

Branham HS Site Council 2025-2026 - Room 11

May 6, 2026

Members:

- **Kori Reynolds**
- Juan Fernandez
- **Heather Burstein**
- **Jen Brady**
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- **Heather Amanatullah**
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- **David Levy**
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Meeting Dates: 9/3, 10/1, 11/5, 12/3, 1/7, 2/4, 3/4, 4/1, 5/6

Time Allotted	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome/Vote/Notes
5 min	Welcome/One Thing: - Last meeting of the year :(- What are your summer plans?	Chair	Madi Simmons- dog sitter extraordinaire -
2 min	Agenda for 5/6/26	Chair	Motion to approve agenda: Madi Simmons Second: Ms. Amanatullah
5 min	Chair signs SPSA	Chair	Reviewed the SPSA and how much money is set aside for each goal Motion to approve SPSA: Ms.Silb Second: Ms. Amanatullah All in favor: 6 No's: 0
25 min	Updates: 1 thing that are going well 1 question for consideration - (change or general comment!) 1. Student report 2. Parent report 3. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Students: - Going well: - A little bit checked out - Heard good things about freshmen field trip- there should be more supports for Freshmen and Sophomores for students on what to do and how to research - It is May- getting excited for graduation. - Looking for textbooks - Decisions day was great

			- Question/ Consideration - It is overwhelming to have assessments the week before AP tests - We should try to work with Leigh to have a DECA program (needs a CTE business teacher as an advisor) Parents: - Going well: - Student likes having extra stuff on campus - There is a new end of school year rally - Question/ Consideration - Anxious about getting the new Athletic Director - Spring fling is very close to prom - Wish there was a end of school year dance - Battle of classes should be separate from dance Staff: - Going well: - Freshmen college field trip\ - Heating and air is working well in C building now - AP testing is going smoothly - Master schedule is coming together - Starting to prep for next year - Experience tutorials went well, - Link crew program is getting a lot of traction and engagement - Having district on campus has been helpful- there is a lot of focus on follow through for individual students - There have been a few negative messaging about Branham - we have not acted or responded enough for the antisemitism - Question/ Consideration - Number of advisories getting in the way of tutorials
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			- Demolition starts- K & L after summer school - Number of students who are doing work for other classes in class and then complain about grades - Want to go to paper next year to help students stay on task during class -
	Closing (bye Sarah and Madi!) 	Chair	Motion to adjourn - Sarah Second: Madi S.

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April 1, 2026

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5 min	Welcome/One Thing: - What is your favorite BOTC event?	Chair	Ms. Sarah: Cheer on Friday Ms. Silb: Walls/Decor Ms. Reynolds: Decor Mr. F: Classes practicing after school Mrs. A: What Mr. F said, but in morning Ms. Brady: Artistic Mr. L: Seeing kids hour before school practicing

2 min	Agenda for 4/1/26	Chair	Motion: Ms. Brady Second: Approved Ms. Reynolds Approved unanimously
~20	LCAP Thought Exchange	Principal	Student had difficulty logging in. Could not complete the thought exchange.No parents present. Staff completed exchange.
15 min	Updates: 1 thing that are going well 1 question for consideration - (change or general comment!) 4. Student report 5. Parent report 6. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Students: -CAASP testing format practices are outdated. Students were rushing through the essay expecting MCQ later on but there were none. -Rooms for non-testers were not conducive to working -More direct support to apply for scholarships. Teachers: -No news is no good news -Naviance has a section for scholarships -Science is targeting a recovery program during tutorial sessions. -Air conditioning issues. -Experience tutorials for science are being successful Administration: -There is room for growth regarding help for scholarships. -Negotiations are ongoing but the principal misses being on campus. -Master scheduling is going well. Asking for 7th period volunteers. -PSAT 10 going on this week. Parents: Not present
	Closing	Chair	Motion: Ms. Brady Second: Mr. Fernandez Approved unanimously

