



Branham High School Music Boosters
January 14, 2016

Present: Andrea Ciplickas, Steve Pyle, Babette McKay, Amy Ratnaparkhi, Brenda Lacey, Tamara Corini, Thushari Edirisighe, Rosa Lee, Liz Pyle, Dan Seoane, Mike Orcutt, Melynda Orcutt, Pat Pakele, Cheri Pakele, Lollo Hill, Romie Tucker, Suzy Trigonis, Greg Chow, Bob Aron, Yvette Young, Bruce Porter, Cynthia Porter

Staff: Diane Wyant

CTO: 7:37 pm by Andrea Ciplickas

Welcome: Andrea

8th grade parent night was biggest ever, SRO. Better presence with sports boosters on the stage; many families asked questions.

Treasurer's Report & Fundraisers: Steve

Pledges at 77% this time last year; currently at 74% YTD. Statements went out today. Concert attendance and admissions not complete yet; some expenses missing. Rock Bottom from 2015 came in; one-third owed to Prospect. Company matching: please check with your employer.

We are a little behind in fundraising this year; less than 50% of budget for Amazon. Please share the word and encourage others to join in the Amazon program.

Casino Night (March 19) and Jazz Café (May 27)

A great project working in collaboration with sports. Due to changes with Elks Lodge, considered holding at school. Following discussion of logistics, event will be held at Elks Lodge with some modifications. Elks will sell all alcohol, returning 15% to BHS. Kitchen use will have an additional fee. New ways to fundraise on the spot are needed. Looking for a large ticket item to use for a donation drawing. Need assistant with smaller donations from local businesses. Will list businesses on VolunteerSpot. Tickets need to be sold! Tri tip dinner with live band.

Jazz Café will have a geek basket. Items from Silicon Valley companies wanted. Donations welcome. Rachel Hobbs and Norbert Staud will co-chair event. Seeking a printer for tickets, programs, as well as a designer. Theme will be "Around the World."

Jamba Jamboree

January 27 and January 29. 20 middle school students registered. Limited to 8th graders and siblings of current RA members. Reminders going out to Price and Dartmouth.

VolunteerSpot for sign-ups with check-in, dinner service going up soon. SST will make signs, plan activities. Dinner will be pasta and salad.

Pops Concert with Choir: Thursday, March 3

Possibly an ice cream social fundraiser. Proceeds to be split with choir. Event will be held in Cafeteria. This event is new and attendance is expected to be high. Space is tight; may need to seat outside in the quad. Will get a count of possible audience seating. Romie and Babette will co-coordinate. \$10 includes ice cream and concert.

Marching Band PE

In the course catalog. Not printed in the handout given to students. If seeking pe credit, contract will be given to students later, not through class registration. Specific participation requirements still being determined; school board seemed supportive and flexible for implementation.

Director's Report: Diane Wyant

District Music Festival (DMF): Wednesday, March 30. Set-up date still pending. Day of event, students go to designated site for the assigned ensemble for all day practice. At about 4 pm, all students conclude rehearsal and arrive at SJSU event center for dinner, entertainment, set-up and concert attire. Concert in the evening includes all ensembles continuously with no intermission. Babette needs help coordinating volunteers: co-coordinator from Branham, ticket coordinator to lead multi-school team. Co-Coordinator from Westmont already identified; working on Leigh and other schools.

Set date for incoming 8th grade parent meeting: Thursday, April 14 at 6 pm.

Checking to see if Rock Bottom Mondays will be scheduled again this year. Other performance opportunities for the jazz band wanted (hire for company party?).

Next meeting to: February 11 at 7:30 pm, following principal's parent-information-night at 7 pm.

Adjourned: 8:35 pm to next meeting on Thursday, February 11 at 7:30 pm.

*Respectfully submitted,
Babette McKay, Secretary
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