



Bellbrook Music Boosters
Mar 2, 2026
6:30 pm
HS Band Room
General Membership Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 6:35

Attendance: Please sign in and include your preferred email/phone # (if you have not done this already)

Band Staff:

- Mr. Jacob Page -Director
- Mr. Kyle Buford - Assistant Director
- Mr. JJ Frederico - Percussion Director
- Ms. Megan Guyett - Colorguard Director

'25/26 Boosters Officers::

- Greg Schindler - President
- Jeryle Ball - Treasurer
 - Treasury Committee → Valerie Hiester - Money Depositor, Kristi Magee - Check Writer
- Amy Rodenroth - Vice President
- Melinda Ruff - Secretary

Trustees:

- Kristi Magee - Finance Trustee ('27)
- Alicia Miller - Fundraising Trustee ('27)
- Amy Silance - Membership Trustee ('26)
- Jennifer Powell -Communication Trustee ('27)

General Members: Larissa Scott, Dina Vincent, Jessica Brown, Brian Reed, Lindsey Wolf, Beth and James Christensen, Patty Ball, Hyacinth Schumaker, Robert MacDermott

Approval of the Meeting Minutes: General Meeting Feb 2, 2025 - **Appendix A** - approved by majority vote

Old Business:

- Upcoming Booster position openings for 26/27 season - Nominations are currently being encouraged and accepted.
 - Uniform parents - marching band (2) and concert attire (1) - Larissa Scott and Hyacinth Schumaker volunteered
 - Dayton Dragons fundraiser lead - volunteer: Alicia Miller
 - Officers (1 year term). Election of officers will occur in April (Trustees vote).
 - President - candidate(s): Greg Schindler
 - Vice President - Candidate(s): Larissa Scott
 - Treasurer - Candidate(s): still needed
 - Secretary - Candidate(s): Lindsey Wolf
- Election of Trustees: 2 Trustees voted in tonight
 - Membership - Beth Christensen
 - Sponsorship - Melissa Yatzek
 - **Still need candidates for:**
 - Fundraising
 - Finance
- By-Laws and Policies and Procedures Handbook updates almost complete and will need approval by the general membership. Minor formatting and clarification on the treasury

committee and contractors necessary. This will be accomplished via email communication among the executive committee.

- Booster Insurance vs. School Insurance - Review what Amit has said - no separate policy needed. We are covered under school policy except for misappropriation of funds. Looked into separate policy for that and none will cover. Dropping policy saves about \$1,500.

Reports/Updates:

- Board of Trustees:
 - Sponsorship, Communications and Finance: None
 - Membership and Volunteer Coordinator - There will be a Booster presence at all upcoming concerts to share information on membership
 - Fundraising - Please share with your social networks!
 - March Madness 50/50 will kick off tomorrow. \$20 per person. Sign up by March 18.
 - Flower Sale kicked off today. Will be through at least March 16. You should receive an email from no-reply@fundraisit.org. April 22, pick up starting at 6pm.
 - Music and Meatballs - at Winter Friends and Family Performance Friday March 20. \$10/person for spaghetti, meatballs, salad, drink and dessert
 - Mattress Sale will be April 18 - can raise thousands if we get participation
 - New Dayton Dragons Lead - Alicia Miller, Valerie Hiester will be the on-site lead. There will be section nights and other ways to encourage participation. Must be 16 or older.
- Officers:
 - Pres/VP/Secretary: none
 - Treasurer's Report: see separate report
- Director's Report
 - Music Travel Consultants will be used for the Disney trip (Nov 20-25). There will be an informational meeting soon, likely after spring break. All marching band members, all high school band members and high school color guard will be invited.
 - Recently completed events: MEPA Bellbrook and Bellbrook Concert Band Festival, both went really well with a lot of compliments!
 - Recent accomplishments: WGI Indy - Winterguard finished 9th and qualified for finals, WGI Dayton - IPE finished 6th. Great job everyone!
 - Marching Band informational meeting March 19th at 7pm, will include information on the whole season.
 - There will be a show reveal night April 21 with lots of fun planned!

