

MHS Band Boosters Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 6, 2024

Call to Order: 7:03 PM

Present: Serena Moon, President; Yvonne Buisson, Secretary; Wendy McMurray, Treasurer; Heidi Gorsica and Liz Konczal, Hospitality Chairs; Jaimie Patel, Equipment Chair; Erica Garrelts and Kara Nuzzo, Marching Band Uniform Chairs; Marie Vesely, Concert Uniform Chair; Heather Song, Fundraising Chair; Silvia Benassi, Volunteer Coordinator; Andy Sturgeon, Band Director; plus 4 others. Total in attendance: 16.

Past Events:

- **8th grade All Start Concert/Class of 2029 Night**
- **Winter Jazz Concert/Purdue Jazz Festival** – Recognitions received:
 - MHS Jazz Ensemble was recognized with 1st place in Fowler Hall performance venue
 - Jazz Ensemble Trombone Section received a Section recognition
 - Chloe Langford received recognition for Outstanding Soloist of the Day
 - Jazz Combo was recognized as 2nd place in their Jazz Combo room
- **ILMEA festival – good experiences for the MHS attending students**
- **Honors Band Clinic night**

Chair Updates

Treasurer (Wendy McMurray)

- Bank Balances, as of 2/5/25:
 - Escrow: \$13,889.95
 - Boosters: \$26,144.25

Hospitality (Heidi Gorsica, Liz Konczal)

- Melanie Ferrin will be taking over as co-chair starting in 2025-2026 school year
- Heidi Gorsica and Jen Olorvida conclude their time as Hospitality co-chairs – a big thank you to them for ensuring the band students are fed at various event during the last 4 years!

Equipment (Jaimie Patel)

- Nothing to report
- Band Directors to seek their input regarding required storage as MHS plans for additions/changes

Marching Band Uniforms (Kara Nuzzo)

- Asked about the Plume inserts; should have received them, per Band Directors

Concert Band Uniforms (Marie Vesely)

- Nothing to report

Fundraising (Heather Song)

- 2 dine outs since Jan Booster meeting; Luke's yielded \$130.05 which increased to \$150 with an additional contribution from Luke's. Chipotle's dine out raised \$118.91
- Upcoming Events:
 - **Feb 11:** Fannie May orders are due
 - **Mar 18:** Jimano's dineout

Volunteers (Silvia Benassi)

- No updates

Evening of Jazz (Liz Konczal)

- **Feb 10, 6:00 pm:** Initial Meeting to start planning
- Seeking volunteers to help

Points of Interest:

- **Band Boosters Summer Music Scholarships:** No High School applicants submitted so far; Booster members have decided to open this up to incoming MHS Band Students if there is still availability after 1 month from application open.
- **Band Awards Night planning (May 8):** Seeking a non-senior parent(s) to plan
- **Jen Knop to shadow Yvonne Buisson for Booster Secretary**
- **Melanie Ferrin will co-chair Hospitality with Liz next year**
- **Shadows needed for:**
 - Treasurer
 - Fundraising Chair
 - RaiseRight Coordinator
 - Volunteer Coordinator
 - Invitational Coordinator

Upcoming Events

- **Saturday, Feb 8:** Noise Show Choir Competitions
- **Saturday, Feb 8:** Vandercook Percussion Festival
- **Thursday, Feb 13:** Honors Band Concert
- **Saturday-Sunday, Feb 15-16:** Noise Show Choir Competitions
- **Monday-Friday, Feb 24-28:** Placement Auditions for MHS Bands
- **Saturday-Sunday, Mar 1-2:** Noise Show Choir Competitions
- **Monday, Mar 3:** HJE at Jazz Showcase with Bob Lark Jazz Septet
- **Saturday, Mar 8:** Jazz Invitational

Meeting Adjourned: 7:42 pm

Next Meeting: Thursday, Mar 6, 2025