

Branham HS Site Council 2024-2025 - Room 8

5/21/25

Members Beth Silbergeld, Analisa Ruiz-Garcia, Heather Amanatullah, Avishawd Yarisaid, Jen Brady, Sigal Marash, Isabelle Zirbes

Amanda, Sunna, Sarah

Absent Marisa Hoff, Kori Reynolds, Juan Fernandez

Meeting Dates: 10/16, 11/13, 1/15, 2/12, 3/26, 4/16, 5/21

Time Allotted	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome/Vote/Notes
5 min	Welcome/One Thing: Something you're looking forward to over summer!	Chair	Isabelle is getting married
2 min	Agenda for 5/21/25	Chair	Avishawd Approves Mrs. Marash Second
25 min	SPSA Budget	Ms. Silb	SPSA 2025 Working draft - Department Budget 2025-2026 https://docs.google.com/document/d/1U7_SxsZigKRB-726F3prBi4KskSWGev0-IDFoQu1hcY/edit?usp=sharing - Branham 2025-26 Budget Templ...
15 min	Updates: Consider positive and areas for growth - Student report - Parent report - Staff report	Students Parents Staff	- Sigal: Everyone excited about Prom! Staff report - - HA: student projects about first generation college students- idea for creating a network of 1st generation students- Emiliano; - Review subgroups /alumni - Seniors very excited! Countdown - Organization very strong this year for Seniors - Kids are very appreciative of Ms. Silb being a visible presence (students, teacher, and parents) - Silb went to PLTW -- let's get more advertising for this great event. - Schremp Campbell Teacher of the Year Students - Happy APs are done! - Great final district board meeting and celebrations - Grad caps soon

			- Any students could not meet Dual Enrollment deadline (perhaps implement something for kids to be guided through process--clearer instructions) - Some freshmen only thought Dual Enrollment only for Upper Classmen - Link Crew Applications for Sophs now gone and there is some frustration here - Juniors CAASPP doesn't feel important to them and know it matters but still didn't try as much. Can we incentivize kids to try? Arudini tells them it factors into her letters of rec and also functions in terms of placement tests in college. - Can't get Seal of Biliteracy without passing the English portion of CAASPP. - Maybe grade bump? Takes teacher buy-in. - Food trucks! - Changing of the Guard-Passing the Torch from our Seniors to our next gen - Senior Awards Ceremony NOW May 28th! - Better advertising for Seal of Biliteracy and how to attain in. Will be great for our EM students - Stanford and SCU/American U in DC! - A doing a dinner with Stanford Peds tomorrow for interns
3 min	Closing	Chair	Motion to Adjourn: Miss Brady Avishawd Second
	Resources  BHS School Site Council By...		

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4/16/25

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Absent Juan Fernandez,

Meeting Dates: 10/16, 11/13, 1/15, 2/12, 3/26, 4/16, 5/21

Time Allotted	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome/Vote/Notes
5 min	Welcome/One Thing: Spring Break Recaps	Chair	
2 min	Agenda for 4/16/25	Chair	Motion to Approve: Ms. Brady Second: Ms. Marash
25 min	Discussion: What school strategies/routines do you recommend should be implemented in common starting in 2025-2026? (Consider what has already been offered)	Ms. Silb	- Hard to answer bc teaching is so unique (may not feel natural to others) - Find one that is adaptable to departments/teaching styles - Best practice sharing (create a list of what works and doesn't work) - Powerful opener/Beginning of class idea - During every class period, we want you to do one activity that is - interpersonal (working with a neighbor) partner check in that isn't science (SEL) - Closure: Summarize in one sentence what you learned (MVP of the lesson) - Teacher had a bell ringer/warm up - current event/anticipatory guide/preview/ review/community builder - Mindfulness activity - Buy in - agreed upon (this is something we want to do) - Do now/bell ringer - See one , do one, teach one vs. I do, we do, you do (what does gradual release look like in different departments?)

