

Sherando High School Band Booster Association

June 11, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes

Call to order - 5:43 p.m.

x	President	Adam Stein		Band Director	(open)
x	Vice President	Phil Benson		Guard Instructor	(open)
x	Secretary	Stephanie Mangino	x	Perc Instructor	Scott Kittrell
x	Treasurer	Sam Kilkus	x	Band Assistant	Devon Stein
X	Logistics Coordinator	Justin San Agustin	x	Bookkeeper	Sandy Smith
X	Volunteer Coordinator	Anne Thompson			
x	Communications	Lora Jarrell			
x	Advancement	Crystal Neal			
x	Uniforms	Jennifer Boycourt			
x	Member-at-Large	Shannon Damron			

Welcome - Adam Stein

Treasurer's Report - Sam Kilkus

- The year end budget numbers show \$94,000 in expenses, \$128,000 in income, resulting in a net of \$34,000.
- Sam and Bookkeeper Sandy Smith proposed switching from QuickBooks to another account management system, since the boosters don't use many of QuickBooks' features and the service's price keeps rising. Sandy said she is going to look into Quicken and Sam said she has looked into Wave. A change might be something we talk about later because it might make sense to look into other options.

Old Business - Adam Stein

- Adam noted that Mirazz Lystrup is now the band's RaiseRight rep now, and has done a good job with that.
- Additionally, Adam reminded the board about two fundraising car washes coming up on June 14 and July 19 in the Bank of Clarke lot at the intersection of Fairfax Pike and Double Church Road in Stephens City. Venmo, SwipeSimple and cash payments will be accepted at both car washes, Sam added.
- The group also agreed that Jim Kirk could take the boosters' debit card with him to Kentucky to pay for expenses incurred while picking up props for this 2025 marching show. If he has a problem using it, the boosters will reimburse him.

New Business

Photo Collage Framing

• The boosters unanimously approved spending up to \$400 for the printing and framing of a photo collage of the 2024-2025 Sherando Marching Warriors.

Reaffirming Boosters' Support Role With a Band Director Change - Adam Stein

- Adam addressed how the band is without a director at the moment, and stated that he wants to make sure that the boosters will support the students first and be visible and consistent to help sustain the spirit and strength of the Sherando band community.
- He said the boosters board should reinforce optimism with parents and discourage rumor-spreading and any negativity, and support the new director to help them from being overwhelmed. The boosters can provide onboarding support for the new director as well as run interference for the new director by answering most questions or concerns from the boosters' membership so that the new director can settle in well (while also respecting the new director's boundaries.)
- The boosters, he said, will respect the leadership of the new director the boosters exist to help.
- Adam added that the board might need to schedule additional meetings over the summer for introductions to the new director.
- The set calendar for the summer is unchanged, which Adam said also will help with continuity for students.
- Finally, Devon said she could share, with permission from the school, that there is a candidate of choice, who is being vetted by the school board and is ready to hit the ground running.

2025-2026 Budget Discussion - Entire Board

• The board reviewed projected income and expenses for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. The draft budget shows a shortfall of approximately \$60,000, and assumes that at least one major fundraising event, the Sherando Band Golf Tournament, is unlikely to happen in 2026 unless a committee leader passionate about golf can be found. Discussion revolved around finding savings wherever possible, and

perhaps having parents/students in some sections of the band assume additional performance wear costs. This year's budget also includes more paid staff, during band camp and throughout the year, than ever before, so those proposed stipends will also be reviewed, so that pay rates are consistent and commensurate with work performed.

- The budget anticipates the purchase of additional shakos and bibbers for the marching show, marching show tops, and guard uniforms (which will be reused during the winter indoor season) for a band numbering 130+ members. Sam noted that the overage from the 2024-2025 fiscal year can be applied to the budget, as can savings, to help balance the budget.
- The board agreed to discuss the budget further, along with other new items, such as band camp planning and arranging band camp help, setting up a band camp block party event, arranging homecoming parade food truck concessions, and board organizational items, over email in advance of the July 9 board meeting.

Adjournment 8:45 p.m.