



From Many, One!

SHS BAND BOOSTERS: Tuesday, May 10, 2022. Meeting was called to order by Rick Barlow at 6:59 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Rick Barlow, Alan Grimm, Debra Grimm, Donna Alberth, Dan Alberth, Carrie McHugh, Vanessa Hensley, Vicki Shadel, LeAnn Barlow, Scott Eisenmenger, Jen Eisenmenger, Barbara Velez, Pilar Vences, Reema Mascarenhas, Christina Kayalik, Tom Norbut, Jeana Norbut, Mr. Inendino, Danny Flores

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME (Rick Barlow): Thanks to all for participating in the final meeting of the year.

BAND PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Alan Medina): Absent due to Operation Snowball student leadership activities in Chicago so no report filed, but Mr. Inendino conveyed his regards.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Mary Wishnew): Rick Barlow filled in for Secretary Mary Wishnew and presented the April meeting minutes for review and approval. Tom Norbut moved to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Carrie Bell-McHugh.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Dan Alberth): Treasurer Dan Alberth's report was submitted during the meeting and accepted as is.

BAND UNIFORMITY (Tammy Loch): Donna Alberth filled in for Tammy Loch and said they were ready to collect formalwear after the final concert on May 18.

FUNdraising (Vice President Alan Grimm and Debbie Grimm): The final Dine-to-Donate for the school year occurs tomorrow (May 11) at Village Tavern & Grill. The Band program earned \$800+ from GLS card support.

PREVIOUS BUSINESS (Rick Barlow): Rick Barlow highlighted what the Band Boosters accomplished during the 2021-2022 school year.

- Booster communication touchpoints increased via more frequent emails and newsletters, which increased volunteer interest and participation.
- The number of D2D events doubled to two per month – typically every 2nd and 4th Wednesday – and generated four-digit revenue for the program.
- Band members finally were able to wear their new marching uniforms on the field and in the gym for performances. The previous uniforms were repurposed into commemorative Band pillows as a fundraiser to purchase new raincoats for the Band.
- Three major fundraisers – Craft Show Bake Sale (October), Holiday Concert & Raffle (December) and Jazz 'n Joe (March) each generated four-digit revenue – the Band's designated charity this year, the Wounded Warrior Project, generated a four-digit donation amount, and the D54 Band-o-Rama DQ Blizzard sale sold out within 25 minutes.
- As the opening act to the D54 Band-o-Rama concert, we debuted a panel/Q&A session for parents of

junior high band members to introduce them to high school band.

- During the fall football season, we rolled out a badge system to help students identify Band Boosters more easily and enable Band Boosters to move around freely between the stadium and the school.
- We rolled out a new water distribution process to keep the student musicians hydrated safely within changing pandemic protocols.
- We hosted the D211 Honor Band event – the first after a two-year, pandemic-related absence and reset the model/stage for other high schools to follow.

NEW BUSINESS (Rick Barlow): Rick Barlow reminded everyone about the Band Awards Concert/Senior Night on May 18. Vicki Shadel and her team will be bringing the cakes, setting up, serving and cleaning up. Alan Grimm announced that a winner was chosen for the 2022 Band Booster Scholarship, which will be announced on May 18. Finally, elections for the 2022-2023 SHS Band Boosters Board of Directors were held by secret ballot. By popular vote, next year's Board consists of **Vicki Shadel, President; Alan Grimm, Vice President; Carrie Bell-McHugh, Secretary;** and **Dan Alberth, Treasurer**. Rick Barlow congratulated the new officers, effective August 1, and thanked the current officers for their service.

DIRECTOR UPDATES

Mr. Inendino:

- Danny Flores (in attendance tonight), saxophone-playing student teacher attending Chicago's VanderCook College of Music, will conduct several of the final concert songs.
- Symphonic Band and Wind Symphony formalwear uniforms will be collected right before the Senior Night cake reception.
- The Graffeo family welcomed new daughter Olivia Marie during this meeting.
- Kevin Miller, Mr. Inendino's predecessor, will fill in for Mr. Graffeo temporarily.
- Incoming Freshman Night is scheduled for Wednesday, May 25, 6-7 p.m. in the Auditorium.
- The summer schedule is being finalized, but Sectionals take place July 18-21, from 1-4 p.m.; and Band Camp on August 1-5, from 1-8:30 p.m., with Friday, August 5, offering a Parent Preview at 7 p.m. The half-time show will be announced this Friday.

Mr. Graffeo: Absent due to the birth of daughter Olivia Marie tonight who joins big brother Ben.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- D2D: Village Tavern & Grill – May 11
- Band Awards Concert/Senior Night – May 18
- Graduation – May 24
- Incoming Freshmen Night – May 25

OPEN MIC: The last *SHS Band Booster Newsletter* of the school year is scheduled to be released the week of May 22, and a special summer edition will be distributed in July for incoming freshmen band parents.

Follow the Band and Band Boosters on Facebook. Look for *Schaumburg High School Band* and *SHS Band Boosters*. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Barlow, President