			- Hook (what is going on/engaging questions) - How can we refine our teaching practices (more PD on it) - Focus group based on best practices - shared in PDs or wall in staff room - Partner talk (scenarios acted out) vs worksheet - Collaborative structures - vocab/word wall
5 min	Review plan for next meeting and next year	Ms. Silb / Chair	• Review LCAP • Preliminary approval of budget • Invite students
15 min	Updates: Consider positive and areas for growth 4. Student report 5. Parent report 6. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Parent Updates: • No updates, going pretty well • Make sure emails get fixed for spring break Staff/Teacher Updates: • No updates • Final Stretch!! (still a lot to do though!) Student Updates: • Final acoustic night w/ senior recognition • Senior nights for spring sports • Link Crew interviews and elections and field day coming up soon! • Prom tickets now on sale ◦ Blue slips need to be advertised more • AP exams coming up soon! • LSU showcase - May 2 • BOTC next week • ASB banquet Administrator Updates: • So much energy and we can get there! • Goodbyes and honors for our retiring teachers and first year teachers • Hiring to do • First books for the library!
3 min	Closing	Chair	Motion to adjourn: Avishawd Second: Ms. Marash All Approved
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3/24/25

Members Beth Silbergeld, Juan Fernandez, Analisa Ruiz-Garcia, Heather Amanatullah, Marisa Hoff, Jen Brady

Absent Avishawd Yarisaied, Sigal Marash, Kori Reynolds, Isabelle Zirbes

Meeting Dates: 10/16, 11/13, 1/15, 2/12, 3/26, 4/16, 5/21

Time Allotted	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome/Vote/Notes
5 min	Welcome/One Thing: Favorite spring traditions?	Chair	Sneezing, wearing shorts, spring cleaning, Passover,
2 min	Agenda for 3/26/25	Chair	Motion to Approve: Jennifer Brady Second: Heather Amanatullah
25 min	SPSA Goals and Strategies Review	Ms. Silb	Link to Google Doc
5 min	Council Elections Brainstorm	Chair	Link to Google Doc
15 min	Updates: Consider positive and areas for growth 7. Student report 8. Parent report 9. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Parent Updates: - Sometimes there is too much information for parents in meetings and it might get confusing. Staff/Teacher Updates: - Teacher of the year elections - Flexisched issues Student Updates: - Planning inaugural BOTC dance after the rally. Very exciting! - Second semester in full swing Administrator Updates: - Behavior issues committee. Talking about some behaviors: chronic tardiness, use of technology, academic integrity, interactions (language and respect).
3 min	Closing	Chair	Motion to adjourn: Jennifer Brady Second: Marisa Hoff and Heather Amanatullah simultaneously

			All Approved
Resources	SPSA Slides (original before edit for reference)		

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2/12/25

Members Sigal Marash, Beth Silbergeld, Juan Fernandez, Kori Reynolds, Isabelle Zirbes, Avishawd Yarisaid, Analisa Ruiz-Garcia, Heather Amanatullah, Marisa Hoff

Absent Avishawd Yarisaid, Jen Brady

Meeting Dates: 10/16, 11/13, 1/15, 2/12, 3/12, 4/16, 5/21

Time Allotted	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome/Vote/Notes
5 min	Welcome/One Thing: Any exciting plans for February break?	Chair	Relaxing and spending time with family, binge watching different series, early spring cleaning
2 min	Agenda for 2/12/25	Chair	Motion to Approve: Sigal Marash Second: Ms. Zirbes All in Favor
25 min	Review SARC	Ms. Silb	SARC How do the school's performance results align with the goals set in the School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)? What strategies and resources should be prioritized to address areas of need highlighted in the SARC? Refer to notes from Ms. Silb
15 min	Updates: Consider positive and areas for growth 10. Student report 11. Parent report 12. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Parent Updates: • Parent Square communication is really good, it is appreciated • Sending the transcript to parents is very helpful and good to check if students are on track to graduate • Wrestling tournaments show parents and coaches are really engaged, great place for whole community to interact and come together Staff/Teacher Updates: • Continuing working on tardiness and attendance Student Updates: • Love ball smaller • Getting ready for BOTC (Battle of the Classes)

