

Plainfield Blue House Band Boosters Meeting Notes from January 12, 2021

(These are not official meeting minutes.)

Plainfield South High School Band

- January 15th is the deadline for turning in any missing assignments dating back to 11/16/2020.
- If you have not been receiving emails from Mr. Cook, please let him know ASAP.
- Band PPE has been received.

Jazz Band is up and running as 3 small combos.

Nominations will be made soon by the directors for the **SPC Honor Band**. More information will be forthcoming for those students selected to participate.

The **Marching Band Invitational** is scheduled for **September 18, 2021**. The medical, publicity and awards coordinator positions are still open. Please contact Brian Mohr at PSHSBandInvitational@gmail.com if you know anyone willing to help.

THANK YOU Mr. Cook and Ms. Wojdula for hosting the virtual band banquet recently, for band students from the 2019-2020 school year. The students who attended greatly enjoyed this event!

Aux Sable Middle School Bands

Band PPE has been received.

Positive feedback was received on the virtual performance held in December. The technology worked well, and the students enjoyed performing. Parents enjoyed being able to hear music being played. A virtual recital is taking place on Thursday, January 14th. Contact Mrs. Bedore if you would like a link to view the recital.

Drauden Point Middle School Bands

Band PPE has been received.

Congratulations to our high school band tutors

Five of our high school band students have received training to tutor middle school band students. If you are a middle school student looking for additional help with playing your instrument, please contact your director for a link to a form that needs to be completed to request tutoring. The following high school students are ready to assist:

- Joe Carter, french horn
- Verzaria Edwards, trumpet
- Graham Miller, trombone/euphonium
- Rylee Soldat, saxophone
- Noah Zabelka, clarinet

We are very proud to have you help the younger band students!

Financials

If you indicated you wanted to join the boosters, or wanted to take advantage of the fundraiser buyout, or if you wanted to purchase miscellaneous items such as ear plugs or extra t-shirts, those fees have been assessed to your student's account in Charms. ***Please pay any outstanding band fees on Charms.***

Currently we have collected approximately \$11,500 this year and spent about \$9,400.

THANK YOU to Plainfield School District 202 for contributing \$5,000 for the proceeds lost since we were unable to host the craft fair this year, and for contributing \$1,850 toward our new storage container.

We are looking for fundraising ideas!

If you have ideas for activities that can be done virtually or remotely to help us raise funds, please share them! Our contact information is below.

Franco's Dinner Night Fundraiser

The Franco's Dinner Night Fundraiser was a success – raising \$450 for our bands. Thank you to all who participated!

Amazon Smile Account

Did you know that our organization has an Amazon Smile account? When you shop at Amazon.com at any time during the year, the Plainfield Blue House Band Boosters will receive a portion of the price of your purchase. *This costs nothing extra to you!* You will need to start at [Amazon.com/smile](https://www.amazon.com/smile) and search for “**Plainfield South High School Band Boosters**”. This account benefits Aux Sable, Drauden Point, and Plainfield South band students.

Would you like to join the Band Boosters?

We are always looking for new members! A family booster membership starts at \$15/year, and you can join at different levels. [This link](#) will take you to the Google form to start your membership. Families of high school students can pay for their membership through Charms. Families of middle school students can send a check to Mrs. Bedore or Mrs. McCammon's attention at their school. If you have both high school and middle school band students in the same family, please pay through Charms. We hope you consider joining!

Our Next Meeting

The next general membership meeting of the Plainfield Blue House Band Boosters will be held on Tuesday, February 9th at 7:30pm, on Zoom. Please watch your email closer to this date for a link to the meeting. We hope you will join us on Zoom. When logging in, please include your full name, so we can “meet” you.

Volunteers

Welcome to our two newest volunteers, Jamie Bowman and Kelly Pride, who have agreed to Co-Chair the Booster Shop Committee. We are looking forward to having a shop open in the Spring.

We are still looking for a volunteer or two to head, or Co-Chair, the Hospitality Committee. Since we are not currently able to host in-person events, this would be an easy way to start getting involved. If you are willing to help, please let us know; our contact information is below. We would be happy to have your assistance!

We are also looking for volunteers to head or Co-Chair the following committees for the Fall 2021 Marching Band Invitational:

- Medical
- Publicity
- Awards

Please contact Brian Mohr at PSHSBandInvitational@gmail.com if you are able to help with any of these committees. We would need to hire someone to coordinate the medical committee if we do not receive a volunteer, so any help especially for this position, is greatly appreciated.

Follow your band

PSHS Band has 2 facebook pages. Search for (the official page) **Plainfield South Band** and (the unofficial page) **Friends of PSHS Band**. Music memes and videos are encouraged!

There is also a PSHS Band Alumni facebook page. Search for **PSHS Band Alumni**.

You can follow us on Twitter: **@PSHSBands**

Mrs. Bedore's Aux Sable Band Blog can be found [here: https://asband.wordpress.com/](https://asband.wordpress.com/)

The PSHS Band website is <https://plainfieldsouthband.com/>

Contact Us

If you have a question, an idea to share, or wish to volunteer, please feel free to contact any of our Executive Board Members. E-mail is the best way to reach us:

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