Upcoming Band Dates:

- Wednesday, March 4 - 6th Grade Band Concert
- Thursday, March 5 - High School Bands Concert
- Friday, March 6 - OMEA Large Group, West Carrollton HS. Symphony Band and Wind Ensemble both participate.

- Saturday March 7 - Mason Concert Band Festival. Wind Ensemble only.
- Monday, March 9 - Middle School Bands Concert
- Thursday, March 19 - Marching Band Meeting
- Friday, March 20 - Music and Meatballs
- Saturday, April 18 - Mattress Fundraiser
- Saturday, April 25 - Sugar Maple Parade
- April 29-May 2 - Spring Musical
- Monday, May 4 - 7th/8th Grade Concert
- Tuesday, May 5 - High School Concert
- Saturday, May 9 - Kings Island Day for 7th/8th Grade band/choir students
- Wednesday, May 13 - 6th Grade Concert
- Saturday, May 16 - Graduation, all HS band members participate

Additional Choir Dates:

- Wednesday, March 4 at 7:45pm - 6th grade choir Mid-Seasons Concert
- Wednesday, March 11 at 7pm - 7-12 choirs Mid-Seasons Concert
- Wednesday, May 6 at 7pm - 7-12 choirs Spring Concert
- Monday, May 11 at 7pm - 6th grade choir Spring Concert

New Business:

- Budget for MB2026 needs to be started - Mr. Page has started his budget planning
- Open Forum:
 - Lindsey Wolf presented information from Dayton Dragons about the band playing the National Anthem and opportunity to earn funds for ticket sales. Must sell at least 30. More info possibly to come.
 - Stay Golden may produce band jackets to sell in the future, as well as possibly some other band merchandise. They are willing to have an online store and maybe some fundraising potential.
 - Will need to move May meeting due to concert conflict.
- Next Meeting: April 6

Adjourn: 7:18pm

Appendix A: Minutes from Feb 2, 2025 General Meeting

Call to Order: 6:37

Attendance:

Band Staff

- Mr. Kyle Buflod - Assistant Director

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- Eli Alban - Sponsorship Trustee ('26)

General Members: Hyacinth Schumaker, Mary Panstingel, Brian Reed, Beth Christensen, Larissa Scott, Lindsey Wolf, Brett Woeste, Dina Vincent, Patty Ball

Approval of Minutes: General Meeting Jan 5, 2025 - Appendix A - Approved by consensus

Old Business:

- Upcoming Booster position openings for 26/27 season - Position descriptions have been created and information was made available at Chamber music. Nominations are currently being encouraged and accepted. By-Laws state nominations for officers and trustees should be occurring Jan-Mar with election of trustees in March and election of officers in April.
- Discussion surrounding how to message differently, how to reach more parents. Discussed presenting at Middle School concerts, sending fliers home with kids, adding link to position descriptions in a Parent Square message, posting on all parent pages on social media.
 - Uniform parents - marching band (2) and concert attire (1)
 - Dayton Dragons fundraiser lead
 - Officers hold 1 year terms. Can accept nominations for all positions. President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. **Greg Schindler has been nominated to continue as president and accepted nomination, Lindsey Wolf nominated for secretary and accepted nomination.**
 - Trustees: Finance, Membership, Sponsorship, Fundraising. **Beth Christensen nominated for Membership Trustee and accepted nomination**
- Chamber music update - Only 3 parents provided contact info, a few others showed interest. \$100 in donations raised from the event for refreshments. Not a great use of time. All 3 parents were contacted and personally invited to Booster meeting.
- Winter Invitational Updates - Feb 7. Performances roughly 2pm-8pm. 36 groups are signed up including our groups. Everything is on schedule and Brett and Amy S have it all under control. Still lots of open spots for volunteers available.
- WG2026 and IPE2026 contracts - should be updated with background check requirements going forward. Compliance confirmation responsibilities will be with the directors. Still need some contracts and W-9s. Payment is being withheld for incomplete contracts. Concern was raised about missing background checks. Those individuals are not supposed to be left unsupervised with the students.

