



From Many, One!

SHS Band Boosters:

Meeting was called to order by President Vicki Shadel at 7:01pm on Tuesday 10th October, 23.

In attendance: All current 2023 - 2024 officers were in attendance: Vicki Shadel, Vanessa Hensley, Dan Alberth, Carrie McHugh, Vinnie Inendino, Anthony Graffeo and Leah Robin. Band Boosters present were: Jen Muchoney, Jen Eisenmenger, Ivette Vega, Donna Alberto, Michelle Pikscher, Kelly Rizzo, Kathy Ashenfelter, Babr Targowski, Tammy Loch, Pilar Vences, Julie Stortenbecker, Lisa James, Kristen Caldwell, Tom Norbut, Jeana Norbut, Alan Grimm, Stu Gallup, Dawn Hoelzer, Nancy Ruiz, Ashlie Daigle, Venkat Ramaswamy.

President Vicki Shadel's welcome: Vicki welcomed everyone and handed the floor over to Leah.

Student Band President Leah Robin's report: Leah shared what has happened during the last month: they decorated one of the upper stairs hallways for homecoming, the cadet band was included in a TikTok video, the Band leadership team has been discussing senior headbands and senior speeches, generally getting ready for the last football game of the season that's happening this coming Friday. The homecoming game, they got to work with the local 8th graders during the day and then both SD54 8th graders from Frost, Keller and Addams, along with our alumni performed along side the band. Tuesday marching rehearsals have been happening, but have come to an end with today's practice. ILMEA auditions were due and have been submitted.

Secretary Carrie McHugh's report: Meeting minutes from our September meeting were approved by the directors and posted online, as well as being available in copy this evening.

Treasurer Dan Alberth's report: Dan walked us through all the incomings and outgoings and our current available funds.

Band Uniformity: Thanks were given by Tammy and Donna for all of the assistance given this marching season. Symphonic band formal wear will be given out soon. Have your students try them on before the concert so if alterations are needed they can be addressed as soon as possible.

Fundraising:

Dine 2 Donate - Subway Monday's will continue to run throughout the school year! Every Monday you can eat and 15% comes back to the band. Students and staff can show their IDs at the time of purchase and receive a free cookie.

On Wednesday 25th Oct we have a Menchie's D2D which will run from the hours of 12pm to 9pm and they will give back 20%.

Raise Right/GLS Gift cards - The QR code is on the band website. You can download the app through Raise Right's website then scan the QR code on our website. October's gift cards will be given out soon.

Previous Business with Vicki Shadel: RECAP: Thank you to everyone who came out to help during Senior Night, the extra help was appreciated, so that Senior parents could be out in the field with their student(s), celebrate and enjoy watching. Homecoming which also included SD54 and Alumni night was successful and there were a lot of people on the field. We fed the SD54 students pizza and the alumni had cupcakes. Thank you to everyone who helped out that night. Music Mosaic Concert followed which included the top orchestra, band and choir performing, with some combo groups and ended with a combined performance of all 3 groups. Our football game on the 29th felt more low key after homecoming. The next day we had Craft show & bak sale which went very well. Thank you for the donations.

New Business: UPCOMING: We have our last football/marching game this Friday, lets hope the rain doesn't happen so we can have one last fabulous game.

Next week we have the Variety Show on Thursday & Friday night at 7pm. There are a lot of band kids in the Variety Show and it's always a good night to experience. The orchestra concert on the 26th has a few band members participating. ILMEA for the students who made it through will take place on Saturday 4th November for band students and Saturday 18th November for Jazz students. Sunday 12th November the Jazz Ensemble will open for the Jazz Consortium Big Band at Durty Nellies at 6pm. The Holiday Showcase concerts & raffles will take place on 5th & 6th December. Kim Diercks will be running this event again, if you would like to help or donate please reach out to Kim or myself.

Band Director Updates

Mr Inendino - THANKS given for all of the help this marching band session. The Jazz combo performed at the Palatine Jazz Fest and received a LOT of wonderful feedback. Jazz Ensemble are returning to Durty Nellie's to open for The Jazz Consortium Big Band and will get to hang out after their opener to eat and watch the band perform at a professional level. There was an email blast sent out and it's posted on Social Media, we are running a fundraiser through Living Tree, which will help provide private lessons, pay for clinicians to come in, help with any inventory needs and some money will go towards the raincoat fund.

Mr. Graffeo - We have a Waist up store running right now for the marching band t-shirts for both this year and last year. If you ship it to the school then there is no shipping fee.

This weeks game call time is at 5pm because of the senior speeches prior to the game.

Maui and Jen shared some upcoming concerts for the MYAC (Midwest Young Artists Conservatory)

Some of our students are also part of the Spring Valley Concert Band performance on 22nd October.

Kelly Rizzo purchased a Christmas tree at Brookfield Zoo on behalf of the Band Boosters. We were asked to let the section leaders know, so they could start contributing the the trees ornaments and then the students will be able to come and decorate it on the 11th & 12th November.

Our Next meeting is MONDAY 13th November.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

These minutes have been approved by Band Directors Vinnie Inendino and Anthony Graffeo upon submission by Band Booster Secretary, Carrie McHugh