# Wheat Ridge Instrumental Music Boosters, Inc. Agenda



November 10, 2025, 6:30 pm

Google Meet link: <a href="https://meet.google.com/yiy-vbrb-abq">https://meet.google.com/yiy-vbrb-abq</a>

- I. Welcome and introductions
- II. October minutes approved

## III. Fundraising

- Butter Braids
  - Erika May will take over next year!!
  - 2025 Final Numbers:
    - 21 students participated
    - 272 items were sold
    - \$2,250.20 is our group profit
  - 2024 numbers for comparison
    - Students participating 14
    - Units sold 168
    - Money raised \$1465.80
  - Carrie says we're about back to pre-pandemic Butter Braid numbers, yay!
  - Huge thank you to Carrie for chairing this fundraiser for years and years!!
- Restaurant Nights
  - Lisa will work to set up something for one of the December concerts:
    - Dec. 3 Orchestra Futures Concert, 6:30 pm
    - Dec. 4 Jazz Futures Concert with Everitt, 6:30 pm
    - Dec. 11 Band Futures Concert, 6:30 pm

#### IV. Treasurer's Report

- Ledger balances
  - Christina will add Butter Braids numbers for next month
- o <u>Treasurer's Report</u>
  - Write a Check raised \$1010 with 13 people donating
  - Will split Butter Braids with 80% into student ledgers and 20% for Boosters General Fund
  - The Farmer Pride trip to State in Grand Junction cost about \$5010 (about \$3400 for the charter bus and \$1610 for the hotel). Students brought their own lunch on Monday and a gracious donor donated money to cover dinner on Monday night. The hotel provided breakfast and kids ate lunch on their own after arriving back at WRHS on 1 pm on Tuesday.
    - Donations via Square (\$1600) and Colorado Gives (\$800) covered about half the cost (\$2500) so thank you to our gracious donors!!
    - State next year will be in Pueblo.
      - Likely cost will be \$3400 for a bus.

- When planning for subsequent years (fingers crossed!), Kendra might raise the fee for marching band by \$25 to help cover some of those costs, and boosters should probably plan to earmark some money too. Christina said the cost is similar to what we had been donating when we supported Winter Percussion.
- Cash flow

## V. Balance of the 2025 Community Grant

• Still have about \$1800 to spend that will be used to order microphones.

# VI. Music Program updates

- Marching Band state championship report
  - Went really well.
  - Had 8 sets of parents on the state trip.
  - See above under Treasurer's Report for thoughts about budgeting for this in future years.
- Performance Schedule
  - Wednesday, 12/3 Orchestra Futures Concert, 6:30 pm
  - Thursday, 12/4 Jazz Concert with Everitt Jazz Band, 6:30 pm
  - Thursday, 12/11 Band Futures Concert, 6:30 pm
- Future Opportunities
  - Wheat Ridge Tree Lighting 12/6 30-minute slot between 3 and 6.
    - Kendra still needs see what Plakorus has planned and whether it's possible to do back-to-back performances with choir and jazz band
  - Dazzle ("Thanks for reaching out. We LOVE having local school programs on our stage. We have big bands with 20+ musicians, but that's a tight squeeze. I think student groups usually vary from 6 12.")
    - Will need to book this about 3 months in advance.
  - Play for the Optimists group sometime this spring.
    - Matt will send Kendra scheduler.
- Other Marching Band business meals for next year
  - This year and in past years, used a Signup Genius list to have parents donate food for meals and some parents would volunteer to cook/warm-up food at competitions.
  - Matt suggested that we could adopt a model like the one used for the musical, where families of participants either pay a fee (like \$25) or agree to donate food for the meals for next fall. (This would still require a Signup Genius list, much like the musical does.)
  - Kendra is hoping to rope in some of the other marching band families to help run this next year, seeing as Melissa Wartman will be "retiring" (at least for a while) after Dominic graduates.

## VII. School Website

- How do we institute improvements so that our music pages look more dynamic and comparable to other nearby high schools?
- Comparison
  - Matt talked with Cindy Blair
  - Seems like an issue for SAC (School Accountability Committee) and PTSA

#### VIII. Potential address change update

- Matt mailed letter to test the system on 11/10.
  - If it works well enough that we can change our address. If it works, our new address will be:

WRHS Instrumental Music Boosters c/o WRCF 4005 Kipling St Wheat Ridge, CO 80033

#### IX. Stickers for sale - \$2

• Let's push these at the December concert

## X. Open positions for this year

- <u>President-Elect</u> prepare to run the Boosters the following year. Typically, the
   President serves a one-year term, and then serves one additional year in an advisory capacity as Past-President.
- Secretary Take minutes, check and sign off on monthly bank statements
- <u>Treasurer Elect</u> work with current treasurer in preparation for serving as Treasurer in the 2026-27 school year

#### XI. Embroidered Labels reminder

- Agenda Reminder: Embroidered labels
  - Need 26 labels (Four individuals will need multiple labels made.)
    - Christina sent list from Colorado Gives; Lisa will find the rest of the list form a couple of years ago.

Farmer Pride
Donated by Dorothy Gale

## XII. New business

- Sing Me A Story? www.singmeastory.org
  - Forwarded email to Kendra in October so she could see if it might be a good fit for WRHS
- Fundraiser for auditorium chairs (suggested by theater teacher Michelle Ford-Kunz).
  - Summary of conversation was that no other schools that we know of have had to fundraise for auditorium seats and because they're a capital expense, they likely would be included in a future bond.
  - Estimated cost is \$175,000 to replace the seats, so it's also not something anyone could easily fundraise.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm.

Next meeting: Monday, January 12- 6 pm