



From Many, One!

SHS Band Boosters: Tuesday 11th October, 2022. The meeting was called to order by President Vicki Shadel at 7:01pm

In attendance: Vicki Shadel, Carrie McHugh, Vinnie Inendino, Anthony Graffeo, Ivette Vega, Barb Targowski, Alan Grimm, Scott Eisenmenger, Donna Alberth, Jeana Norbut, Tom Norbut, Lisa James, Tracy Hoos, Venkat Ramaswamy, Robi Vollkommer, Kelly Rizzo, Pilar Vences and Reema Mascarenhas

President Vicki Shadel's Welcome: Thanked everyone for joining us, especially with the VIP meeting happening in conjunction this evening. Our president outlined to everyone in attendance what the guidelines are as a participating Band Booster parent and volunteer and how important our participation is through volunteering and fundraising. Band Directors Vinnie Inendino and Anthony Graffeo emphasized how our organization is run with some differences in comparison to other organizations and that our sole purpose is to enhance all experiences within the program for all students.

Student Band President Josephine Mascarenhas: Josephine touched on some of the exciting things that have happened within the last month and upcoming events. NIU was an exciting and successful day for all involved with an added bonus of seeing a former Saxon as a Husky drum major. The Music Mosaic was another successful event with top band, choir and orchestra students performing. There was a band event catered towards underclassmen to interact with one another. It involved a scavenger hunt, pizza and a movie viewing of 'Paul Blart' giving the band group as a whole a chance to bond. Homecoming week was a busy one which involved the students coming together to decorate the hallway (located upstairs) on the Tuesday with the theme 'Princess and the frog', followed by the game that Friday which had a great turnout. The SD54 band students had a lot of fun joining in the festivities and getting a taste of what's to come. The highlight for our students in addition to the junior high kids have so much fun, was seeing so many alums return to participate. A wonderful night overall! Our final home game is approaching this Friday and a lot of the students are excited to listen to the seniors give their speeches, sharing advice, giving insight and generally sharing their personal experience within the band program. Call time is at 4:30pm, slightly earlier than normal because of senior speeches. This Friday's game falls within Breast cancer awareness month, so students will have the opportunity to purchase pink gloves for the final game. Gloves are limited, we only have 50 pairs up for grabs and they will cost \$5 and go on sale tomorrow (Wednesday 12th October).

Treasurer Dan Alberth's report: The report was presented during the meeting by Band Booster VP Alan Grimm, as our Treasurer was absent this evening. Alan walked us through our current financial standings.

Secretary Carrie McHugh's report: Minutes from Septembers meeting were available for review in hard copy at this evening's meeting and on our band website. The minutes had already been approved (and will be approved going forward) by the Band Directors and Band Booster officers.

Band Uniformity: Tammy Loch wasn't present, so Donna Alberth gave thanks for the help received so far on Friday night games. Wind Symphony uniforms are complete and students are in possession. Symphonic uniforms are almost ready to go out.

Fundraising:

Raise Right – VP Alan Grimm shared with us that orders came in, with more people purchasing over previous months and will be ready tomorrow, Wednesday 12th October.

Dine 2 Donate – upcoming D2D are Menchie's on Wednesday 12th October, Culver's on Wednesday 26th October and Napoli Per Tutti on Monday 7th November. Volunteers are needed to help 'spin the wheel' during the Culver's event to give away free prizes.

Band Spirit Wear – Mr. Graffeo shared that the shop is closed for business. Ordering went smoothly, all orders are processing and should be available within 2-3 weeks. The profit margin was 20% and the "fall" purchases earned round \$534. The plan is to offer further opportunities during winter and spring also.

Previous Business (Vicki Shadel):

- SD54/Alumni night went very well with good turnouts and we had a lot of junior high kids express that they wished they were coming to Schaumburg next. The numbers due to Covid are small, we do not have a count yet for incoming freshman band members, but we will be losing 45 seniors. Thanks given to everyone who volunteered that night with all the extra steps in place.
- NIU day was a successful and happy experience for everyone involved.
- Music Mosaic was verbalized by more than one parent that it was one of the best concerts we've seen so far this year.

New Business (Vicki Shadel): Upcoming Events...

- Last home game of the season will be a cold one, so please dress accordingly and expect it to possibly run a little late, as the students may wish to spend a little extra time together at the end of the night.
- Holiday Showcase concerts w/raffle will take place on 6th & 7th December. Kim Diercks is running/organizing this event, so you should reach out to her if you wish to volunteer. We are looking for gift basket donations that can be raffled off during these concerts, if anyone has a good relationship with any local businesses and could help us out with donations that would be very much appreciated.

DIRECTOR UPDATES

Mr. Inendino:

- The Variety Show will take place on Thursday 20th and Friday 21st October and tickets will be available for purchase online for a discounted price, or you can pay full price at the door on the night. Several band students are involved, with Jazz Ensemble, the BAJA Jazz Quartet and Drumline featured.
- Spring Valley exchange concert band will take place on Wednesday 9th November, Wind Symphony will be playing alongside the Spring Valley concert band at the Prairie Center and updates will be coming. There will be a rehearsal on 2nd November.
- ILMEA auditions have been submitted and we are waiting for results. There are 2 festivals coming up in November – The Band, Choir and Orchestra is on the 12th and the Jazz is on the 19th. More information will be shared as we receive news.
- There is a concert on Tuesday 25th October that Wind Symphony will be part of.

Mr. Graffeo:

- Jazz lab band (2nd band) and combos will be coming up and the schedule will be shared over the 1st and 2nd week of November.
- Our Facebook page hasn't been getting a lot of attention, so updates will be increased to encourage use and communication.

Google Form: A google form has been created by Band Booster President, Vicki Shadel as a forum to gather all Band Booster ideas.

Our next meeting will take place on Tuesday 15th November.

This concluded our meeting and we adjourned at 7:40pm

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