



Wheat Ridge High School Instrumental Music Boosters, Inc. Minutes

September 12, 2022, 6 pm, WRHS Conference Room & [Google Meet](#)

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

I. Meeting called to order at 6:09 pm. Attending: Lisa Cook, Amy Vaughan, Chin Goh, Carrie Christensen, Bridget Karlin, Christina Hubbard, Paul Denning, David Baxter, Shannon Snow, Kendra Graf.

II. [August minutes](#) approved.

III. Open positions

- President-Elect - 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.
- Broncos/Aramark Fundraising Manager - Partners with our Aramark Manager to step into the Broncos Fundraising role the following year. Includes communication with Aramark to set up contracts, setting up sign-up sheets for each event (Broncos home games in the fall, potentially Rockies games [weekends and/or evenings] in the spring and summer. We have also sometimes worked spring and summer events like concerts and such at the stadium.) The manager or managers often double as stand leads at the games.
- Farmer Pride (Marching Band) Manager - Work with Kendra to coordinate volunteers with signup lists for food, to pull the trailer, and other support as needed for practices and competitions. This position is mostly a fall-only job, plus basketball games during the winter.
 - Chin Goh volunteered to fill this position this year.
- Color Guard & Winter Guard Manager - gather names and contact information to send invoices to families and coordinate with Kendra to provide support as needed for practices and competitions.
- Secretary - Take and type up meeting minutes, review and sign bank statements each month.
 - Shannon Snow volunteered to fill this position this year.

IV. Music Program updates

- Lots of activities going on! Upcoming: homecoming game, Farmers 5000. In October the band is going to a competition on Oct. 1, plus the ensembles will have their concerts, plus more football games. On Oct. 17 the orchestra will go to the ROARchestra Festival at Lakewood HS.
- The German students will arrive Oct. 25 and stay through Nov. 3. At meeting time, she still needed hosts for 7 students. Also, the cost for the bus for some of the events with the German students came in at less than half the estimated cost.

- Typically, this has been a rotating trip where the jazz and ensemble and some singers go to Germany some years and other years the German students come to Wheat Ridge. Wheat Ridge students traveled to Germany in Fall 2019, but travel was put on hold during the 2020-21 and 2021-22 years due to the pandemic.
- The tarps were painted for band, and a local artist painted them for less than half the original estimate.
- Marching Band marched at its first festival of the season and she's impressed by how well they did.
- She is currently looking into a weekend Grand Junction trip out to a music festival, which could include a stop at Glenwood Springs on the way home this spring. That trip would be open to everyone in all of the instrumental music classes (like Disneyland was last year). Details and costs are still being worked out.

V. Fundraisers

- Aramark
 - The games are going well with only a few hiccups. The Aramark retail team is much more responsive than the concessions team.
 - Volunteers are needed for the 9/18 game (1 adult and 4 more workers) and need to arrive at the stadium between 10 and 10:30 am.
 - Parking for the remaining games will be at Coors Field and volunteers are shuttled to the stadium. Plan for a 15-20 minute commute between parking and the stadium. (It was also noted that because the volunteers have to be at the stadium so early, it might be possible to find parking on city streets near the stadium.)
 - Volunteers will receive at least \$90 for workers and \$120 for stand managers that will go directly into student ledgers, and more if we also receive more from Aramark (as often happens at games with a lot of retail sales). We are working the Club Level East and Club Level West retail stores.
 - Sign up to work by clicking one of the links below:
 - Sep 18 - https://wrhsmusicboosters.ivolunteer.com/sep_018
 - Sep 25 - https://wrhsmusicboosters.ivolunteer.com/sep_025
 - Oct 6 - https://wrhsmusicboosters.ivolunteer.com/oct_006
 - Oct 23 - https://wrhsmusicboosters.ivolunteer.com/oct_023
 - Nov 20 - https://wrhsmusicboosters.ivolunteer.com/nov_020
 - Dec 11 - https://wrhsmusicboosters.ivolunteer.com/dec_011
 - Dec 18 - https://wrhsmusicboosters.ivolunteer.com/dec_018
 - Jan 8 - https://wrhsmusicboosters.ivolunteer.com/jan_008
- Future fundraisers
 - Butter Braids

- Student will register to get their own link to share
 - Orders taken 9/19-10/3, with delivery on 10/13 in the WRHS parking lot
 - Boosters receive 40% profit on Butter Braids.
 - Students receive 80% of profits from their sales for their student ledgers
 - The remaining 20% of the profits goes to the Boosters general fund.
 - *The top seller will receive either an Amazon.com or Starbucks gift card (student's choice), and the runner-up will receive a \$25 gift card.*
- Chipotle - in one week!
 - Monday, Sept. 19, 4-8 pm. Use code WWBKE89 if ordering online for pickup or show the flier (paper or on your phone) to the cashier when checking out.
 - Music Spirit Apparel - Lisa will contact a potential company on Thursday.
- Ongoing fundraisers (paid quarterly):
 - [Amazon Smile](#)
 - [King Soopers Community Rewards](#)

VI. Treasurer's report

- [Treasurer's report](#)
- [Cash flow report](#)
- [Ledger balances](#)
- Audit - Kendra and Christine were going to review the financial records immediately after the meeting.
- Winter Guard: Boosters will fund 40% of the Winter Guard costs, with families paying fees for the remaining 60%.

VII. 2022-23 Meetings

- Mondays at 6 seem to work best, and hybrid meetings (in-person with a Google Meet link) will be best.
 - Tentative meeting dates: Oct. 10, Nov. 7, and Dec. 5 at 6 pm in the WRHS large conference room (and with the Google Meet links).

VIII. Farmer Pride game-night potlucks

- Those have been happening, and Chin will help coordinate those in his new position as Farmer Pride Manager.

IX. New Business

- Marching band uniforms
 - Kendra made a request for Boosters to start saving for new band uniforms.

- The current ones have been in use for quite some time and only have a few seasons left in them.
- Each uniform would cost about \$125, which includes all of the parts (pants, gauntlet, etc).
- There are currently 37 students in Farmer Pride, but the goal is to grow the marching band back to about 85 students.
- It would cost about \$10,625 to purchase uniforms for 85 students. With declining enrollment projected throughout the district for the next decade or longer, it was noted that it might make sense to aim to purchase 50-60 uniforms (estimated cost \$6250/\$7500), and then purchase additional uniforms as needed from the vendor.
- Lisa will set up a Go Fund Me campaign specifically for uniforms, and we can ask for donations at concerts. We might also make that the focus of our holiday giving campaign, like for Colorado Gives Day.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 pm. Minutes recorded by Lisa Cook.