- By-Laws review is ongoing. Plan for approval by general membership in Mar. Will be sure that tech contracts/compliance responsibilities are well explained.
- Booster Insurance vs. School Insurance. Amit from the district states that the Boosters do not need their own policy and they are covered by the school policy. If we don't have to carry insurance, it saves \$1,500 annually. Questions were raised about appropriate coverage.

Reports/Updates:

- Board of Trustees:
 - Sponsorship - we have about 10 sponsors
 - Membership and Volunteer Coordinator- none
 - Communications- would like to have concert band schedule added to Music Google calendar and be sure that all parents have access to this.
 - Finance/Audit
 - January audit completed 13Jan26 - found that one contract was not fully signed (missing the signature page). Going forward, the treasurer and check writer will double check that all pages are received.
 - Raise Right is fully concluded and all cards have been sold and all money has been transferred to the regular account.
 - Fundraiser
 - Fundraising meeting was held Jan 21. Alicia will no longer serve as trustee after March and we are looking for nominations. She will share all fundraising information with Mr. Page in an electronic format.
 - Music and Meatballs - at Winter Friends and Family Performance Friday March 20. JJ and Megan will be planning the family performance. Will feed students at 5 and paying adults after. Will need volunteers.
 - Feb 20 - will have a small concession stand for concert band festival that starts at 4:30. Set up will be earlier. Volunteers needed.
 - March Madness 50/50 brackets will happen again
 - Mattress Sale will be April 18
- Officer report:
 - /VP/Secretary - none
 - Treasurer's Report - see separate report
- Director's Report
 - Upcoming band informational meeting for 8th graders on Feb 12 at 6:30 after curriculum night at HS
 - Concert Band Festival - 16 bands are coming, this is many more than previously
 - Middle School Pep Band has been started with 7th and 8th graders. Huge success! 8th graders will also play with HS pep band Friday Feb 6th.
 - There will be new Marching Band designers for fall, from Blue Devils.
 - OMEA large group will include both Symphony and Wind Ensemble. Can qualify for state contest depending on scores.
 - Mr. Buflod will be taking over Disney trip planning. Will be using Music Travel Consultants to plan trip. Formal dates and information will be coming soon once there is confirmation from the firm. Trip expected to be the weekend before Thanksgiving and return before the holiday.

- Away band camp will likely occur this fall. Mr. Frederico will head this up. Looking at Wright State or Miami or other places. It will be an immersive experience and it improves retention of students. Consideration for asking for donation from Bellbrook Lions to subsidize cost. This will likely be one of the last weeks of July.
- There may be consideration for going to Columbus Regional instead of Super Regional due to schedule and Disney trip

Dates:

Upcoming Band Dates:

- Saturday, February 7 - Winter Invitational
- Friday, February 20 - Bellbrook Concert Band Festival. Symphony Band will perform first, Wind Ensemble will perform last. Approx 4:30-10:30P
- Wednesday, March 4 - 6th Grade Band Concert
- Thursday, March 5 - High School Bands Concert
- Fri/Sat March 6/7 - OMEA Large Group, Location TBD. Symphony Band and Wind Ensemble both participate.
- Saturday March 7 - Mason Concert Band Festival. Time TBD (can be as early as 8A). Wind Ensemble only.
- Monday, March 9 - Middle School Bands Concert

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New Business:

- Discuss creating a manual or “how to/contacts” for each event that we work so we are not dependent on current members in the future. People agreed that is good idea.
- Snap Raise - fundraising opportunity per Mr. Buford. Like a virtual Tag Day. 80/20 split on proceeds with the company. Students provide email addresses and the company sends emails asking for donations. Kids would earn small prizes. Maybe do this in spring?
- Open Forum:
- Next Meeting: Mar 2

Adjourn: 7:50