

From Many, One!

SHS Band Boosters:

Meeting was called to order on Tuesday, April 9th by President Vicki Shadel at 7:00pm

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

Band Boosters present were: Kathy Ashenfelter, Traci Hoos, Donna Alberth, Stu Gallup, Lisa James, Tammy Loch, Jeanna Norbut, Tom Norbut, Michelle Pikscher, Kelly Rizzo, Jen Eisenmenger, Julie Stortenbecker, Alan Grimm

President Vicki Shadel's welcome: Vicki welcomed everyone to tonight's meeting. This is our second to last meeting and then we will have a new board taking over.

Student Band President Leah Robin's report: Leah reported that we had two nights of Band-Aid Concerts where we raised money for St. Baldricks. We went to Florida where we stopped at Vanderbilt University. The band had clinics during the stop. We also went to the Imagination campus clinic and Marched through Magic Kingdom. Some of us are in the Musical, practices have started. Come on out to see the musical in a few weeks

Secretary report: Vicki reported that approved minutes are uploaded to the website.

Treasurer Dan Alberth's report: Dan reported all the incomings and outgoings and our current available funds.

Band Uniformity: Tammy reported that a few hat boxes were broken on the Florida trip. We also gave out a few pairs of black socks on the trip. We will be collecting formal wear after the last concert, so we will need some volunteers to help with this. Any students that are in the orchestra concert will keep their formal wear until after. We are hoping for parents that are not senior parents to help volunteer with this. Once collected, they will be ready to be sent to the cleaners.

Fundraising:

Raise Right/GLS Gift cards - Alan reported that the due date for this will be Wednesday, April 10. Dine 2 Donate - We still have Subways on Monday. No other Dine2Donates this month.

Previous Business with Vicki Shadel:

We had our two Band-Aid concerts and raised money for St. Baldricks. Thank you to the volunteers that helped collect donations before the concert. During the first night of concerts, the concert band did a cool song where they incorporated the audience alongside a student narrator. Maui recorded this if you are

interested in seeing it, it will be on Saxon Band Dads YouTube channel. During each concert students spoke about what St. Baldricks is and some even talked about why St. Baldricks is important to them. A bunch of Band Boosters were able to go on the Florida trip as chaperones. We went to Vanderbilt so the band and choir could have their clinics. The clinics were held in the Athletic Band Hall. We did a lot of pit stops on the way and went straight to Hollywood Studios where we enjoyed a day at the park. Some of our band students joined the choir at Disney Springs where they performed. When they performed Bohemian Rhapsody the audience was singing along and the lights were flashing to the melody. The next day we went to Epcot where the chaperones had some free time while the students enjoyed their time at Disney's Imagination Campus where they got to perform different Disney songs. Magic Kingdom was a magical experience where they marched through the park. They did an amazing job. Last day was at Universal Studios. There were a lot of memories made, thank you for taking time to help.

New Business:

Symphonic and Wind Symphony will be going to the Chicagoland Invitational Concert Band Festival at Hersey High School on April 13. The Symphonic band will perform at 11:45 and Wind Symphony at 1:15. It is \$15 a person. Students will also have a clinic after they perform. Directors will send out information regarding chaperones for CICBF. The musical this year is Cinderella from April 18-20. There are two performances on Saturday, April 20. There are a lot of band students in this year's show. The Band Awards Concert is Monday, April 29. The Seniors will be getting awards during this concert and we will have a reception afterward. Cake and water will be served. We will need volunteers to help cut cake during the concert so that it is ready for after the concert. Formal wear will need to be turned in after the concert, volunteers will be needed. There will be a slideshow at the reception and students will be giving out their fun awards to each other. This is optional and it tends to run long. There will be an Orchestra concert on May 1. Graduation is Monday, May 20, Symphonic and Wind Symphony will be playing at Graduation (all, but seniors). Alan reported that there will be a Zoom meeting tomorrow to introduce the committee and go over how the scholarship works. Vicki will get the big check to the committee in order for it to be ready for the concert. The 24/25 nominating committee is being run by Lisa James, anyone that wants to help on this committee please let her know.

Band Director Updates

Mr. Graffeo – Thanked all the chaperones for coming on the Florida trip. Students had an opportunity to learn and have a lot of fun, they will have lasting memories. At Hersey, students will be able to see local concert bands and prestigious clinicians from an assortment of colleges. Symphonic will have 4 clinicians and Wind Symphony 5. The clinics are about 30 minutes long. We are doing our final prep for the Awards concert. Having non-senior parents help with the reception will allow for senior parents to stay in the gym for the remainder of the concert. Those in the orchestra do not need to turn in their formal wear. Drum major tryouts were announced and clinics/auditions will be starting. Musical is coming up, go to the Schaumburg website to purchase tickets.

Our Next meeting is: Tuesday, May 14 at 7:00pm. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm

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