Walk Brick Committee Report

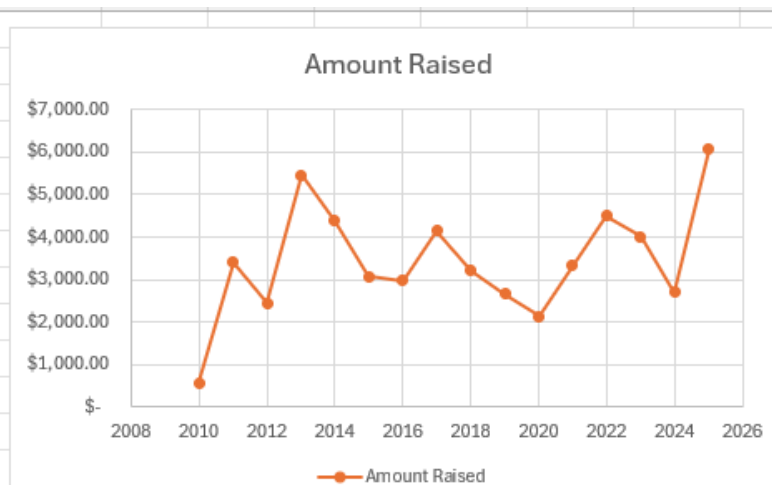
Submitted by Tara Casey

2025 was our best-selling year for bricks since the start of the program. YAY! Kudos to Rene who put in a lot of work of promoting the bricks with parent welcome nights which encouraged sales. There is a new brick path at the Senior Academy. Rene also spent many hours getting these all corrected and placed in the right spot when the Senior Academy opened. We did have bricks that were broken during the move, and we did get these replaced and paid for by the construction company.

We also will start to use this same company who installed the bricks to put together the bricks and engraving plus install. This should make processes more seamless for the bricks chair and Rene.

A metal directory sign will be installed at the Graduate Walk Brick site soon so that people can scan the QR code and know where to look for their brick in the walk.

Year	# of Bricks Sold	Amount Raised
2025	74	\$ 6,060.86
2024	30	\$ 2,698.47
2023	44	\$ 4,014.86
2022	46	\$ 4,506.73
2021	30	\$ 3,325.00
2020	23	\$ 2,130.00
2019	31	\$ 2,660.00
2018	36	\$ 3,210.02
2017	38	\$ 4,140.00
2016	33	\$ 2,975.00
2015	37	\$ 3,080.00
2014	42	\$ 4,390.00
2013	50	\$ 5,455.00
2012	23	\$ 2,450.00
2011	31	\$ 3,410.00
2010	5	\$ 575.00



Gala Committee Report

Submitted by Hillary Rogers

The Brownsburg Education Foundation's 2026 Gala, Saddle Up Soirée, held on March 13 at The Golf Club of Indiana, was a tremendous success, raising over \$66,000 to support students, teachers, and classrooms across Brownsburg. The evening was filled with energy, generosity, and strong community engagement, with guests especially loving the western-themed atmosphere and responding very positively to the new venue, which provided a fresh and elevated experience. The event featured a streamlined and highly effective fundraising

approach, including a live auction with 12 exciting packages, the always popular Dessert Dash, a high-interest Diamond Raffle, and interactive games such as Boot Scootin' Booze Toss, Lasso the Loot, Ring Around the Ranch, and the Last Call Wooden Nickel Game. Guests were welcomed with a VIP Hour and enjoyed a full evening experience that blended dinner, entertainment, and meaningful giving. The program, hosted by Annie and Cole from 97.1 HANK FM, kept the crowd engaged while highlighting the mission and impact of the foundation, including honoring Hall of Fame inductees and recognizing key supporters. A standout highlight of the night was the live music from Dave and Ray, whose performance was a crowd favorite and brought an added level of fun and excitement to the event. The shift away from a silent auction to a more interactive and focused fundraising model proved successful, increasing participation and energy throughout the night. This event was made possible by the incredible support of sponsors, local businesses, volunteers, educators, and community members, all of whom played a vital role in its success. Funds raised from the gala will directly support classroom grants, innovative teaching tools, student learning opportunities, and teacher-led initiatives, ensuring a lasting impact in Brownsburg schools. Overall, the 2026 gala demonstrated the power of community coming together to support education and create meaningful opportunities for students.

Purse Bingo Committee Report
Submitted by Kat Fenoglio

2026 data and location are secured: September 29, 2026 at American Legion in Brownsburg. Adding some bourbon-centric prize options this year - alternatives to bags. As 2025 scorecard and HaiQuyhn's financial analysis showed, we need to control event costs to drive up fundraising efficiency.

Director's Report
April 20, 2026

Professional Development

DATE	EVENT	SPONSORED BY	COST	PAID FOR BY
2/19/2026	Anchored Leadership Webinar	NAEF	\$0	n/a
3/3/2026	Strategic Planning Webinar	First Merchants	\$0	n/a
3/17/2026	Hendricks County Education Foundation Alliance	HCCF/BEF	\$0	n/a
4/16/2026	Charity Gaming Training	IN Gaming	\$0	n/a

Community Outreach

DATE	EVENT
2/17/2026	HCCF Nonprofit Networking Coffee - attend
2/21/2026	SAT/ACT Test Prep Workshop hosted by BEF
2/24/2026	Kids Explore Robotics Workshops hosted by BEF
3/6/2026	Picnic for the Parks Event - attend
4/9/2026	Hendricks County CONNECT Luncheon - attend

2026 Sponsorship

- \$157,874 committed for 2026 which is \$4,000 over our total sponsorship for 2025. Additionally, we will have more sponsors joining for golf and purse Bingo, so I would estimate this number to increase by at least another \$10,000 before the end of the year.
- Additionally, The Branded Market/Bulldog Spirit Shop will be donating 20% of all of their sales to BEF quarterly and Queen Anne's Lace will donate 15% of all Brownsburg products to BEF!

Raise the Roof Promotion

- This is an EASY way to make money for BEF! Please share this information with your neighbors, family and friends! The link to make your appointment is on the BEF website. Roof inspections must be done in April to count toward the promotion.

Golf Outing

- Committee has met twice and everything is on schedule
- 27 of the 36 spots have been filled and invitations have been mailed to previous sponsors and individual foursomes. An electronic notification was also sent on 4/16/2026.

Grants

- \$6,500 received from Duke Energy to fund the new aerospace engineering class at BHS
- BEF was invited to apply for a \$10,000 Community Grant from Meijer in honor of their grand opening in Brownsburg; directors will be invited to a check presentation when the grant has been confirmed.
- Applied but have not received notification yet:
 - McGuffin Marketing Grant \$25,000 (national grant)

- Old National Bank Workforce Development Grant \$5,000 (regional)

Manuals

- Staff Manual draft is complete
- Scholarship Manual is the next document that I will work on in collaboration with Joni Martin the college and career coach at BHS