Branham HS Site Council 2025-2026 - Room 7

March 4, 2026

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5 min	Welcome/One Thing: - What's your favorite Winter Olympics Sport?	Chair	Principal will lead meeting as Chair is not here]Diverse sports were chosen for different reasons
2 min	Agenda for 3/4/26	Chair	Motion: Juan Fernandez Second: Heather Amanatulah Approved unanimously
~5	SPSA Goal language Latinx, Latine, Hispanic	Principal	- Change Latinx to Latiné instead of Hispanic
15 min	Updates: 1 thing that are going well 1 question for consideration - (change or general comment!) 7. Student report 8. Parent report 9. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Student Going well: BOTC and dance coming up Consideration: None Parents Going well: Supervision is great. Doesn't like: Students asking for the bathroom pass when they do not really need to go to the bathroom. What is the solution? Mid back to school night possibly (way to get parents involved throughout the year instead of only the beginning). Staff College acceptances rolling in Bathroom: Principal met with two school leaders to converse regarding the bathroom situation. Open girls bathrooms. Boys bathrooms are suffering from vandalism. Getting ready for CAASP and AP testing. Master schedules are being prepared. Link crew and whole school connectivity.

			New Experience Tutorials are being prepared for the second semester. Feeling grateful for strong teachers. Teachers facing behavioral issues and docking points from academic aspects, which is again board policy. Want to foster scholarly mindsets. Bring more focus to soft skills. Slo checklist with each project for students to fill out.
	Closing	Chair	Motion: Beth Silbergeld Second: Juan Fernandez-Maculet

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February 11, 2026

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5 min	Welcome/One Thing: -	Chair	
2 min	Agenda for 2/11/25	Chair	Motion: Jen Brady Second: Heather Amanatullah
20 min	SPSA Goals for 2026-2027	Silb	

15 min	Updates: 1 thing that are going well 1 question for consideration - (change or general comment!) 10. Student report 11. Parent report 12. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	
	Closing	Chair	Motion: Madi Simmons Second: Jen Brady

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Time Allotted	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome/Vote/Notes
5 min	Welcome/One Thing: - Share a piece of good news from your life or the world around you!	Chair	
2 min	Agenda for 1/7/25	Chair	Motion: Jen Brady Second: Heather Amanatullah

20 min	SPSA Goals for 2026-2027	Silb	- Do Members went over SPSA Proposed Goals and reviewed progress - Suspensions have decreased (all groups in green) - Some people make data skewed causing data to inaccurately represent school - Gap between White/Asian groups vs. students with disabilities/English learners/Latinx Goal 1: - Change everything to Hispanic over Latinx - Take away comma - Are there results for SBAC testing? Goal 2: - English language learners' progress has increased! - Have to keep brand new students in mind when keeping track of goals - Try to have them move at least one level up Goal 3: - Maintain subgroups in green and schoolwide - Remove comma after June on goals 2 & 3 but add comma after 2027 in 3 - LatinX to Hispanic Goal 4: - Need to focus on attendance, grade above C, lack of support at home, for Latinx students - Afterschool homework center is not well attended. NHS is going to push in to provide support. - Snacks can be provided. - Communicate with families about importance of taking some classes and looking for in-school support - Do we have more EMs? - Do we have more students in SAI? - Develop - CTE pathways (child development)
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			- Is there a way to gameify? - PBIS strategy Goal 5: - Not a smart goal - Not a measurable goal - Without increasing the load of people, how can we reach freshmen parents? - Link Crew can do an orientation for parents at the same time as students - Can measure percent of parents attending - Needs to be more specific to time - Measure PK attendance - PIQUE data this year - FAFSA meeting
15 min	Updates: 1 thing that are going well 1 question for consideration - (change or general comment!) 13. Student report 14. Parent report 15. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Students: ASB visits to feeder schools eighth graders went well (+) Prepping seniors for what they need to do has been going well and assembly successfully covered a lot of questions (+) NHS is making changes to comply with expectations (+ and consideration) Program fair went really well but would be helpful to have less biased representation for every class (+ and C) Parents: Scheduling is going smoother and juniors are getting more one on one help (+) Good job at offering extra support for everyone (+) Staff: Better interactions among staff (+) Flexisched has been going smoothly (+) Students are taking care of their own enrollment for next year well (+) Whistling has become better (+) January PD was awesome, especially in the morning. Great organization and model. (+) Having a team to help plan has made things easier (+) Children that don't go to class (consideration)

