

# **Pulaski Music Booster Meeting**

## **Monday, Feb. 9, 2026 ~ 7:00 p.m. Pulaski High School**

1. Meeting call to order - 7:01 PM
2. Student Reports
  - a. Will Gosse
    - The band had a successful performance at Chilirific.
    - Dr. Dan Cavanagh was our guest conductor. He directed the bands for our Phantom of the Opera piece.
    - There was an added Pep band at Cornerstone Arena on 1/30.
    - 2 Pep band performance after that will be 2/12 and 2/13 (Youth Night and Senior Night)
    - The band is busy preparing for Solo & Ensemble.
    - State Honor auditions are underway.
  - b. Leah Dyal - no report
3. Director Reports (Mrs. Brown, Mr. Busch, Mr. Guerrero)
  - a. Mrs. Brown - no report
  - b. Mr. Busch
    - Chilirific was awesome. Huge shout out to the Gosse family for their connection with Dr. Cavanagh and for hosting him. Dr. Cavanagh told me he had a blast.
    - Congratulations to the boosters on a successful fundraiser. Heard many good reports about the event.
    - We are in the 3rd quarter of the school year, which means Solo & Ensemble. This year it is on March 21st.
    - We will not be going to Shawano for large group, so we are also hosting that this year.
    - Started talking field show music with the junior class.
    - Band Camp will be the last week of July
    - The Roncalli Festival will be on April 29th.
    - State Solo & Ensemble will be May 2nd at UW Green Bay.
    - We will have a Pep band in May for soccer, but there is no date yet.

c. Mr. Guerrero

- Thank you for all the boosters do with Chilirific.
- Chilirific is going to be featured on the Raider Report. I was interviewed for the report.
- Jazz performed well at the event.
- Jazz 2 and 3 had their first practice since Chilirific and they all had positive things to say about the experience.
- Jazz is entering Festival season and we are attempting to nail down which festival(s) to attend. It's been a bit tricky.
- We are hosting Solo & Ensemble on March 21st. Don't have much detail right now. Mr. Couch is working on the schedule. Should know more by 3rd week of February. We have picked up some new schools who will be attending our event.
- For Philly - the organizers of the parade have reached out with info. We have Parade Nick and Travel Nick. Travel Nick has been booking things in our itinerary.
- Our 1st rehearsal will be in April.
- The Parent meeting will be May 21st.
- Carmen and I met with Bernadette and got things figured out on the health side of things.
- Working on getting all forms together and will be sharing those out with families.
- Students have been talking about room assignments. Lots of buzz in the band room. They will have a couple of weeks to work things out. Incoming freshmen will be sent a link in an email to sign up for their rooms.
- Things are falling into place for Philly!
- For families not going on the Shadow tour, it is best to go to the Wawa Welcomes America website for information on the parade. We will share any info we can also.

4. Coordinator Reports

a. Chaperones - Carmen Raymaker

- There will be a chaperone meeting before the parent meeting on May 21st. Will go over logistical stuff and basic medical training stuff with Bernadette.
- Once we have room assignments, I can start figuring out which chaperones are with which kids.

- b. MET Force - Jessi Dreves
  - Thanks for all the help at Chilirific. I felt it went better than it has in the past.
  - Having section leaders help unload things at PCMS was a great burden off the rest of the crew that was helping at the high school.
  - The next big thing will be moving pianos for Solo & Ensemble.
- c. Resch Center - Margie Reynolds
  - March dates will be out soon.
  - Thank you to those who have signed up the past couple months and worked games and events.
- d. Apparel Sale - Julie Murphy
  - Don't have anything new in apparel.
  - We do have older merchandise available in our Booster Hub store! We have gotten five orders since its launch!
  - The opening of our store was announced on Facebook and website. Need to add it to the newsletter.
  - The merch table at Chilirific also sold some items. But mostly the table was busy with our new credit card device. It worked really well and people seemed happy we had it.
- e. Bake Sales - Jackie Lyons - no report
- f. Music Feeds - Jennifer Sinkula/Ashley Carlson - no report
  - Still looking for a co-chair to work with Ashley.
- g. Booster Hub - Jeff Mommaerts/Jackie Huisman
  - The store front is up and running.
  - The website is also turned on, but other parts still remain off as we work on them.
  - Add some News stories to the home page.
  - Working on having Booster Hub accept donations. Will be sending an email out to the board on ways this could work.
  - Working on the calendar. The goal is to go live March 1st. Coordinating with the Directors on that.
  - I need to start talking with Mindy on how the Newsletter will work in Booster Hub. A little bit of a complicated process to get our member list over from Mailchimp. That will be coming soon as well.
  - Doing a lot of soft launches with Booster Hub.

- h. Chilirific (aka Chile Olympic music balloon zone) - Jeff Mommaerts, Cara Gosse, Mindy Melendy
    - Thank you to everyone who helped out. This was the smoothest of the 3 years I have been involved with it (Jeff).
    - We think attendance was down a tick, but we still made a great profit - around eleven thousand.
    - Shout out to Elise for staying way past her sign up time! That was a huge help!
  - i. Solo/Ensemble - Elise Batzer
    - Have some confirmations for all our certifiers and processors. Dawn, Kim and Ann will be back, as well as Greg as one of our runners. I have confirmed with Lindsey and Gizelle to run digital results. Just waiting to confirm with Lucy.
    - The biggest need right now is someone to run the Judge's room. I also need help with percussion assistance, I have a note it is usually someone from Drumline.
    - Have had some people reach out for room monitors. Basically will need time keepers, first aid, mobile hospitality and the judges room.
    - Sign up will be forthcoming.
  - j. Communications - Jennifer Sinkula - no report
    - Meat Raffle is March 8th 1:00 PM until the cooler is empty. There will also be a 50/50 raffle
    - Restaurant Night - February 18th at Scott's Subs 4-7 PM
5. Treasurer Report - Jessi Drevs - Review & approve financial report
- I made a large deposit on Saturday of Chilirific, gift card sales and a miscellaneous donation that came in.
  - I bought a large amount of Kwik Trip cards because of the double back special in February.
  - Checks have been written for last year's Solo & Ensemble payments
  - Another payment will be made to Harmony out of the student accounts. Please fill out the form to request such payment. I will send the check to Harmony at the end of the week for the second installment.
  - Approve - Jeff Mommaerts
  - Second - Jackie Lyons
- a. Current Balance in Premier - \$82,426.50
  - b. Current Student Balance - \$31,083.81

6. Secretary Report - Kris Mommaerts - Review & approve minutes from last month
  - Approve - Jeff Mommaerts
  - Second - Jessi Drevs
7. Vice President Report - Mindy Melendy
  - a. Call for PMB Board nominations for '26-'27
    - We will be looking for nominations at the March 9th meeting for Vice President and Secretary.
    - Voting will be in April.
    - Jessi has volunteered to stay another year, but you can still nominate someone if you want.
    - Information is in the by laws on what board roles do.
8. President Report - Cara Gosse
  - I would like to formally acknowledge Jeff's incredible leadership for Chilirific. His last year went out with a bang! He set us up for success for years to come. A huge thank you and we are lucky to have you!
9. New Business
  - Dairy Queen raised \$333, which is the 3rd or 4th highest, including Pasadena year).
  - Thank you to all the volunteers who helped that night.
10. Adjourn - 8:19 PM
  - Approve - Jessi Drevs
  - Second - Elise Batzer

**Next Meeting: Monday, March 9, 2026 @ 7:00pm - PHS Room LGI-1**