



Branham High School Music Boosters  
February 11, 2016

**Present:** Kim Nakata-Guirola, Babette McKay, Amy Ratnaparkhi, Rosa Lee, Romie Tucker, Suzy Trigonis, Greg Chow, Bob Aron, Yvette Young, Bruce Porter, Cynthia Porter, Mike Boomershine, Norbert Staud, Miriam Richards, Nicole Oryall

**Staff:** none

**CTO:** 7:39 pm by Kim Nakata-Guirola

**Welcome:** Kim

**Treasurer's Report & Fundraisers: Amy**

Pledges at 78% this time last year; currently at 76% YTD. Statements went out today. Winter programs stipends have been paid out. Sports Basement gift cards available to purchase at face value.

**Amazon Fundraising**

We are a little behind in fundraising this year. Donations collected this year \$918. Target for this year is \$2000. We encourage families to go to Amazon through BHS Royal Alliance website before going to Amazon.; a percentage of every purchase will be given to the band that way at no cost to the purchaser. Please share the word and encourage others to join in the Amazon program.

**Pops Concert, March 3: Romie**

Mrs. Wyant's vision is a casual concert with social access, similar to Jazz Café where guests may move about and talk during performances. Concern about disruptive atmosphere during choir and smaller ensembles. Waiting for Ms. West input. Tickets are \$10 per person and includes ice cream with topping bar. Pre-sale tickets online and from students. Limited sales at the door. Performing students will get free scoop. Need access to freezer; may need to pay for staff. Romie will check with Ms. Ravo. 7:30 start, 9:00 end. 6:30 call time for students. No joint pieces for this year; possible collaboration with jazz and choir. Casual dress for students or theme dress, TBD. Volunteers from both band and choir families will be requested.

**Jazz Café: May 27**

Norbert and Rachel waiting for meeting with Andrea and others to begin planning. Mrs. Wyant is proposing idea of reformatting event to be in courtyard rather than inside cafeteria. Casual, outdoor event, festive with lights. Change food to more of a barbecue style. Will continue discussion at March meeting.

**Casino Night (March 19): Bob Aron**

Event is on track for planning. Ticket sales are priority. Need to sell 200 tickets. Word of mouth getting parents to sell to friends and neighbors. Tri tip, chicken cacciatore, vegetarian option, salad, potatoes, desserts, appetizers like prosciutto wrapped asparagus, final menu TBD. More marketing needed with specifics on menu and entertainment, including Branham's homepage. Concern for Bellarmine concert conflicting with parents coming to event. Can arrange for carpools? Event will include a donation drawing for 4 tickets to Disneyland.

**District Music Festival: March 30**

On track. Will need volunteers from all schools. Amy will coordinate ticket sales at event with support. VolunteerSpot coming soon.

**SJ Ticket Sales: March 5**

Sign-ups coming soon. Look for email from Rondi Masters.

**Food Crew Operations: Yvette**

Need lead for next year. Current budget is \$5 per person for served hot meals. If change to catering model, will need to increase budget to \$8+ per person. Will discuss at March meeting. Yvette can help with brainstorming for operations if change is desired/needed.

Ideas: Small groups host each date; many groups? Still requires a coordinator to manage and store supplies.

**Upcoming Events**

8<sup>th</sup> grade parent meeting: Thursday, April 14 at 6 pm.

**Next meeting to:** March 12 at 7:30 pm, following principal's parent-information-night at 7 pm.

**Adjourned:** 8:18 pm to next meeting on Thursday, March 12 at 7:30 pm.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Babette McKay, Secretary  
BHS Music Boosters*