			• ASB applications closed - interviews next week • Classes are moving along; approaching AP Season
3 min	Closing	Chair	Motion to adjourn: Ms. Zirbes Second: Sigal Marash All Approved
Resources	SPSA Slides (original before edit for reference)		

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1/15/25

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Absent Heather Amanatullah, Marisa Hoff

Meeting Dates: 10/16, 11/13, 1/15, 2/12, 3/12, 4/16, 5/21

Time Allotted	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome/Vote/Notes
5 min	Welcome/One Thing: One thing you're leaving behind in 2024?	Chair	Excuses, negative people, anxiety, snacking at the office, bad eating habits, anxiousness about specific thing and accept, old address, done in August (depth and not quantity).
2 min	Agenda for 1/15/25	Chair	Motion to Approve: Juan Fernandez-Maculet Second: Sigal Marash All Approved
25 min	2024-2025 SPSA Monitoring	Ms. Silb	SSC members commented on the SPSA progress.
2 min	Review SARC	Ms. Silb	SARC going to Board tomorrow Will review at next SSC
5	Review Embedded Intervention	Ms. Silb	Different teachers are going to do slightly diverse interventions. Embedded recovery, maybe during 7th period could be proposed.
15 min	Updates: Consider positive and areas for growth 13. Student report 14. Parent report 15. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Parent Updates: - It is quiet, no news is good news Staff/Teacher Updates: - Some concerns have been raised regarding students dropping AP classes. There is a procedure, but the dropping can affect on level grade teachers and other teachers when on level classes do not apply. - Tardies are getting out of control. - Another concern is students being moved because of parental requests. Student Updates: - Classes should be presented in a way that communicates expectations. - Publicizing the AP panel for students to learn about AP classes.

			Students used to have SVCTE card;students leaving for food; Procedure for dropping AP classes. Is counseling using the procedure? (impact on workload of students; culture of taking the classes you were signed up to take). Publicizing that you will stay in the classes you are assigned to (to families and students).
3 min	Closing	Chair	Motion to adjourn: Juan Fernandez-Maculet Second: Jen Brady
Resources	SPSA Slides		

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11/13/24

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Meeting Dates: 10/16, 11/13, 1/15, 2/12, 3/12, 4/16, 5/21

Time Allotted	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome/Vote/Notes
5 min	Welcome/One Thing: What's one thing you're grateful for?	Chair	Family visits, Bobbi Arduini, family support/presence, for a good year, family!, family and school, health and body
2 min	Agenda for 11/13/24	Chair	Motion to Approve: Ms. Amanatullah Second: Ms. Silb All Approved
20 min	SPSA Monitoring / Implementation	Ms. Silb	
15 min	Updates: Consider positive and areas for growth 16. Student report 17. Parent report 18. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Parent Updates: - Hearing lots of positives from the community Staff/Teacher Updates: - End of Semester we completed all of our emergency drills (100% participation from teachers!), good reviews from DO, doing a great job - Efforts for teachers to have more activities together, still work in progress Student Updates:

			• Donations for Winter Wishes
3 min	Closing	Chair	Motion to adjourn: Ms. Amanatullah Second: Sigal Marash All Approved
Resources	SPSA Slides		Let's look into the language we use in SPSA related to Anti-Racist Grading Practices--can be misconstrued or offensive/accusatory to some readers..

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10/16/24

Members Sigal Marash, Beth Silbergeld, Marisa Hoff, Juan Fernandez, Heather Amanatullah, Kori Reynolds, Isabelle Zirbes, Avishawd Yarisaid, Analisa Ruiz-Garcia, Jen Brady

