

Band Boosters Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2025

6:00 pm High School Cafeteria during P/T Conferences

Board Members Present- Carol VanHoosier, Amy Salfai, Melissa McGeehan

Board members not in Attendance- Misty Jakeway

Guest - Duane Willson, Tom Harder, Taylor Huitema

1. Secretary's Report - all meeting notes have been posted to the website, please take a look for approval. Sponsorship note for Sonjia and Tip of the Mitt Ortho was redone.
2. Treasurer's Report - Checks deposited. Melissa gave a financial report. Amy was asked to check the PO box and make deposits when Melissa is out of town. Melissa will leave the debit card with Amy as well. Melissa will call in or video in for meetings when she can.
3. Senior Parent Night
 - i. Date: Friday, Oct. 24, During Halftime, Football usually has senior night
 - ii. Photographer and Camera will be done by Tara. She agreed and put it in her calendar.
 - iii. Flowers - Julie- will need 25
 - iv. Chair/organizer - Julie Saunders
 - v. Parent names to Ken Mainland from the directors
4. Band Banquet
 - a. Date: Oct. 28 (Tuesday) @6pm - 7pm
 - b. Chair - Ashley Maginnis - not needed
 - c. There will be no food this year. We will do coffee, water and gatorade.
 - d. cafeteria is reserved
5. Competitions
 - a. East Kentwood (Oct.18), Brandon-Ortonville (Oct. 25)
 - b. Bus chaperones- Amy has the list and will contact everyone that signed up to confirm attendance and to get background checks going and cleared.
 - c. Do you need anything? Good on water and snacks?
 - d. We have had some beautiful weather for our games and competition, therefore we do have some very sweaty, stinky uniforms/kids. We will buy febreze to spray the uniforms.
 - i. I don't think they know when to grab them.
 - ii. Perhaps you could have a quick conversation with them about:
6. Online Merch Stores!

- a. We have had three online merch stores this fall season: Band Shirt, Band Shirt with Sweatshirt, and the new logo store (with alumni merch!)
 - b. People are still interested in the alumni merch, so that will still be a thing in the next store opening.
 - c. Shall we plan to have another store open again for the end of November/ during the winter concerts? YES!!!
 - d. Any suggestions for other items?
7. Raffle
- a. Raffle tickets were sent out on Monday, October 6, 2025
 - b. Let's talk about the timing of the raffle: we will keep current timing, but prepare differently.
 - c. The guys have the extra raffle tickets.
 - d. The guys will email amy to pick up the returned envelopes and pull cash/checks before handing tickets over to Carol
 - e. Currently, the returned tickets can be collected and Carol will be in charge of tracking them. She is going to contact Julie to see if she is interested in taking it back over after the fall show concludes.
 - f. What exactly needs to be done to wrap up raffle:
 - i. Account for each ticket in the spreadsheet
 - 1. past notes indicate that calling doesn't make much of a difference
 - 2. but we certainly can send out ParentSquare messages as reminders!
 - 3. I can also do targeted direct messages to those that have not turned theirs in.
 - g. We'll need to ask the chamber to borrow the big spinner and someone will need to pick it up for the concert and return it to them.
8. Winter Concert - Dec. 4, 2024 @ 7:30pm
- a. When do we start fittings? Misty can no longer do the uniforms and we need someone new. Someone will reach out to Sara H to see if she can take it over.
 - b. Reserved seating - send email out 2-3 weeks before. We will do one block in the middle of the seating area so that it is less confusing than last year.
 - c. Chair was Corina last year, is she still interested? Tom will reach out for a possible replacement and to see if they will shadow Corina.
9. Quick Jump ahead - Band Aid (May 15) (I know, it's early, but it's a big event!)
- a. Will take place at PHS- NO FEE to hold it there and not as much time trying to move equipment.
 - b. We plan to do another digital Auction
 - i. Carol will start chatting with Sam Willson and Mary Bielaczyc

10. Note from last year: We have put “on hold” doing sponsors for our programs for the winter concert. We will do a “Thank you” section on the program.

Next Meeting Date: We will go back to the first Tuesday of the month for meetings. Meetings are NOT held in December. Our next meeting is Tuesday November 4th

Meeting Adjourned at 7:14