



Sherando High School Band Booster Association

January 7, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes

Call to order: 6:03 p.m.

Attendance:

x	President	Adam Stein	x	Band Director	Tyler Ende
x	Vice President	Phil Benson	X -	Guard Instructors	Mattea Krejci & Anneka Nestvogel
x	Secretary	Stephanie Mangino	x	Perc Instructor	Scott Kittrell
x	Treasurer	Sam Kilkus	x	Band Assistant	Devon Stein
x	Logistics Coordinator	Justin San Agustin		Bookkeeper	Sandy Smith
x	Volunteer Coordinator	Anne Thompson			
x	Communications	Lora Jarrell			
	Advancement	Vacant			
x	Uniforms	Jennifer Boycourt			
x	Member-at-Large	Shannon Damron			

1. Welcome! - Adam Stein

Sherando Principal Karen McCoy is attending the meeting on the phone and Vice Principal Darius Fenton is present in person.

2. Treasurer Updates - Sam Kilkus

- Don't be concerned about the P/L statement for the month, it's just low due to payouts for fall staff, etc.
- Adam - The band also received a \$321 donation from Newtown Print & Mail from its December fundraiser.

3. Old Business - Adam Stein

- Follow up on thank-you recognition for the Learning Center students/staff?
 - Adam - We can reach out to our supplier for band T-shirts - for 6 new shirts for the learning center kids.
 - Jen Boycourt talked to the head of special education and she said the kids would like the shirts.
- Old golf cart - Justin Smith said he would take it.

4. New Business - Adam Stein

- Advancement Committee Meeting - Jan 14 @ 7PM
 - The meeting will be about refocusing efforts on year-long sponsorships, discussing what has worked in the past, increasing donation retention, and consistent communication with band staff with needs/wants. Encourages everyone here to be at the meeting.
 - Jen said she can't be there, but has an idea from another parent - Perhaps do a transform the indoor community night into a fundraiser that includes other local bands – almost like an indoor version of the annual Winchester-Frederick County marching preview, but with a fundraising component. She said Noelle Callas said she'd run it. Mattea K. said she thinks it's a great idea, especially in building connections with other groups.
- **Band Transportation/Trip Cost Discussion**
 - McCoy said she had been approached by the band about the idea of going to the Bands of America Mid-Atlantic Regional competition in Delaware instead of Liberty University for state championships. Right now at about \$25,000 spent for the year for band transportation alone. She thinks by the end of the school year, it will be at \$35,000-\$36,000 for band travel. She notes she often approaches school division officials about more funding for Sherando's band for travel, since it's a larger band.
 - She said things are tricky this year, because school funds are based on enrollments, and enrollments have been falling, which makes it harder on the budget overall. The band could absolutely advocate for this expenditure during the budget season. She said she's happy

to sit down with anyone to brainstorm ideas about remarks, re: extra support needed for the program.

- Adam - Our band is the size of the James Wood & Millbrook bands combined. It's 10% of the student body. Our funding is equal, but not equitable, because of its size.
 - Boycourt asked about the average cost of athletics transportation? McCoy answered that the school has \$65,000 across all sports. Sometimes Warrior Club kicks in to assist.
 - Adam noted that the band is uniquely positioned as "not a moneymaker" since it doesn't sell tickets for its events.
 - McCoy added that band is also unique because it's both academic, and kind of a co-curricular activity.
 - Tyler Ende noted that going to Delaware is a shorter trip than Lynchburg for VMBC.
 - Board members and McCoy also noted that when advocating for funds one could note that the skills learned through band are far more than musical.
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- **Indoor Championships Hotel Rooms - Adam Stein**
 - Due to changes in field trip guidelines, we need to discuss the costs for students, and if the boosters will cover a portion of the costs.
 - McCoy and Fenton involved here.
 - Devon Stein leads discussion - She said the boosters budgeted zero dollars this year for this.
 - Boycourt noted the zero figure was because we didn't anticipate an overnight trip during budgeting.
 - Last year rooms were \$149 per room, this year it looks like \$110, Devon said. Due to changes in field trip guidelines, we can only have two kids in each room, unless we use air mattresses. Devon asked whether the boosters would want to cover the hotel costs for nine staff members or build that price into the cost for students so that the boosters pay nothing.
 - Boycourt moved for boosters to pay for the rooms for staff. The motion was approved unanimously.
 - Scholarship Committee Prep - Stephanie will set up everything for whomever wants to help to avoid a conflict of interest for her, who is the mother of a senior who could potentially apply for one of the scholarships.

- SnapRaise! - Ende says the fundraiser needs a launch date. The board agreed with him that mid-February would work.
- Boycourt asked if the boosters can start advertising for board positions on social, newsletters, etc. now?
 - Sam also offered the reminder that board meetings are open to everybody, so people can come and learn what the board does.
 - Jen added that she would love to have the meeting in the band room so that people arriving for the general membership meeting could easily see the board in action as well.

Adjournment: 7:01 p.m.