

**Branham High School Music Boosters
Minutes for April 14, 2016**

Present: Amy Ratnaparkhi, Babette McKay, Romie Tucker, Greg Chow, Liz Pyle, Cathy Lang, Joy Brawn, Brenda Lacey, Theo Hill, Lollo Hill, Rachel Hobbs, Rosa Lee, Diana Aboul-Hosn, Steve Trigonis, Bob Aron, Yvette Young, Nicole Oryall, Thushari Edirisinghe, Michael Boomershine

Staff: Diane Wyant

CTO: 7:40 pm

- **Welcome & Introductions: Babette**

- **Financial Report & Budget Planning: Amy**

Year to date: 82.5% pledge donations have been received, which is close to last year at this time. Receipts should be turned in soon in order to close the fiscal year on time. Budget meetings TBD, announced soon. Individual account statements sent out today.

- **Food Operations Discussion/Planning: Babette & Yvette**

Babette gave a summary of the options for food operations for school year 2016-17. Currently there is no lead coordinator. If a coordinator or team of coordinators is identified they may choose to cook, cater, or other options for feeding students and volunteers at marching band events. For FY 15-16: budget was \$5pp incl snacks. Catering will be approx. \$7-8 pp. Will cause overall budget increase \$3-4K.

Discussion: Food is a positive culture. Subs or pizza could be low cost; other meals will cost more. Cooking Italian is inexpensive but cooking must be coordinated. Coordinated potluck option mentioned. Another option is requiring each student to provide own meal (bag supper). Concern of pests in band room mentioned if students bring own food.

Coordinator job: Purchasing, assigning dishes, etc., if cooking. Food plans are already created. Possibility of using St. Andrews' kitchen; long-term storage of equipment at school. Joy Brawn volunteered to help coordinate Band Camp meals.

Board will review options and make a recommendation, pending finding a food coordinator(s), and budget accordingly.

- **2016-2017 Board Nominations: Amy**

Amy opened the floor for nominations of board officers for 2016-17.

Secretary: Rosa Lee nominated Romie Tucker, 2nd by Brenda Lacey

Treasurer (Finance & Accounting): Yvette Young nominated Cathy Lang; 2nd by Romie Tucker

Treasurer (controller): Bob Aron nominated Amy Ratnaparkhi; 2nd by Lollo Hill

Vice Presidents (Development & Operations): 2 positions

Lollo Hill nominated Babette McKay; 2nd by Romie Tucker
Joy Brawn nominated Mike Boomershine; 2nd by Rachel Hobbs
President: Babette McKay nominated Andrea Ciplickas; 2nd by Joy Brawn

All individuals accepted nomination. Slate will be presented to membership and voted on at May booster meeting.

- **Marching Band P.E.: Diane**

Reviewed overall schedule and stated it will stay the same for 2016-17. Diane will seek supervision from P.E. teachers to ensure program meets with P.E. requirements. If program grows too big for classroom in future years, marching would go to 2 evenings per week and not during class. Students must commit to two years of marching to receive credit of p.e. for one year. One year only would negate agreement and require full year of p.e. Handed out paperwork to interested parents/students.

- **Casino Night wrap-up: Bob**

Event raised \$8000 for 2 groups. 200+ attendance. Band sold 95 tickets. Next year date: tentative March 25, 2017.

- **Jazz Cafe Update: Romie**

May 27: Met with Yvette and Andrea to plan. Revamp to outdoor bbq style, more student participation. More details soon.

- **Year-end events (Concert concessions & Year-end Picnic): Babette**

Concerts are May 17 and May 18. Need concessions helpers. Volunteer sign-ups out soon.

Picnic is Sunday, May 22 at Doerr Park

- **Director's Report: Diane**

Idea for future fundraiser: host car show on weekend. Need a volunteer to talk to district to see if possible at Branham on property. Would bring \$ in from outside. April may be good time. Will go check out other shows in area.

- **Other Business or announcements**

Amy reviewed the CUHSD meeting with CBO Brett McFadden and booster reps. Boosters will now be allowed to handle own box office ticket sales, among other operational changes.

Scrip: Joy. Have other folks sign up to support your student. A great way to raise funds. Seeking a new scrip coordinator as next year is Joy's last.

Adjourn at 9:14 to next meeting on May 12 at 7:30 pm. May meeting will include election of 2016-17 officers and budget planning.

*Respectfully submitted,
Babette McKay*

Board Secretary