

Otsego Band Boosters

Meeting Minutes

9 December 2024 / 7:00 PM / OHS Band Room

Attendees: Mitch Piersma/Director, Jessica Grove/Director, Tami Stout/Co-President, Kelley Dendel/Co-President, Tracy Marks/Vice President, Jena Jacobs/Treasurer, Jessica Wilson/Secretary

Absent: None (Mitch, Jess Grove, Jena, and Tami started at BOE meeting)

Agenda:

1. Approved November 11, 2024 Meeting Minutes
2. Next Meeting: January 14, 2025
3. Fundraiser Updates
 - Ongoing
 - RaiseRight
 - Amazon Wish List - <https://a.co/8Ee8U12>
 - Other ideas
 - Klassic Arcade Fundraiser - Need to choose a date (?Jan/Feb)
 - Allegan Event Center
 1. Need at least 20 participants (recommend 80-100)
 2. Options are Mon-Thurs, 3 hour block
 - Culvers
 1. Would need student help to run food, tidy dining room, greet at door
 2. Sliding scale donation (5%, 10%, or 15% depending on sales)
 3. Options are Mon or Tues, 5-8 pm
 - Pizza Hut - 15% donation of sales
 - Kelley looking into other grants (started one for Consumers Energy)
 - Flower and ornament sales at Holiday Concert

4. Bank Balances

Honor Credit Union (Updated 12/08/2024)

Savings:	\$	5.00
Checking:	\$20,175.37	
Marching:	\$20,006.24	
Tengam Band	\$10,088.26	
Tengam Choir	\$	68.85
Trip	\$70,130.16	

Total: \$120,473.88

5. Upcoming Purchases

- E flat contra alto clarinet, \$2150, arrived
- Saxophone concerto, \$1000, paid

6. Upcoming Events

- Jan 18, 2025 (Sat), MCGC Winterguard Field Day - Hosted by Otsego (will be a fundraiser for us, will need volunteers)
- Feb 1 (Sat), MSBOA District Solo & Ensemble Festival ALL DAY
- Feb 16 (Sun), Pre-Festival "Sunday Spectacular" Concert
- Feb 25,26,27,28 (Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri), MSBOA District 10 Band Festival, time and location TBA ***Keep all days OPEN***
- March 2 (Sun), Mattress fundraiser
- March 15 (Sat), MSBOA State Solo & Ensemble Festival ALL DAY
- April 17 (Thurs), State Festival Night Rehearsal 7:30 pm-9:00 pm
- April 23 & 24 (Wed and Thurs), MSBOA State Band Festival - Hosting @ Otsego HS!! Time TBA, Leave both days OPEN
- May 1 (Thurs), Collage Concert 38 7:00 pm
- May 6 (Tues), Band Awards Night (required for ALL) 7:00 pm
- May 10 (Sat), 2nd Annual Band Boosters Crafting Day
- May 16 (Fri), Jazz in the Park (TOP Pavilion) Jazz Band only 7 pm

7. Old Business

- MCGC Field Day - Hosted at OHS (Jan 18, 2025)
 - Next meeting is 12/17 @6:30pm
 - Sign-up will go out on 12/18 for volunteers
 - Assigned chairpersons
 1. Site host- Kelley Dendel, Mitch Piersma, Tami Stout
 2. Spectator entrance/warm up-
 3. Unit check-in/hosting- Tracy Marks & Susan Thomas
 4. Prop entrance/storage & bus/trailer parking- Jeff Scott
 5. Concessions- Stephanie Wrisley
 6. Judges lounge- Jena Jacobs
 - Consider getting other fundraisers (food, programs, etc)
- Florida trip
 - April 6-11, 2026
 - Mitch presented to BOE tonight, they will vote in Jan
 - Plan to have parent meeting after Superintendent approval
 - Goal to contribute \$100,000 towards student costs
 - Hope to start payment plan for parents in Feb
- Proposal for role of "Past President" and new role of "Middle School Liaison"

8. New Business

- Tim Lieber of Lieber Media presented
 - He specializes in recording music performances
 - His rate is \$750 per show
 - His vision is to obtain a local business sponsorship of \$1000 (he will get \$750, and the rest is donated to the band)
 - February is a realistic goal for first recording
 - Can distribute recordings on Google Classroom

Reminder: When making purchases, please take a picture of the receipt and email it to treasurer@otsegobands.com so Jena can reconcile with the account as the charges come through.