			PD level of engagement was great to see (+) A lot of excitement in programming (+) Counseling department has been awesome (+) Large increase in students who are trying to accelerate in math, but don't understand that they need a basic understanding (C) A lot of the meetings and other things have been progressive and cohesive(+) Need more balance in AP vs on level classes (C)
	Closing	Chair	Motion: Madi Simmons Second: Jen Brady

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January 7, 2026

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Time Allotted	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome/Vote/Notes
5 min	Welcome/One Thing: - Your highlight from Winter Break	Chair	
2 min	Agenda for 1/7/25	Chair	Motion: Heather Burstein Second: Jen Brady
10min	SPSA Monitoring	Silb	Members reviewed goals and areas of improvement Areas of improvement for activities: Goal 1:

			• pullout days to work on planning for each department/class (need more structure/clarity) • make expectations more clear for science department • Ms. Johnson is one EL teacher • flexisched is good but more training days needed for students • add advisory dates to weekly announcements • Need more improvement in reviewing grading/helping students below the line of proficiency • Possibly update grading more frequently Goal 2: • All activities good! Goal 3: • More behavior intervention support needed ◦ Maybe parent-like mentors in school ◦ Most work needed for this Goal 4: • On top of all activities for 4! Goal 5: • Currently working on more planning for parent bookcamps ◦ More available times
20 min	Updates: 1 thing that are going well 1 question for consideration - (change or general comment!) 16. Student report 17. Parent report 18. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Parents: Happy with the teachers (+) Concerned about teacher pays (-) Not sure if doing enough as a freshman parent (+) Staff: Counseling staff doing well with things like scheduling (+) Amazing first day back for Ms. Brady! (+) Fly is doing great (+) Excited but anxious for program fair (=) No show students (-) Whistling (-) Reviewed chem and English data with Silb (+) 3 Holocaust survivors are coming on the 27th (+) SPSA concerns (-) Students:

			Excited for extended tutorial and program fairs (+) Nervous for AP testing (-) Smooth junior year (+) A lot of the teachers were excited to be back (+)
	Closing	Chair	Motion to adjourn: Madison Simmons Second: Jen Brady

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December 3, 2025

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Time Allotted	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome/Vote/Notes
5 min	Welcome/One Thing: - Your highlight from Thanksgiving Break! 🦃❤️	Chair	
2 min	Agenda for 12/3/25	Chair	Motion: Jennifer Brady Second: Heather Burstein
30 min	Safety Plan	AP Harrison	Members reviewed the safety plan and how decisions were made How people are learning about the policies: Mandatory trainings, Student handbook, Parent Square Areas of growth: Teaching students safe entry/vocalize more about what students should do when late, Adding signs, Vocalize more

			to parents to drop students off at the office using Parent Square Trainings students participated in: Fire drill, earthquake drill, Say Something, Narcan training Additional training needed: Scripts What applies most to you: Parent: Reunification after emergency disasters (what to do, where you go) Admin: Safety entrance, keeping everyone safe Teacher: all Student: rules and procedures on school discipline Principle: Sex harassment Things missing: Reunification, be more vocal, emphasize what values you should hold
10 min	Updates: 1 thing that are going well 1 question for consideration - (change or general comment!) 19. Student report 20. Parent report 21. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Parents: Thankful for Silb! Staff: More academic support (reach out to NHS) Counseling department doing great especially in programming AI use concerns in teachers and students Students: Put Varsity Tutor more out there to students as a resource
	Closing	Chair	Motion to adjourn: Jen Brady Second: Madison Simmons