Attendance: Scott Savory

Meeting Dates: 10/16, 11/13, 1/15, 2/12, 3/12, 4/16, 5/14

Time Allotted	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome/Vote/Notes
5 min	Welcome/One Thing: Favorite fall drink	Chair	Members introduced themselves and shared their favorite fall drink, such as hot chocolate, chai, tea, or apple cider.
2 min	Agenda for 10/16/24	Chair	Motioned and seconded to open the meeting at 2:26 pm.
15 min	Site Council Scope and Duties, BHS School Site Council Bylaws Guidelines	Chair	Chair: Analisa Ruiz-Garcia Vice-Chair: Avishawd Yarisaid Secretary: Juan Fernandez Moved by Ms. Silbergeld, seconded by Ms. Marash. Approved unanimously.
20 min	Review the 2024-2025 School Site Safety Plan	Mr. Savory	Mr. Savory presented the highlights of the School Site Safety Plan that is going to be brought to the District Safety Plan for alignment among the sites.
15 min	Updates: Consider positive and areas for growth 19. Student report 20. Parent report 21. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Parents: Many positive comments from parents: Happy with the number of activities, safety, academics, etc. Questions regarding gates during seventh period and when students are allowed to leave dances. Students: Appreciative of teachers, e.g. surveys. Fun updates: Link Crew had a picnic, with a good turnout. Events for the whole school year have been planned. National Hispanic Heritage month, had a movie (in Spanish) and other celebrations. The Wish committee is being formed and everyone is welcome to volunteer. Teachers: Better advertise club meetings, in particular LSU, BSU, and similar cultural clubs. River cleaning event this weekend. Administration: Although enrollment has declined slightly, there is more participation in

			activities (for example attendance to dances). There is a plan to upgrade practicing fields, in collaboration with the district.
3 min	Closing	Chair	Motion to adjourn: Avishawd Y. Second: Heather A. Approved unanimously.
Resources	Complete Streets Safety Report		

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Members

- Kori Reynolds
- Juan Fernandez
- Avishawd Yarisaied
- Isabelle Zirbes
- Jen Brady
- Beth Silbergeld
- Analisa Ruiz-Garcia

Meeting Dates: 9/18, 10/16, 11/13, 1/15, 2/12, 3/12, 4/16, 5/14

Time Allotted	Topic	Lead(s)	Outcome/Vote/Notes
5 min	Welcome/One Thing: What is one thing you are excited about this fall (starts on Sunday)?	Chair	Excited about fall, football on Sunday, understanding football, family weekends at school, pumpkins!, more peaceful feelings, fall traditions (such as apple picking).
2 min	Agenda for 8/26/24	Chair	Motion: Juan Fernandez-Maculet Second: Jen Brady Unanimously approved
15 min	Site Council Scope and Duties, BHS School Site Council Bylaws and Meeting Dates Review Guidelines • Discussion and Approval of Meeting Dates • Review Guidelines • Discussion of Bylaws	Chair	Chair: Analisa Ruiz-Garcia Vice-Chair: Avishawd Yarisaied Secretary: Juan Fernandez By-Laws were revised by the attending members and some minor changes were done to them. The SSC is waiting for the presence of parents before approving the bylaws. Guidelines need to be reviewed to avoid repetition or even contradictions with the bylaws. Meeting dates have been moved to Wednesdays.
10 min	Review and update the SPSA Information	Principal	SPSA was to be presented to the Board of Trustees last month but it was postponed due to a change in leadership at the site. The SSC reviewed all the goals to adjust some of the targets by each goal, and discussed the measurable outcomes.
10 min	Updates: 3 things that are going well 2 things to focus on for change 1 question or consideration 22. Student report 23. Parent report 24. Staff report	Students Parents Staff	Staff: Great sense of community, cell phone policy seems to be working well. To focus: Work with Flexisched, tardy policy, etc. Students: Happy about Ethnic Lit class and info regarding Ethnic Studies. New system for parking (assigned spaces) is working pretty well. Link Crew is going well, a year-long program. Focus: Lunch lines are getting longer and consider that although Flexisched is

			working, not all students know how to use it and it seems that some teachers are setting their tutorial maxima to zero. ASB doing well, happy with new leadership on ASB. Ho-Co is coming and classes are going well, with active discussions etc. Focus: On volleyball as last year with the school team. Flexisched: no specific deadlines are yet in place, so it can get a little confusing.
3 min	Closing	Chair	Motion to adjourn: Analisa Ruiz-Garcia Second: Isabelle Zirbes Passed unanimously
Resources	SPSA information		