

Pulaski Music Booster Meeting
Monday, July 14, 2025 ~ 7:00 p.m. Pulaski High School

1. Meeting call to order – 7:01 PM

2. Student Reports
 - i. Leah Dyal
 - i. Show Choir camps are coming up August 4th and August 5th. Practice is noon-4:30 PM in the choir room
 - ii. Tenor/Bass Get Together is August 4th 5-7:30 PM in the choir room
 - iii. Soprano/Alto Get Together is August 5th 5-7:30 PM in the choir room
 - iv. PHS Choir Camp is August 6th 2-7:30 PM in the choir room
 - v. We will have a choir feed August 6th during camp
 - vi. Chamber Choir will have a rehearsal August 11th 5-6 PM and a dress rehearsal on August 21st to prepare for a performance at the District Welcome Back on August 25th
 - vii. We are not doing the Polka Days Parade this year due to low interest
 - ii. Will Gosse
 - i. The Mackinac Island Lilac Festival was a big success. We earned a trophy for “Best Musical Act”
 - ii. We have also marched in 3 local parades, a very hot Maribel, Reedsville and then Marinette. We had standstill performances at Maribel and Reedsville
 - iii. Band also performed at Sounds of Saputo on June 26th at the high school
 - iv. We had our 1st Philadelphia trip info meeting on July 10th

- v. Preparation is underway for the next band camp July 28th thru August 1st. The theme for this year's field show is Aladdin. Songs will be "Never Had a Friend Like Me" "Prince Ali" and "Arabian Nights"

3. Director Reports (Mrs. Brown, Mr. Busch, Mr. Guerrero)

i. Mrs. Brown

- i. Will be emailing dates out for choir events
- ii. Need help with the choir feed for August 6th.
 - 1) Ashley Carlson stepped up to lead the feed.
 - 2) There are hot dogs leftover from the Solo & Ensemble Concession stand that can be used for the feed.
 - 3) Ashley will create a sign up with the event coming up quickly

ii. Mr. Busch – no report as he was not present

iii. Mr. G

- i. The Philadelphia trip meeting went well. Harmony Tours has put together an excellent trip for us. Excitement is building.
- ii. Emailed the Slide Show and the Information Letter on Friday to families. Also shared it with Mr. Couch and Ms. Reuten to send to the incoming 8th graders, not sure if it's been shared
- iii. Amy Herison has agreed to lead the Friends & Family Tour. Details to come
- iv. Carmen Raymaker is our new Lead Chaperone. Believe she is going to do a great job. Just want to take a minute to thank Charlotte Skala for her years of service to the band. Polka days will be her last parade
- v. Do something nice for Charlotte in recognition of her service?
 - 1) Jessi to check with Eric what she likes

- vi. Pulaski News posted on their Facebook feed a declaration of our invitation to participate in the Philadelphia parade, so that's really cool
- vii. Also put Harmony in touch with the parade producer, Todd Marcocci. He is fired up to have us here. When told we were in, he responded "Awesome" with like 47 explanation marks!
 - 1) His goal is to have 250 elements in the parade. Hopefully we aren't 249
- viii. Report time for the polka parade should be 9:00 AM. Sending out permission slips and travel release forms. Permission slip is required, travel release only required if not riding the bus back to school. They will be due Thursday July 17th.
 - 1) Report time 9:00 AM
 - 2) 10:00 AM march over to PCMS to stage and perform for Veterans
 - 3) 11:00 step off, band is near the end
 - 4) Return to PHS around 2:00 PM
 - 5) Bus lined up for the high school students marching with the middle school band to get them back.
 - 6) Make sure Charlotte knows about students marching twice.
 - 7) Will need chaperones to march with them and ride the bus back.
 - a) Mindy, Jeff and Kris volunteer to be those chaperones
- ix. Continuing tradition of Red Raider Jazz Ensemble performing at the Lee Lake Tavern Car Show up near Kelly Lake on Saturday, August 23rd. RRJE will be performing from 12:30-2:00 PM
- x. The Marinette Parade went great. Heard lots of compliments from the crowd about the band.
- xi. Also, going back to Mackinac, we got tons of compliments as well. Many people thought we were a college band. Many store owners made sure to say how awesome the kids are. Said how well behaved and polite all the kids were
- xii. Have a lot of new parents of incoming freshmen volunteering for parades. This is really awesome

4. Coordinator Reports

- i. Chaperones - Charlotte Skala/Carmen Raymaker
 - 1) Had a chance to shadow Charlotte at the Marinette parade.
 - 2) Have had discussions with Mike and Charlotte planning for the future
- ii. MET Force - Jessi Drevs
 - 1) Thankful for all the help with MET
 - 2) Ordering new magnets for the truck. Waiting to hear back on pricing
 - 3) Drivers are lined up for the remaining parades
 - 4) We will have a side by side to help with Polka Days parade
- iii. Resch Center - Margie Reynolds
 - 1) There aren't many dates. No dates for August
- iv. Apparel Sale - Julie Murphy
 - 1) Made \$70 at merch table during Fanfare in the Fieldhouse (aka Sounds of Saputo)
- v. Bake Sales - Jackie Lyons
 - 1) Bake sales start in November with first one during Red Raider Showcase
 - 2) Will need help with bake sale for Optimist Craft Show
- vi. Festival gift card sales - Ashley Carlson
 - 1) 23 families signed up and order 142 Festival Foods Cards
 - 2) Cards have been ordered
 - 3) Hoping to distribute cards during Band Camp and Choir Camp
- vii. Pie & Ice Cream Social Debrief - Carmen Raymaker & Heidi Handrich
 - 1) Went really well. Had a lot of wonderful pies donated
 - 2) Made a profit of \$1023.00
- viii. Communications - Jennifer Sinkula
 - 1) Add Music Feeds to the agenda because they are coming up soon
 - 2) Put dates up until August on the newsletter
 - 3) Will update links in newsletter for Raise Right
 - 4) Mrs. Brown will be adding Booster meetings to calender

5. Treasurer Report - Mindy Melendy/Jessi Drevs - Review & approve financial report

- i. Current Balance in Premier - \$107,522.59
 - 1) Numbers is inflated due to a large number of deposits
 - 2) \$250 per student for Mackinac Trip still due to directors

- ii. Current Student Balance - \$32,994.66
 - 1) Approves - Jeff Mommaerts
 - 2) Seconds – Carmen Raymaker
- 6. Secretary Report - Jessi Dreves/Kris Mommaerts - Review & approve minutes from last month
 - a. Approves – Jackie Lyons
 - b. Seconds – Ashley Carlson
- 7. Vice President Report - Mindy Melendy
- 8. President Report - Cara Gosse
- 9. New Business
 - i. Pampered Chef fundraiser
 - 1) Will be setting up a party in August with Karen Worsnup. She conducted the party we had to raise funds for Pasadena, and that went very well. Details to come
 - 2) We earned \$6 on the Timber Rattlers fundraiser, so we told them to keep it and we would try again next year.
 - 3) Jeff will be working on moving everything over to Booster Hub. He will work on Quick books and security first.
 - 4) Band Camp sign up is posted. Already have 58 things spoken for and off to a good start
 - 5) The woodworking equipment donated by Bob Kubiak's family is posted on the WI Surplus website. All items currently have a bid
 - 6) There is a Go Fund Me page set up for the Trudell family to help after the accident. Along with that, the suggested to buy Scrip cards to help them out was made
- 10. Adjourn @ 8:16
 - a. Approves - Jessi Dreves
 - b. Seconds – Jackie Lyons

Next Meeting: Monday, August 11, 2025 @ 7:00pm - PHS Room LGI-1