



**From Many, One!**

**SHS Band Boosters:**

Meeting was called to order on Monday December 4<sup>th</sup> by President Vicki Shadel at 7:00pm.

**In attendance:** Current 2023 - 2024 officers in attendance: Vicki Shadel, Vanessa Hensley, Dan Alberth, Vinnie Inendino and Anthony Graffeo.

Band Boosters present were: Donna Alberth, Alan Grimm, Traci Hoos, Michelle Pikscher, Pilar Vences, Nancy Ruiz, Kelly Rizzo, Ivette Vega, Jeana Norbut, Tom Norbut, Jen Eisenmenger, Kim Diercks, Ashlie Daigle, Stu Gallup and Tammy Loch

**President Vicki Shadel's welcome:** Vicki welcomed everyone to tonight's meeting

**Student Band President Leah Robin's report:** Leah reported everything that the students have currently been doing - ILMEA District 7, Ornament Decorating, Potluck for December 22<sup>nd</sup> Pep Game, December 15<sup>th</sup> white elephant/holiday party. Jazz Ensemble performed at Dirty Nellies, Recognition assembly where ILMEA District 7 students were recognized. ILMEA State results came out. Doubleheader pep game December 2. Adopt a family.

**Secretary Carrie McHugh's report:** Carrie was not in attendance. Vicki reported that approved minutes are uploaded to website.

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

**Band Uniformity:** Symphonic uniforms have been given out, as well as all wind symphony. Uniforms need to be tried on and any issues need to be brought to Tammy or Donnas attention as soon as possible. Black socks for concert is a must. Thank you to all that have helped out with uniforms. Donna reported she was at Freshman night and said parents were asking what a band booster was – told information will be coming in the mail. Told to call directors with questions.

**Fundraising:**

**Dine 2 Donate** - Subway Mondays and Domino's pizza on December 14<sup>th</sup>

**Raise Right/GLS Gift cards** - Alan Grimm – Gift cards are due Wednesday, December 6. Website and Facebook have been updated. There will be a page in the program that has information on how to buy gift card. There will be posters posted outside by the raffle. More parents have been signing up for the digital option.

**Previous Business with Vicki Shadel:**

On November 18<sup>th</sup> a group of students performed at ILMEA All-District Jazz. It was an amazing concert. There were 5 band students that were in different jazz groups that were performing. Last Friday we had our first pep band double header. Band boosters get to watch and enjoy the music and basketball during pep band.

**New Business:** The Holiday Showcase concert & raffle: Tomorrow (Tuesday) and Wednesday. Cadet and symphonic perform on Tuesday, Concert and Wind Symphony perform Wednesday. Will start selling tickets at 6pm. Kim will arrive at 5:00 to start setting up the raffle prizes. Kim has headed up the raffle concert the past few years and has done a great job collecting raffle prizes. Kim mentioned there are about 40 raffle prizes each night. Prizes range from professional sporting events, entertainment, food and handmade items. We will be using marching hats to collect tickets. Tickets are \$1 each or \$25 for a wingspan. There will be a few minutes at intermission to purchase more tickets. Tickets will be pulled during the second half of the concert. Directors will read the winners at the end of the concert. We will need volunteers each night to help setup, sell tickets and clean up. Prefer to have people come on nights where their student is performing, but will take anyone (come between 5:00/5:30, or when available). Friday, December 8, Wind Symphony will be going on their winter tour. Will be going to Hoover, Campanelli and Lakeview.

December 13<sup>th</sup> is the Holiday Orchestra concert

December 22<sup>nd</sup> – pep band doubleheader. Theme is ugly sweater and is also alumni night. There will also be a potluck before the game.

Thursday, January 11 – Pep band concert. Will be collecting can food items that will be going to the school food pantry.

**Band Director Updates**

**Mr Inendino** – We've had a great month. We had 5 students selected for ILMEA ALL-STATE. Band: Narin Kim (Clarinet), Leah Robin (horn); Orchestra: Esteban Avila (Bassoon); Jazz: Jacob Mendez (Alto); Future Music Educators Seminar: Andrew Shadel (FMES). There are also 5 other Saxon band students that are very involved in the band program going to ALL-STATE. 10 Saxons going to ALL-STATE, which is a record. They will be going to Peoria at the end of January. Huge accomplishment being chosen out of district 7. Typically 1 or 2 students chosen per instrument depending on the instrument. Asked if we have a truck for the winter tour on Friday (Yes! We do). Pep band doubleheader on Friday is also Alumni night, there was an invite put out on social media. Orchestra winter concert we have students from symphonic and wind symphony playing. We also have the choir concert on Tuesday.

**Mr. Graffeo** – Looking forward to the next two nights of concerts. A lot of hard work being showcased through the raffle and all the performers at each of the concerts.

Our Next meeting is: Tuesday, January 9 at 7:00pm. Meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm  
(It is institute day, students start on Wednesday)

These minutes have been approved by Band Directors Vinnie Inendino and Anthony Graffeo upon submission by Band Booster Vice President, Vanessa Hensley