

Plainfield Blue House Band Boosters Meeting Notes from October 19, 2021

(These are not official meeting minutes.)

Plainfield South High School Band

- Instrument check-out forms are being distributed to students who play school-owned instruments. These need to be signed by parents and returned ASAP.
- Smart Music and music theory assignments are given each week. Each assignment should only take 5-10 minutes/week.
- Concert season uniform pieces that were ordered through the band will be here by the end of the week and will be sent home with the students.
- There is a meeting for the Disney trip tomorrow at 6:30pm; you can attend in person or via Zoom.
- Wind Ensemble rehearsals are starting next week, and are held from 5-7pm on Monday nights.
- Jazz band auditions are next week, for anyone interested.
- Friday, 10/29 is the annual talent show starting at 6:30pm in the auditorium.

Aux Sable Middle School Band

- The homecoming parade went very well. The students enjoyed it and sounded great!
- Keep an eye out for booster membership perks coming home with your student soon.

Drauden Point Middle School Band

- Mrs. McCammon believes that the students who participated in the homecoming parade were one of the best marching groups that she remembers. The students looked and sounded good; they were enthusiastic, and well-behaved.
- Students are heading into the 3rd week of jazz band.
- Recital ensemble music has been sent out to 7th & 8th graders. Students should have plenty of time to practice, even with all of their days off.
- Keep an eye out for booster membership perks coming home with your student soon.

Appreciation

- Thank you to everyone who has helped in any way throughout marching season. We wouldn't have been successful without your support!
- Mr. Ferguson thanks everyone who has made him feel welcome.
- Thank you to everyone who took home a sign to advertise our mattress sale fundraiser. Please continue to spread the word!
- Thank you to the 200 band families and community members who filled our volunteer positions for the Marching Band Invitational. We couldn't have done it without you!

Congratulations

- Congrats to the PSHS Marching Cougars for taking **2nd place** out of 8 bands at the North Central competition, and **3rd place** out of 8 bands at the Naperville Central competition.
- Kudos to **Sam Fortuna** and **Noah Zabelka** for earning **Best Drum Majors** in our class at the Naperville Central competition.

Upcoming Concerts

- PSHS: Concert is **Thursday, November 11th** starting at 6:30pm in the auditorium. TCBY will be sold after the concert.
- ASMS: Concert is **Saturday, November 20th**. Details will be sent home soon.
- DPMS: Concert is **Wednesday, December 1st**. More details to come.

Volunteers

- **THANK YOU to all of our volunteers!** Please check Charms for future volunteer opportunities.
- We are looking for at least 4 more adult volunteers for the annual **Craft Show**, which will take place October 30th and 31st this year. The Craft Show benefits all 4 Plainfield High School Band Programs, but only schools who have enough volunteers sign up will share in the profits. Please sign up in Charms! Students can sign up on the sheet in the band room to volunteer at the Craft Show.
- Donations of individually wrapped baked goods are also needed for the Craft Show. Please note any allergens on the item, and package items to sell at \$1/item. Items can be dropped off on Friday night or Saturday to the PHS-CC cafeteria.
- Anyone who would like to help unpin and disassemble marching season uniforms this Friday from 8-2:30 is welcome. Please enter through the main doors and come to the band room.

Financials

There are currently \$760 in unpaid student band fees. **Please pay your fees in Charms.**

Fundraising

- THANK YOU to all who participated in our Red Robin fundraiser. We earned \$312!
- The cookie dough fundraiser ends tonight. Pickup will be in the Aux Sable cafeteria. The date is yet to be determined, but will be in November, prior to Thanksgiving.
- Our next fundraiser is at Robex, a new smoothie place owned by a former band parent, on 10/26. They will donate 20% of sales for the entire day, if you mention the band.

- The craft show is 10/30 & 10/31; all 4 high school bands will share the profits.
- Our mattress sale fundraiser will be held on Sunday, November 7th from 10am-5pm in the fieldhouse. Please share the information on your social media pages.
 - Does your cell phone number end in 1543? If so, you are the winner of the pillow from the mattress company. Please contact Mr. Cook or Jill Johnson to claim your prize!
- TCBY will be sold as a fundraiser after the November 11th concert at PSHS.
- Flyers will be coming soon for the poinsettia sale. This will be a pre-order only event. The poinsettias are used as decorations at the Collage Concert on 12/8 and are taken home after the concert.

Spirit Wear

Another booster shop will be opening by 11/1 with orders fulfilled prior to the holidays. Watch for the ugly sweater sweatshirt design, which would be perfect to wear to the Ugly Sweater Skating Party in December. Thank you for your support! We have already met about 50% of our spirit wear fundraising goal.

If you have any ideas or suggestions for future booster shop items, please contact Jenn Presbitero.

PSHS Marching Band Invitational

The Marching Band Invitational was a huge success. We raised over \$8,500 and counting! All 200 of our volunteer positions were filled. THANK YOU!

PSHS Band Alumni

The next alumni event is the holiday get-together. This typically happens during the week in between Christmas and New Year's. The date is still to be determined.

Our Next Meeting

Our next meeting is **November 9, 2021, at 7:30pm**. We will meet in-person in the band room, and will also offer an option to join via Zoom. Please watch your email closer to this date for the Zoom link.

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, pictures, and videos are encouraged!

We are working on reviving the Twitter page. Stay tuned for details.

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

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

The 2021-2022 Band Boosters Executive Board Contact Info

You may contact us with any questions, concerns or ideas. Please remember, we are parents just like you, and are volunteering our time to help make the band programs a success. Clicking on our names should open up a blank email message. We will reply as soon as we are able.

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