



# Olathe East Band BOOSTER MEETING MINUTES

Submitted for approval by: Kim Van Dyke

DATE: Tuesday, February 03, 2020

TIME: 7pm

LOCATION: Olathe East Band Room

## PRE-MEETING ACTIVITIES

No pre-activities. Appx. 25 parents were in attendance.

Get Connected:

- Check the website for the most up to date information. [www.oeband.com](http://www.oeband.com)
- Join the boosters private Facebook group (search for Olathe East Band Boosters- private booster page is different than the public band page).
- Email questions to band leadership at [oebsbandboosters@gmail.com](mailto:oebsbandboosters@gmail.com)
- Follow us on Twitter, Instagram, and Snapchat

## BAND BOOSTER AGENDA TOPICS

Welcome

Meeting Minutes-

- January 2020 Booster Meeting Minutes Approved

## TREASURER'S REPORT

- Budget reviewed/approved.
  - Bingo was successful! TOTAL = \$8255
    - Ticket sales - \$7020
    - Extra Packs - \$30
    - Raffle Tix - \$1205We also brought in an extra \$287.10 in the tip jars!
- Tax deduction letters for Suggested Contributions have been mailed. If you have not received the letter and need one- contact Mitzi Black through Booster email. Suggested Contributions are picking up; however, not at budget yet. To make your contribution, please go to [oeband.com](http://oeband.com) home page and click on the Pay Membership Online and follow directions. If you have financial concerns, speak to Mr. Smikahl.
- OMI final cost/revenue amounts remain outstanding until the end of January.

## NEW BUSINESS-

- Executive Board and Leadership positions question and answer session occurred. Lots of great feedback. Susan Willard (2020-2021 President) is busy trying to fill positions by spring break so the team can begin to get organized and ready. Some great parents are returning but more are needed. Some positions may have been



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filled since the meeting; however, there are still plenty of positions (bigger and smaller) that parents can volunteer for. Mr. Smikalh will be emailing parents with open positions and descriptions of these needs.

- A new position is being added for Donations Chairperson. This position is not responsible for acquiring donations; however, would be responsible for updating the donations spreadsheet. This position is more of a behind the scenes assisting the BBQ and Bingo Chairs.

## MUSIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Smikahl provided the Music Director Report and had the following comments on current topics.

- Pep Band- volunteers need to stay engaged through playoffs and potential state games. All games need to have attendance and if a band student signed up they need to show up or potentially lose a chance for lettering in Band. At a recent game there was a compliment from a referee stating that he would come to the games just for the band and that it was larger than any pep band he had seen.
- Band students are involved in many activities including; preparing for KMEA, Olathe Area Concert and BOA Percussion.
- Directors are continuing to finalize the 2020 Blue & Orange Brigade Marching Show.
- The band calendar has been updated through April 2020. Directors are still finalizing the 2020-2021 Calendar.
- The Send off Concert will be held on February 25th from 6-9 at Olathe NW. More information for this event is posted on the oeband.com calendar.
- Request for parents to always share emails sent with their band kid since important information is included that students should be aware of also even though they have been told in class.
- Mr. Smikahl invited Percussion parents to stay after the meeting to talk more about BOA Indy.

## OLD BUSINESS (Items still outstanding from past meetings)

- Recruitment of new board members, chairs and co-chairs continues.
- Looking ahead: Mr. Smikahl mentioned that in the future (not the next couple of years) that he would like the band program to invest in a semi-trailer so the annual expenses of renting a box truck could be removed. We could buy more trailers to pull but this would increase the need for parent drivers and personal vehicles being used. With the semi-trailer, we would hire a CDL driver to drive to all day competition events or BOA in St. Louis. Besides the semi-trailer costs there would be construction expenses to build out the inside of the trailer and custom painting for the outside of the trailer. The multi-level unit would hold all percussion instruments and band instruments and equipment.

## BOOSTER FUNDRAISING EVENTS

If you have any ideas for fundraisers please contact a Booster member or email [oebsbandboosters@gmail.com](mailto:oebsbandboosters@gmail.com).

Happening now- None

Coming soon- None



# OE BAND BOOSTER MEETING MINUTES

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## CURRENT VOLUNTEER SIGNUP OPPORTUNITIES

- None

Mr. Smikahl will be sending the links in emails and these are also posted on oeband.com.

## UPCOMING EVENTS UNTIL NEXT BOOSTER MEETING

02/08- Regional Solo Piano

02/11- OE Area Festival Concert

02/22- State Solo Piano

02/22- KMEA/BOA Send off Concert

02/27-02/28- KMEA All State Band in Wichita

03/06- KC Jazz Festival

03/11-03/15- BOA National Percussion Festival

## NEXT BAND BOOSTER MEETING

Tuesday, March 10th, 2020 @ 7:00pm in the Band Room.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

## POST-MEETING ACTIVITIES

Percussion Parent meeting for BOA Indy. Topics included:

- A draft of the agenda for the percussion group. Once this is finalized, an email will be sent.
- Location of events: Warren Central High School which is 20 minutes from the downtown hotel.
- Bus will leave Indy on Sunday at 7am. One stop in St. Louis and arriving back at OE by early evening
- Mr. Smikahl will let parents know what events can be attended by parents and which are student only.
- Dress Code will be sent soon. No jeans.
- Remember to complete medical forms.
- Mallet players should already know if mallets need to be purchased. If there are any doubts, students must talk to Mr. Smikahl.

