

## Branham High School Royal Alliance Booster Meeting

December 12, 2013

Held at BHS Band Room

Call to Order: 7:47 PM

In Attendance: Bob Aron, President; Steven Pyle, Co-Treasurer; Andrea Ciplickas, Co-Treasurer; Kim Nakata-Guirola, Secretary; Tom Kiefer; Theo Hill; Yvette Young, Food Coordinator; Cynthia Porter; Tom Wieske, Percussion Coach; Rosa Lee; Joni Kiefer, Volunteer Coordinator; Liz Pyle; Vittalbabu Srinivasan; Paul Lee; Terry Harnish.

Director's Report, Diane Wyant:

- Winter Concert – band played best they ever have!
- Next year - Met with Jodi Edwards-Wright and Brian Thompson. Will be opening a second band class for kids that do not want to do Marching Band. Jazz Ensemble will have to qualify by doing Symphonic Band and Marching Band. Will make an opportunity for students that want to play a second instrument. Will impact instrument needs. Will probably have Marching numbers drop; possibly put us in 3A class. This scenario projects the possibility of outgrowing building in about two-three years.
- Really need to press for PE credits for Marching Band, especially with former scenario. Andrea Ciplickas will be point on campaigning. Need a lot of support from Booster parents. Suggested to put together a committee to organize campaign. Del Mar to co-campaign? Tom Wieske to provide Leigh contacts.
- Academic eligibility being imposed. Will be for Winter Guard. Possibility of Marching Band being next.
- Hawaii – a couple students had to drop, then a couple added on. No invoice from Charlie yet. Good for chaperones – Jeannie Hamilton, Andrea Ciplickas, Rhonda McCarthy.

Treasurer's Report, Steven Pyle:

- Statements went out today. Two separate statements for students going to Hawaii.
- Aaron Reales received Scrip credit; is to go to Hawaii fund.
- Budget
  - 61% collected. Compared to last year of 65%.
  - Stipends look as if over-budget, but isn't because some pay-outs are from last year.
  - Percussion arrangements should be under budget by \$600 at this point.
  - Butter Braid negative corrected.
  - W-4's need to be accounted for.
- How are ticket sales handled? We receive a check to the boosters for online ticket sales. Tickets sold at the door go into our ASB account. The funds stay in the ASB account until we pay for something from the account.
- Photos/DVD Sales at Parent Appreciation Night are around \$1950 minus approximate costs of \$200.
- Tax return ready to go. Bob Aron has to sign.
- Vanguard check went to Cheer. Cheer knows how much they have to cut a check to us for. Issue is Cheer being able to issue a check directly to us (usually would go from cheer to ASB to music). Andrea to talk to Larry Lopez about getting check directly to us.

Winter Guard, Brian Ward via email:

- Movie night Friday (tomorrow). Showing Despicable Me 2.
- Hawaiian Airlines donated plane seats for floor show. Need to send thank you letter on letterhead.

Winter Percussion, Tom Wieske:

- Between the Lines is the title
- December dates,
  - Pre-finals Workshops that are *not* mandatory – Friday evening, Saturday morning
  - Post-finals that *are* mandatory – Dec 27, 28, Jan 3, & 4 practices
  - Our Percussion not doing Price.
- Bob and Andrea will open dialog with Larry Lopez (and principal) regarding facility usage. There are concerns from parents regarding outdoor rehearsals in cold winter weather, and concerns from director and boosters regarding wear and tear on instruments and ability to properly rehearse on a surface similar to the competition floors which are held in HS gyms.

Comedy Sportz:

- January 10<sup>th</sup>
- \$12 adult, \$10 ASB students, family pac 4 for \$40
- Pizza and soda, Yvette

Avant Garde Concert:

- January, 14<sup>th</sup>

Jamba Jamboree, Diane Wyant:

- February 5<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>
- Need Jamba flyers before next Thur, the 19<sup>th</sup>
- Food for students and meet 'n greet, Yvette Young

SJ Ticket Sales Events, Kim Nakata-Guirola:

- Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup> and Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup>
- Conflict with March 1<sup>st</sup> in that there is a Winter Guard Competition that evening, but will work around.

See's, Liz Pyle:

- 16 students participated

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- Will set-up date

Egg Sale: Discuss next meeting.

Rock Bottom, Bob Aron:

- Four Mondays starting with April 28<sup>th</sup>, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Need letter to campaign local companies to host something on those Mondays. Bob Aron to do.

Casino Night, Bob Aron:

- Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup>
- Rock Bottom donating a keg.
- After 20<sup>th</sup> of Dec, tickets go up from \$60 to \$70.
- Follow-up with Kristen Henderson about coordinating solicitation for basket items.

District Music Festival is moved to March 26<sup>th</sup>. Revision 12/21 – could be moved to 25<sup>th</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Info night:

- January 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Need to make slide presentation w/ narration.

Rally Drums proposed by Tom Wieske for students to learn basics and do some performances.

Next two Booster meetings are January 9<sup>th</sup> & February 13<sup>th</sup>.

Adjournment: 9:10 PM

Minutes done by Kim Nakata-Guirola, Music Boosters Secretary  
Revision 12/21/13. KN.