

**Dougherty Valley High School
Music Booster Meeting
PA132
November 17, 2025- 6:30 PM**

MINUTES

Attendance

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| • Teri Musiel - Band Director | • Anu KrishnanCo-VP Orchestra |
| • Diana Walker - Choir Director | • Cynthia Secakusuma - VP Choir |
| • Lauren Gibson – Band Director | • Cecilia Aires - VP Band |
| • Jamie Shackelford - Asst. Principal | • Nanda Kamineni - VP Ways and Means |
| • Smitha Myneni - President | • Madhavi Erva - Newsletter Chair |
| • Tony Chu - Secretary | • Lorrان Garrison - Social Media Chair |
| • Wei (Wendy) Shi - Treasurer | • Manjula Reddy - Parent |
| • Grace Hains - Co-VP Orchestra | • Alpa Shroff - Parent |

Welcome, Approval of Minutes and discussion of bylaws

The Meeting started at 6:40 pm. October 20th minutes were approved unanimously. Bylaws were approved unanimously.

Winter Concert Planning

- Cecelia will take care of decorations. Looking for fairy lights and poinsettias
- Close choir and band rooms during the concert, kids can't come in and out during the concert
- There's always teachers backstage. Parents need to leave the backstage and let the directors deal with any problems after the concert has started.
- Kids should be staying for the entire concert
- Don't ask teachers to help up front, usually there isn't an extra teacher to spare
- No booster announcements during the concert
- Don't sell anything in the auditorium
- No canned music in the lobby
- Boosters asked if it was possible to avoid loose sheets in the programs and the response was that it would be cost prohibitive.
- VPs need to be responsible for the swag for their concerts. Ways and means can help at the beginning and end, but can't be there every night.

Reports and Updates

1. Administration (Jamie)

- a. Jamie attended the social trip with the band and was very impress
- b. Mini college fair on Wednesday, November 19th
- c. Winter dance performances this Wednesday, 11/19 and Thursday, 11/20
- d. After the Thanksgiving break there's only two more weeks of school and then a week of finals.

2. *Finance (Wendy)*

- a. City Center Choir performance payment has been received.
- b. Tax return filing is almost completed.
- c. We have nearly reached our Instrument Repair budget. If we anticipate additional repair needs, we may need to consider adjusting this budget.
- d. We have also spent \$5,015.00 on Festival & Competition, slightly exceeding the budgeted amount of \$5,000.00. Hopefully this covers all expenses for the school year; however, if there are any upcoming festivals, we will need to update the budget accordingly.
- e. Band Tour: We did not have any parents participate as chaperones this year. However, the invoice we paid included a chaperone cost, which resulted in a \$1,142.00 discrepancy in the Band Tour category. We may need to reclassify this amount as a transportation expense to properly account for it.

3. *Ways and Means (Nanda)*

- a. Storage racks built all swag currently fits on the racks.
- b. Table the design contest until next year.
- c. Do we need new blankets? Smitha will check on price to reorder

4. *Choir (Diana)*

- a. Kids really enjoyed Tenor Bass Festival.
- b. This will be a busy year, 8 gigs total
- c. Can we give an honorarium to the guest harpist?

5. *Orchestra*

- a. Paul highlighted the students selected for all-state honor orchestra

6. *Band (Teri/Lauren)*

- a. Halloween Parade went well.
- b. Social trip was a success, the two wind ensemble groups mixed well and the recording session was a great experience.
- c. County Honor Band Reading on December 6th
- d. Jazz Band on December 13th @SRVHS

Potluck Date

The potluck will be held at the next board meeting on December 15th. Everyone wear ugly sweaters!

Open Discussion

- December 12th is picture day. Tony to set up SignUpGenius for Picture Day
- Look into adding honor band acknowledgement, Halloween picture and Social trip on to Dougherty splash page
- City Center Caroling will happen every Sunday
- Nov/Dec newsletter will be a single edition. Send out after break

President's closing comments

Live scan event worked great. At the beginning of next semester we need to look for shadows and co-chairs for people. Swag staff appreciation went great. Many thanks to Jamie for helping with that.

Adjournment 7:47 pm

Next Meeting: December 15, 2025 - 6:30 pm

Upcoming Events

Winter Band Concert	12/8 and 12/10
Winter Orchestra Concert	12/9
Winter Choir Concert	12/11
Picture Day	12/12
Jazz Festival @SRVHS	12/13