



From Many, One!

SHS Band Boosters:

March Meeting was called to order by President Vicki Shadel on Monday 11th March at 7:01pm.

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: Kelly Rizzo, Ashlie Daigle, Traci Hoos, Dolma Bharadwaj, Barb Targowski, Kathy Ashenfelter, Donna Alberth, Alan Grimm, Maui Mendez, Tom Norbut, Jeana Norbut, Ivette Vega, Pam Ackert, Lisa James, Jen Eisenmenger and Michelle Pikscher

President Vicki Shadel's welcome: opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Student Band President Leah Robin's report: A lot has happened recently... Jazz 'n' Joe, solo & ensemble festival, trip meeting, Band-a-rama concert with SD54 7th and 8th graders having lunch with the band, this year was different as the 7th graders got to join in the fun, instead of only 8th graders. We had the Orchestra concerto concert last week, band member Narin Kim was one of the highlighted soloists and then the Honor Band field trip with an incredible performance experience. There are two Band-Aid concerts this coming week and the charity we are supporting is St. Baldrick's, along with the rest of the school. There will be 3 students from within the student leadership team speaking each night, Anika, Jacob and Peter on the first night and Aiden, Brandon and Callum on the second night. A few band students have been performing and raising money for St. Baldrick's. Peyton Caster suggested that the band have an SHS music department group raising money in the St. Baldrick's group donation area and so far the total is almost \$3000.

Secretary Carrie McHugh's report: Meeting minutes from March 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 while highlighting the theft/hacking we experienced within the Band Booster bank account. All funds have been returned.

Band Uniformity: Donna let us know that it's all about getting ready for the upcoming band & choir tour. Uniforms have been bagged and hat boxes are being checked and set up.

PLEASE remind your student to bring BLACK socks, they need to be calf length. Please check in with your students about marching shoe fit, if they need replacement/new shoes see Donna or Tammy ASAP, as the tour is 12 days away.

Fundraising:

Dine 2 Donate - Subway is still in effect as far as i know, Mr. Patel is proving to be hard to connect and meet up with. The other fundraiser for the month was running this evening, Chipotle and was hopefully a success.

Raise Right/GLS Gift cards - GC orders are in and in the process of prep for handout. There will be 2 more GC fundraisers this school year.

Previous Business with Vicki Shadel: 21st February: Jazz and Joe - THANK YOU to everyone involved, whether that was through a donation or volunteering your time. Stan doing room only again, which is always good. The new floor plan was great and opened up things a little more. A big THANKS goes to Jen and Michelle for getting us the "joe" donation this year. The guest artist was wonderful and a hot with all involved! Everyone (students and guests) gave rave reviews about the artist and the performances throughout the night. We made \$1256 profit that night.

27th February: Solo & ensemble - eventful night thanks to the tornado alarms mingled with the thunderstorms on top of the excellent performances.

28th Feb: Mandatory Band tour meeting followed immediately by a chaperone meeting.

Tomorrow, Tuesday 12th March: Cadet and Concert bands performing at the Band-aid concert at 7pm and Thursday 14th March: Symphonic band and Wind Symphony performing at the Band-aid concert at 7pm. All money raised is going to St. Baldrick's.

The Band Boosters scholarship is live on the website, with a deadline of 11:59pm on Friday 5th April. Senior students have to be doing something within music at college to qualify, they do not have to be majoring in music. If you would like to volunteer please reach out to Alan Grimm. NO senior parents allowed. All applications are redacted so you don't know who writes them.

New Business: Some of these topics have passed and don't really count as upcoming, but we didn't discuss them last month, so I'm including them here. On 2nd March our percussionists went to the Elk Grove Village Day of percussion, we here lots of great things about this day. Orchestra concerto concert featured two of our band members as soloists (Narin and Edie). The D211 honor band went to Palatine HS this past weekend for another amazing concert, working with the DePaul University conductor, Dr. Eric Neidlinger. Friday was spent practicing all day, with some clinics and a phenomenal concert.

Band-aid concerts - tomorrow, 12th and Thursday 14th.

The Florida Band & choir tour - meeting at the HS at 4am on Saturday 23rd, with buses leaving at 5am. We will return around 9pm on Thursday 28th. Remember BLACK SOCKS! Remember Member shirts.

CICBF will take place on Saturday 13th April at Hersey HS. This is an all day event for SB & WS with mini clinics, performances and a concert at the end of the day. Chaperones are needed for the bus. The projected return time is 4:30pm.

Our musical this year is Cinderella and we have a lot of band students participating in the musical, either through performing, tech or pit. It runs 18th - 20th April.

Our student band president, Leah is playing the step-mother.

The last thing on our agenda is planning for next years officers, they will be a committee in place to help pick new officers. If you would like to be in the running for an officer position next year please see me, Vicki, to have your name put forward.

Band Director Updates

Mr. Graffeo - EGV day of percussion is and was a great opportunity for the students, as it gives access to wonderful clinicians like, Ben Whalen, who teaches at Northern Illinois University and College of Dupage and Doug Bratt, who teaches at Moraine Valley Community college. The feature performance this year was the DePaul university wind ensemble under the direction of our own percussion instructor, Michael Kozakis.

Band-aid has some surprises in store on both nights.

The D211 honor band truly is something wonderful to see and experience.

There are a few missing forms for the Florida band tour, we are quickly approaching the departure date, so we will be following up with certain students.

Mr Inendino - Echoed the wonderful experience during the Solo & ensemble performances, some of the students will also be performing during the Band-aid concerts.

Florida tour is happening! The countdown is on. We are in daily discussions with Bob Rogers Travel and everything looks to be in order.

Waist-up orders are in. They will be distributed this week.

Overall, this is a BUSY month for us directors and our students.

Our Next meeting is Tuesday 9th April.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:42pm.

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