

Plainfield Blue House Band Boosters Meeting Notes from February 9, 2021

(These are not official meeting minutes.)

Plainfield South High School Band

- Students in Concert Band or Wind Ensemble with questions or late work should submit these to Mr. Cook
- Students in Symphonic Band with questions should submit them to Ms. Wojdula, and should complete the late work form in Google Classroom.

Welcome back to our students who chose the in-person learning option!

- Students in Periods 1, 3, 5 and 7 should use the yellow chairs in the band room.
- Students in Periods 2, 4 and 6 should use the blue chairs in the band room.
- Chairs and music stands are sanitized between all classes.
- Please remember to use hand sanitizer before entering and leaving the band room.

Any students who have not picked up your “bag of stuff” should email the band directors to make arrangements to do so ASAP.

There will be no pit orchestra for the musical this year.

The **Marching Band Invitational** is scheduled for **September 18, 2021**. The Publicity Coordinator and the Awards Coordinator positions are still open. We are also looking for someone with medical training to Co-Chair the Medical Coordinator position. Please contact Brian Mohr at PSHSBandInvitational@gmail.com if you are willing to help.

Aux Sable & Drauden Point Middle School Bands

Students are being taught remotely in Zoom and in the classroom at the same time. Please extend grace to your directors, as this is a difficult task.

Aux Sable Middle School Bands – Students Attending In-Person

- Students in odd-numbered band periods should sit in the black chairs.
- Students in even-numbered band periods should sit in the green chairs.
- Please remember to use hand sanitizer before entering and leaving the band room.
- Masks and bell covers must be used in order to play your instrument.
- Brass players must bring their own spit rag.

Drauden Point Middle School Bands

Drauden Point band students are taking the same safety precautions as Aux Sable students.

Jazz Band is still happening on Zoom.

February 25th is the **virtual solo recital**.

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.***

- We have raised approximately \$12,000 this year and spent about \$12,500.
- We have spent over \$2,400 in PPE for all 3 schools.

Fundraising

- The Franco's Dinner Night Fundraiser was a success – raising \$450 for our bands. Thank you to all who participated!
- ***Save the date for our Five Below Fundraiser! March 27th through April 3rd***, the Five Below location on Plainfield Road in Joliet will donate 10% of your purchase total to the Plainfield Blue House Band Boosters. Please see our facebook pages for a copy of the flier needed to participate. The flier will also be emailed through Charms closer to the event date.
- Please remember to use our Amazon Smile account. 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, and costs nothing extra to you. Our organization receives payments from this account quarterly.

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!

Membership Perks will be distributed soon!

If you are a current booster member, and your student has returned for in-person learning, your membership perk(s) will be sent home with your student soon. If your student is still learning remotely, and is a high school student who has not yet picked up their “bag of stuff”, the perk(s) will be in the bag. If you would like to make arrangements to pick up your perk(s), please contact the band directors. Any remaining perks will be mailed home. The listing of perks can be found in the Online Store in Charms.

Would you like to serve on the Band Boosters Executive Board?

A Nomination Committee has been established. Thank you to Sarah Scott, Jennifer Clarke and Adrea Tuck, who have volunteered to serve on this committee. Please contact any of these 3, or any of the board officers, if you wish to run for a position on the board. Our contact information is below, and the election will be held at our meeting in April.

Our Next Meeting

Meetings are typically held on the second Tuesday of the month, September through November, and January through May. ***The next general membership meeting of the Plainfield Blue House Band Boosters will be held on Tuesday, March 9th at 7:30pm, on Zoom.*** (Note that the Charms calendar lists the meeting date as March 2nd, with a concert on March 9th. The March 9th concert will not be taking place, so we have moved the meeting to March 9th.) 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.

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:

- President, Sherry Burns: sburns777@sbcglobal.net
- Vice-President, Marsha Orwig: morwig@QandF.com
- Treasurer, Rob Grooms: robgrooms1@gmail.com
- Secretary, Joann Badali: jsbadali@hotmail.com

If you wish to run for a position on the Executive Board, you may also contact the following members of the Nomination Committee:

- Sarah Scott: sarahascott@sbcglobal.net
- Jennifer Clarke: jen4clarke@att.net
- Adrea Tuck: adreat1@gmail.com

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