

**Plainfield Band Booster**  
**Meeting Minutes**

May 18, 2015

**I. Call to order**

**Tim Underwood, Band Booster President, called to order the meeting of the Plainfield Band Boosters at 6:00 p.m. on May 18, 2015 in the Plainfield High School Auditorium.**

Tim Underwood welcomed all new parents and previous band parents.

Our next meeting will be May 9, 2015, 7:30 in the High School Band Room.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting**

There were no minutes from the last meeting read or approved.

**II. Election**

Tim Underwood announced ballots were being passed out. The past board was asked to stand and be recognized. He then recognized those on the ballot. Executive President Harriet Doss, Administrative President, Troy Crum, Vice President Jennifer King, Treasurer Bill Wolfe, Secretary Carole Snyder, Director of Operations Clint Groeschen, Director of Revenue Beverly Flanigan, Director of Communication Teri Groeschen, Directors of events Tina Hayes and Dana Commander. Ballots were collected.

**III. General Information**

We have a new website: [www.plainfieldband.org](http://www.plainfieldband.org). All information you need to know is on the website including the presentation. Purpose of the boosters is to support all the programs in the fine arts community. We work with both the band directors and the color guard. We are a 501c3 non for profit organization. We also support financial support for all the performance groups; marching band, jazz band, color guard, etc.

Leadership is the Executive Team and the Core Team. The boosters are parents and guardians who have students in the program, associate members are friends and grandparents, alumni etc. We meet each third Tuesday of each month at 7:30.

What's in it for me....we are in a coaching phase of our students in the band. We set the expectations for them. We also serve 18,500 parents and students who come to our invitational events. The students may tell you they don't want us but they really look for their parents in the stands supporting them. Our students rank near the top 25-30 percent in the Graduating class. They also develop friendships, memorable experiences and opportunities.

There are many opportunities to volunteer and serve this organization. We support Marching Band, Color Guard, Winter Guard, Winter Percussion, Show Choir Bands, Musical Pit Band, Jazz Band, and Solo Ensemble.

June 1 is the Summer Training Season. Then a summer training party on June 12, 9:00 p.m. -midnight. Your child also has leadership opportunities. Band Camp Season begins end of July. Mr. Carpenter says on time is late. Early is on time....All dates are on the website. The band plays at the home football games. Then there are the competitions which start September 12. This year we are also doing Bands

of America on October 23. We will perform between 2:00 and 5:00 so we will need many volunteers who can take a half day of work off to help.

The school pays \$600.00 each weekend for transportation costs and 50% of the cost of the uniforms and capital expenses for instruments. Outside of that, it is the booster organization who provides financial support. The State Board of Accounts limits what the school can contribute. Our budget is \$173,077.00. The cost to put one student on the field is \$475.00 to March. Winter guard costs \$1000, Winter Percussion is \$1000.00. The fee for your child to be part of band is \$450.00. The Winter Guard fee is \$400.00. Winter Percussion fee is \$500.00. Parent fees are not our only revenue since it will not cover all of our costs. We also look for Sponsors, and other Revenue events.

Your payment options are cash, check or charge. There is a box outside the Director's office. You can mail it to Plainfield Band Boosters, P.O. Box 276, Plainfield, Indiana, 46168. Or you can pay with a credit card by seeing the Treasurer or follow the email link.

Your costs to have your student in band is up to you: \$450.00 is the fee, you might want to buy spirit wear, fundraisers, restaurant nights, family take out parties, and travel to competitions. All information is on the website. The first payment is \$150.00 due June 12, 2015.

#### **IV. Questions**

Someone asked how many freshman were coming in this year. The number the school has given us is about 150-180 total students. Another question is about the calendar, it is a google calendar and can be imported into your own calendars. Tim Underwood showed a picture of the uniform and described the parts to it. Shoes are purchased from the band for your student. They are purchased through Crystal Underwood. She will fit the students for them. Shoes cost \$37.00.

#### **V. Election Results**

The Newly Elected slate was announced. Executive President, Harriet Doss, Administrative Vice President Troy Crum, Vice President Jennifer King, Treasurer Bill Wolfe, Secretary Carole Snyder, Director of Operations Clint Groeschen, Director of Revenue Beverly Flannigan, Director of Communications Teri Groeschen, Director Events Tina Hayes and Dana Commander.

Tim closed the meeting with thanking all for attending. New President Harriot Doss announced the silent auctions are worth over \$150.00 dollars.

Motion to Adjourn the Booster Meeting was made by Anne Darrough and seconded by Beverly Flannigan.

Tim Underwood adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Carole Snyder