

**Band Boosters Meeting Minutes  
Monday, March 14, 2022 7:00 p.m.**

**The meeting was held in person in the band room and called to order by Co-Presidents Heather and Jaron DeWit with approximately 21 members present. Directors Kiley Coyne and Ben Harder also present.**

**Agenda- WHS Band Booster Meeting**

**March 14, 2022**

Welcome and Introductions-Andrew student teacher from USD-here through the end of the school year.

Secretary's Report – Liz Fladmark Sheila approve, Brad second. All approved

Treasurer's Report – Aaron Levisay-Nice income from Stensland and Hyvee cards. The Chris's Cakes from IA had to pay taxes. Confirmed with IRS. So we want to revisit the budget feature in quickbooks. Get the information in May/June to use starting in July. Start an email group to who wants to be a part of the planning. Mark motion, Heidi second. All Approve.

Director's Report – Kiley Coyne & Ben Harder- Showcase concert is April 19<sup>th</sup> at Washington not the pavillion. March gets slower. All state band is 2 weeks. Email today leaving Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> at 1- concert is on Saturday. We announced our show. Commitment forms due April 1<sup>st</sup>. Color guard meeting and 20 people showed up. Drumline auditions meetin today. Due April 8<sup>th</sup>. No auditions for color guard. March 22<sup>nd</sup> is the all activities meeting. Fladmarks and Tooleys will run the table. 6-7:30. All State jazz is recorded and in. tentative schedules are avab. Only thing missing are football dates.

Sign up genius for concert on April 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Committee Reports**

Band Trip – Kiley-Met with the charperones. Started making presentation for the traveling parents. Flight information. Kiley will send presentation out to all parents by the end of the week. There are

4 different flights on 3 different airlines. Departure day wearing the white shirt. Orange on return day and the black for a special day. Not sure what the contingency is on delayed flights. No free checked bags. Try to do a carry one. Otherwise the price for checked bag is on the parent. Daily medications in carry on. Not included is oversized instrument cost. Need motion to approve that. Amy motion, Brad second. All favor. Need to test with picture uploaded. Medication form needs to be updated to ensure they can take ibuprofen or tylenol. Print the 3<sup>rd</sup> page and update and send back. Will have an itinerary when it is updated. Send Jan an email if there is any medical concerns. There is an overnight security guard. Chaperones creating group me chats for their kids. Jrs will miss the last day of a test. The dates are set April 4-7. they will need to make them up. Include the photo link in slideshow for trip pictures.

HyVee Cards/Batteries – Dawn Taborda

Scrip Cards – Linda Weidner                      Next scrip order is due: this friday 3/18

Fundraising – Kiley-Stensland deliver Thursday. the next fundraiser is puffins april 4-20. Heather could use help at 3pm sorting pizzas.

Concessions – Carey Deaver & Dawn Taborda-thank you for the help around \$200 profit

Uniforms – Sheri Levisay – tried calling to see if there was an update-no answer

Chaperones – Jan Questad, Ginger Pelley – no updates

Spirit Wear – Betsy Kringen & Linda Weidner- no updates

Pit Crew – Brad Hoff-no updates

Newsletter/Publicity – Amy Benda- no updates

Festival of Bands –Mark and Heidi Tooley-no updates

Student Accounts – Jan Questad-Need to verify one name on the checks.

WHS Booster Club – Sheila Hoff, Aaron Levisay-No updates

### **Old Business**

### **New Business**

Survey Results-Save them for a future meeting since they are not time sensitive.

Bylaw review (even # years) need to review bylaws again. Any interest for the committee?

Nominating Committee-is this the time to discuss committees and volunteering-hand a sheet out at the 3/22 meeting.