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November 5, 2025

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Time Allotted	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome/Vote/Notes
5 min	Welcome/One Thing: Your best/favorite past Halloween costume!	Chair	
2 min	Agenda for 11/5/25	Chair	Motion: Heather Amanatullah Second: Kori Reynolds
30 min	Safety Plan DRAFT	AP Harrison	Divide by sections and report out on summary: if that works for the group. Members reviewed sections and shared out to group Voting on it next time.
10 min	Updates: 1 thing that are going well 1 question for consideration - (change or general comment!) 22. Student report 23. Parent report 24. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	1. Student Perspective: + Clear communication b/t counselors and students has been helpful\ re: college apps 2. Parent Perspective: +Inclusion/Acceptance of all of our various populations has been great (cultural events) How is the tardy system going? Some positives, but still there. 3. Teacher #1: Number of students missing 3/6 periods out and about. Lots of repeat students and the numbers still big.

			4. Teacher #2: Science Dept loving Experience Tutorials Tomorrow doing Frog Dissection 132 kids have signed up and 1 field trip with two upcoming Much more hands-on/active Link Crew loves working with counselors--clear communication and planning this year One concern: Scheduled Drills and movement not being communicated as clearly/changing. Staff preparation needs to be revisited. 5. Admin: Drill next week? Depends on Staff Training. Looking into this. One thing going well is great new additions to staff. Good things ever day. Good campus energy testament to Link Crew, new teachers... Concern: Major vaping problem both on campus but also generally by teenagers of this generation. To quell this, closing certain bathrooms and monitoring the others closely. J, S, and B closed. This is happening during lunch/tutorial. Getting opened 10 min after school starts. 6. Teacher #3: Liked that the counselors are visiting with students and communicating. A good community within the admin is leading to a positive campus culture and environment.
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	Closing	Chair	Motion to adjourn: Heather Second: Ms. Hoff
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Branham HS Site Council 2025-2026 - Room 7

October 1, 2025

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- Juan Fernandez (notetaker)
- Isabelle Zirbes (A)
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Time Allotted	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome/Vote/Notes
5 min	Welcome: Apples? Pumpkin or a different fall treat and why?	Principal	Shared highlights - Pumpkin (several) pie, fall. Apple (a couple) cider, Roasted chestnuts, pears, butternut squash
5 min	First Gen Mentorship program	Emiliano	Students interested in first generation college-bound students. They want to start a mentoring program for those students. College applications are different in different countries, many students experience anxiety and don't have the tools to navigate college applications. Student led club with staff help is the call to action to support first generation students.
2 min	Agenda for 10/1/25	Principal	Motion: Juan Fernandez-Maculet Second: Sigal Marash Adopted unanimously
5 min	Site Council Scope and Duties, BHS School Site Council Bylaws		Motion to approve: Beth Silbergeld Second: Heather Amanatullah
10 min		Principal	Nominations- self nominate Chair: Sarah Osband Vice-Chair: Madison Simmons Secretary: Sunna Kang and Juan Fernandez Maculet as alternate

