

Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2026 / 7:00 PM / OHS Band Room

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

Absent: None

Agenda:

1. Approved December 16, 2025 Meeting Minutes

2. Next Meeting: Wednesday, Feb 18, 2026, 7:00 pm

3. Fundraiser Updates

➤ Recent

- Culvers- Jan 13th (Our amount raised is based the sales for the evening: <\$2500=5%, \$2501-\$5500=10%, >\$5501=15%)
 - The event last night was a great success. Our volunteers worked as a team, and we have been invited back in 6 months if we'd like to do a Share-Night again.
 - We raised over \$1000 in sales and cash donations

➤ Upcoming

- Allegan Event Center- Thurs, Feb 5th, 4-9pm (there is no school on Friday). When 20+ sign up, we receive 20% from the entire admission paid that night.
- Mattress sale- March 1 (need to confirm room is approved)
- Cookie sale- March/April
- Crafting Day- May 2, OHS cafeteria
 - Need to make SignUpGenius for food donations, volunteers (to help set-up/take down), and band students (to help bring participant's items from the parking lot to the cafeteria)

➤ Other

- Growlers baseball "Friday Night Lights- A Local Band Showcase"
 - Students play pre-game, during game, and post-game before the fireworks. Band admission is free, we would receive \$5 for each ticket sold with our unique promo code (e.g. Bulldogs). Date is May 29th.
 - We will pass on this since it is a busy time of year
- Klassic Arcade - This is an evening allowing us to play video games and make a % of the sales for the band. We participated in this last year with success. We receive 50% on all sales of food, drinks and admission. Last year we made \$295.
 - Consider during summer break 2026 (maybe a week before band camp to meet/welcome the freshmen)
- RaiseRight
- Amazon Wish List - <https://a.co/8Ee8U12>

4. Bank Balances

Honor Credit Union (Updated 1/14/2026)

Savings:	\$	5.00
Checking:	\$22,096.51	
Marching:	\$25,059.18	
Tengam Band	\$10,089.41	
Tengam Choir	\$	68.85
<u>Trip</u>	<u>\$31,700.65</u>	
Total:	\$89,019.60	

PayPal Balance: \$8020.12

TOTAL for all accounts (Bank and PayPal): **\$97,039.72**

\$12,000 was moved to Trip account

5. Upcoming/Recent Purchases

- Girls uniform necklaces, garment bags, annual Quickbooks fee, Djembe drum

6. Upcoming Events

- Jan 31, MSBOA District Solo & Ensemble
- Feb 5, Allegan Event Center Fundraiser
- Feb 15, Pre-Festival Winter Concert- Sunday Spectacular
 - MS (6th, 7th, 8th) at 3pm (6th grade tshirts)
 - HS (concert and symphonic) at 6pm
- Feb 24 & 27, MSBOA District Band Festival
 - Tues, Feb 24, East Grand Rapids HS, Concert-9:55am, Symphonic-12:40pm
 - Fri, Feb 27, Allegan, 7th-10:45am, 8th-2:25pm
- Mar 1, Mattress sale
- Mar 21, MSBOA State Solo & Ensemble
- Apr 4, 4-7 pm, Florida trip rehearsal/load equipment
- Apr 6-11, Band Florida trip
- Apr 21, Side-by-Side Concert with WMU Symphonic Band!
- Apr 22-23, MSBOA State Band Festival (at OHS)
- Apr 27 & 29, Collage Concert rehearsal
- Apr 30, Collage Concert #39
- May 2, Annual Crafting Day fundraiser
- May 5, Band Awards Night
- May 13, 8th grade concert
- May 15, Jazz in the Park (at Top Pavilion)
- May 19, Swing Out performance
- May 20, Graduation performance
- May 21, 6th and 7th grade concert
- May 25, Memorial Day Parade

7. Old Business

- Florida trip updates
 - Drivers (Matt Begeman and Terry Thomas) will need Class C CDL, Tami to confirm they are all set
 - Tami scheduled to meet with Superintendent regarding insurance
 - Need to plan parent meeting with Bennett Travel, Mr. Piersma will connect with them to schedule a date

- Need to order t-shirts for theme park days (all students and chaperones will match and be easily identifiable)
- OBI programs update- they have arrived at the school, plan to hand out at Feb concert
- Jazz Band concert in cafeteria, evening of Feb 4th
 - Band Boosters to provide refreshments

8. New Business

- Pizza party for Band-a-Thon basket winner (Lions One Pride basket) planned for Jan 16th, during band class

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