### **Upcoming Events**

- **Thursday – Saturday, Mar. 24-26 - All State Band Rehearsal (*select participants*) at SDSU PAC**
- **Saturday, March 26 - All State Band Concert (*select participants*) at Mitchell Fine Arts Center, 4:00 PM**
- **Thursday, April 7 -Monday, April 11 - Band/Choir Rotational Travel to Orlando, FL!**
- **Tuesday, April 19 - Showcase Concert at WHS**
- **Wednesday, April 20 - Large Group Contest at Brandon Valley**
- **Thursday, April 21 - Dessert and Jazz Concert, 7pm - WHS Commons**
- **Thursday - Saturday, May 5 - 7 - All State Jazz, All Day - Mitchell, SD**
- **Saturday, May 7 - All State Jazz Concert, 7pm - Mitchell Fine Arts Center**
- **Monday, May 16 - Spring Band Concert 7:00 PM at WHS**
- **Saturday/Sunday, May 28-29 - Graduation at Sioux Falls Arena (2022-2023 Symphonic Band)**

Not needed on this meeting but save for future meetings:

Band Cards –Seeking Volunteers for next year

Parent Preview –Seeking Volunteers for next year

Indoor Show, Pancake Feed & Raffle –Seeking Volunteers for next year

Warrior Band Legacy Database

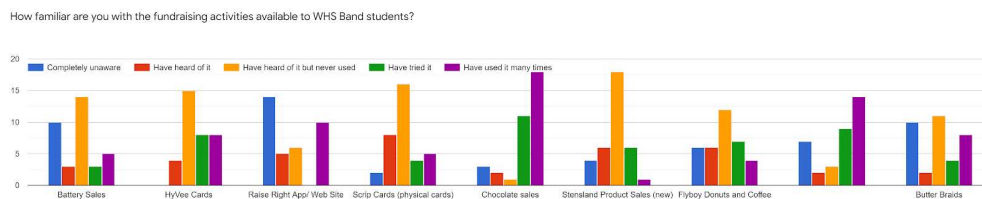
Scholarship Program

Bracelet Sales-Reminder to sell them at concerts

Google Photo Folder: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/jrQNxB6BCThZ9DLb6>

## Survey Results as of 3/2/22

(I did combine some comments and gather “big idea” rather than including all verbatim, in the effort to provide anonymity and make review easier.)



Categories:

Battery Sales

HyVee Cards

Raise Right/ Web

Scrip Cards

Chocolate Sales

Stensland Products

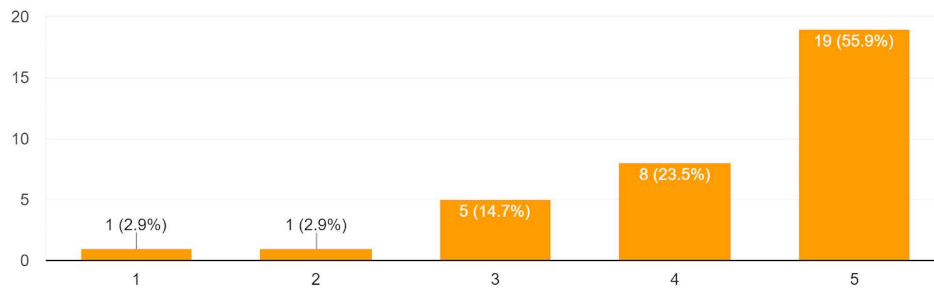
Flyboy Donuts and Coffee

## Band Fundraiser Cards (\$10 cards in the fall)

### Butter Braids

How relevant and/or helpful is the monthly band newsletter for you?

34 responses

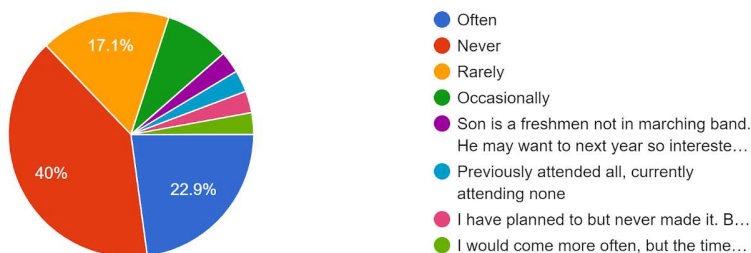


### Additional Feedback Regarding the Monthly Newsletter and/or suggestions regarding modes of communication:

- I read all of the charms emails and utilize the Facebook page for updates.
- Happy to get the newsletter since I am no longer attending booster meetings.
- Please keep the monthly newsletter coming. Sometimes it's the only way that I have information about dates and times for events as well as a reference for links to easily get to the band website quickly. I really appreciate getting the monthly newsletter
- I appreciate the newsletter as it keeps me up to date on concerts and important dates. Still I'm somewhat confused about the overall fundraising goals and requirements. Also we are new to the area and I work from home - not many opportunities at all to fund raise. I would much rather give a donation and have the whole of it go to the band program.
- I like what we get. Remind would be nice

Do you attend the monthly Band Booster meeting on the 2nd Monday of every month at 7pm in the band room?