10 min	Updates: 1 thing that are going well 1 thing to focus on for change 1 question for consideration 25. Student report 26. Parent report 27. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Things that are going well: Students: -(+): Homecoming week was wonderful with great participation -(Δ): nothing -(C): Focusing on college, some students may need more one-on-one with counselors Parents: -(+) Safety is going well, good communication on issues, good school spirit, Principal's coffee, PTSA, lots of social staff to feel part of the community -(Δ): Parent square for seniors and info on activities, SVCTE, etc. -(C): Way of reporting grades and/or dates/missing assignments in Canvas. Somehow the student before the athlete philosophy seems to have been abandoned (trying to balance academic with sports) Staff: -(+): Camaraderie feels rejuvenated, Science Experience Tutorials more hands-on across disciplines now (97 kids signed up) Next one is with Juan Oct 20 Alchemy (28) -(Δ): Enforcement of detention -(C): Detention tallies and compliance? Pre-season mandatory practices are also taking up a great amount of kids' time.
3 min	Closing	Principal	Motion to adjourn: Beth Silbergeld Second: Heather Burstein
Resources	SPSA information from Board meeting		There was an increase in SBAC scores in ELA, Math, and Science, but the reason behind this improvement is obscure. Some interventions are: Flexisched, choosing a theme (Checks for Understanding), Time for educators to collaborate, use of cycle of assessment. Some of the focus are EL students and their reclassification. Suspensions: Creating a sense of belonging. Progress has been done (moved from red to orange). Development of a Bruin profile. A-G eligibility increase to have more students able to apply to four-year colleges if wanted Engaging families with emphasis on 9th graders, multilingual and minorities.

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September 3, 2025

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5 min	Welcome/One Thing: Share a highlight of your Back to School experience this year	Principal	Shared highlights - student leadership; positive feedback;
2 min	Agenda for 9/3/25	Principal	Motion: Sarah Osband Second: David Levy
5 min	Determine Membership and plans for recruitment/elections	Principal	Goal- Equal representation of community and school Reach out to: • Reach out to ASB parents- get from Ranieri • Coffee with the principal list • Fall Sports Boosters Parents Can we change the bylaws to allow parents who are interested to participate longer than two years. Remember that these meetings are open meetings- all who can come. WASC does look to see if they are happening Should the School Site Council agenda be available on the website. There are broken links currently on the school website

15 min	Site Council Scope and Duties, BHS School Site Council Bylaws and Meeting Dates Review • Discussion and Approval of Meeting Dates • Discussion of Bylaws	Principal	Two prompts: 1. I learned this.... 2. Should this be changed.... Changes to be made: • David Levy would be a community member • There are no term limits in Section G. Can we add clarification on how many term limits. • Students follow up with plans being made • Article 2- there need to be 10 members but it does not clarify who needs to fill those roles - there needs to be a specific % of each type of membership • It states 3rd wednesday- do we need to change that specific language • Post agenda within the 72 hour window. Change that to electronic communication. Can we put this in parent square communication. • Is there an addition staff member that can fulfill the staff member position? ○ Stephanie ○ Lupe Voting will take place at the next meeting. Chair: Vice-Chair: Secretary:
10 min	Updates: 1 thing that are going well 1 thing to focus on for change 1 question for consideration 28. Student report 29. Parent report 30. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Things that are going well: Students: • Link crew going in to student classes- helping them with flexisched, club rush, and lip dub. Students engage more with upper classmen • Freshmen are feeling comfortable going to link crew leaders to get support and ask questions • Not as many people are wandering around Parents: • Link Crew check ins • Teachers!

			Staff & Teachers: • Great Admin team - a team that can work through problems • Not using tech has worked well- the new no phone policy • Having clear policies presented to teachers and students Focus for change Students: • School spirit has decreased • We want to do more whole school small events to get the campus involved and engaged Parents: • How we support teachers to prevent burnout Staff & Teachers • How to better engage disenfranchised students • Flexisched- its all over the place right now • Advisory agenda - what is the calendar to be released to teachers • Dress code changes may need to be addressed. Types of clothing that may be used for intimidation. Question for consideration Students • Flexisched- can we go see a teacher we have previously had. Want to see previous teachers that they have to get help with college apps and recommendation letters ○ Teachers can add you to their list. ○ College materials should be completed outside of class ○ Teachers should be touching base with current ○ Can English host specific tutorials for letter of recommendations Parents: • We can not reduce cell phone use because the primary school communication is through the phone & technology
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			Staff & Teachers • Who is using AI and how is it going? • What is the teacher's experience of students using it?
3 min	Closing	Principal	Motion to adjourn: Brady Second: Kang
Resources	SPSA information from Board meeting		