35 responses



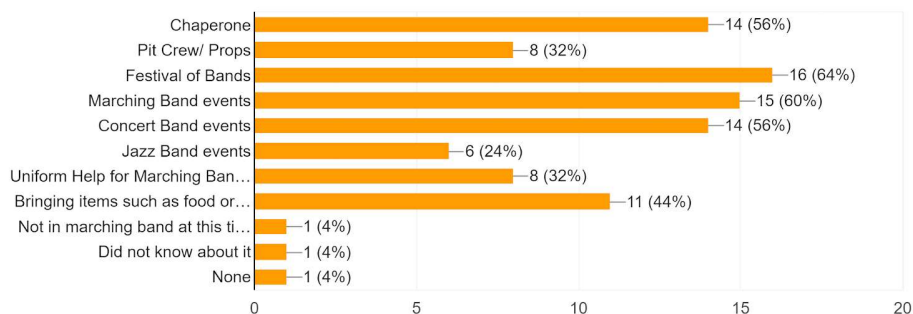
Cut off purple category: Son is a freshmen not in marching band. He may want to next year so interested in attending and understanding fundraising options.

Pink: I have planned to but never made it. BSA Scouts is that night, and it has just so happened that I have needed to be at the meetings on the weeks of the booster meetings.

Green: I would come more often, but the time conflicts with another ongoing commitment I have on Mondays.

What is your volunteer experience with the WHS Band? Check all that apply.

25 responses



Cut off categories:

Uniform Help for Marching Band/ Sewing

Bringing items such as food or paper products for events  
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If you attend meetings and/or volunteer, what are some of the reasons you do so? If you do not attend meetings and/or volunteer, what are some of the obstacles preventing you from doing so? (work schedule, interest, not sure where to start, busy, younger children, other, etc.?) Please share your experience.

- Reasons we volunteer:
  - Have time
  - Enjoy it x2
  - Like helping band kids x3
  - Support my kids x5
  - To be involved/ connected with other parents x6
  - Like being with directors
  - Had a great experience volunteering (specifically FOB)
  - Like being up to date/ informed x2
  - Enjoy watching performances
  - To be helpful and supportive x2
  - Band is important
  - Friends/ the People x2
  - There is a lot that is required of the band boosters. There are many opportunities to get involved - either a little bit or a lot. I want to and enjoy doing my part.
- Maybe use a remind text option to alert to a mtg or newsletter post.
- Reasons we don't volunteer or not as much as we would otherwise:
  - Work schedule x5
  - Don't feel welcome/ Some booster members make the organization feel exclusive

- Don't feel like the work of volunteers is appreciated
- Busy with other school/ younger or older child activities/ supervision x3
- Not sure if my input is wanted in meetings
- Need short term commitments and most opportunities seem to take more time

Do you have any additional feedback?

- I think communication overload is great so newsletter, emails, and posts are important.
- Maybe a welcoming specific letter in early spring outlining band opportunities, involvement, fundraising needing to start for said opportunities. An intro to band, not just marching band.
- I really appreciate our core group of volunteers. I know it is likely a challenge to be as committed as they have all been. I just want them to know that we appreciate what they do for our kids
- Thank you for your support of the bands. It looks like WHS has a good program.
- I would love a training session for newbie parents on how to use the band website, such as Charms, ordering Scrip cards, etc.,(including a special session where the new parents are helped individually with setting up accounts for these and walked through everything step-by-step with an experienced parent).

### **Adjournment**

A motion was made Brad , seconded Heidi , and carried to end the meeting at approximately 8:04 p.m.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Liz Fladmark, Secretary.