Parkland Music Boosters Executive Board Meeting
Minutes – September 29, 2026

Attendance: Tina Lee, Valerie Durbin, Rick Whitmire, Christie Polito, Emily Dauster, Lauren Jones, Voula Papageorgiou, Iris Epstein, Jean Ma, Jason Lerew

Excused: Kevin Boger

Meeting called to Order – Rick Whitmire at 7:21PM

Approval of last Meeting Minutes (7/28/2026)
Motion to approve by Emily Dauster and seconded by Valerie Durbin. Unanimously Approved.

Treasurer's Report

- Tina reviewed all items on page 3 showing changes since the last meeting, including the previous game's concession stand sales, business donation, and fundraising.

Motion to approve by Iris Epstein and seconded by Voula Papageorgiou. *Unanimously Approved.*

Director's Report

- Mr. Lerew – Marching Band show is completely together and on the field. Easton First Flag competition was completely cancelled due to weather. Next big event will be the King Frost Parade. Uniforms are now on the field, with some additional issues that will continue to be worked on throughout the year. Transporting the equipment is a much bigger task this year. Discussed how this has been an interesting year. It is likely we will have the next home game at home – due to the light pole coming down this was in question.
    - If we can find a time with Christmas studios we are still planning for Marching Band pictures, they will be in the new uniforms.

Old Business

- **Insurance Liability coverage -** Vicki Ferrence Ray has sent Rance Block and coverage is in place. $1,506 included an installment fee, due to timing. There was a discussion about asking Rance Block to have a copy sent to the school next year.
- **Collegiate Bands -** Update from Iris and Kevin. There will be a flat $500 donation for our sanitation crew, and we will be selling concessions in addition.

- **Spirit Wear -** Band should be delivered soon. Sidney is expecting the Band order to be in this week. The administration wanted to order shirts, and Rick is planning to pick up sweatshirts for them with a popup that is planned for near the holiday concerts. Orchestra and Chorus Extended to the end of the month. There was talk about maybe considering items for the Jazz band, and it was confirmed that the minimum order amounts at the current supply vendor are usually 12, so that might be consideration for the future.
- **Concessions -** Price increased on some items. Discussed how the Greatest Show Dog (hotdog with pulled pork) did very well, and had positive feedback.
- **Important Documents Binder –** Rick Whitmire is starting to assemble. Asked Tina Lee for insurance policy, and trailer registration.
- **Future meeting dates scheduled –**
    - Next **Executive** Boosters Meeting: October 27, 2026 at 7:15 PM
    - Next **General** Boosters Meeting: November 17, 2026 at 7:15 PM
    - **Executive** Boosters Meeting: December 15, 2026 at 7:15 PM
    - **Executive** Boosters Meeting: January 26, 2027 at 7:15 PM
    - **General** Boosters Meeting: February 16, 2027 at 7:15 PM
    - **Executive** Boosters Meeting: March 27, 2027 at 7:15 PM
    - **Executive** Boosters Meeting: April 27, 2027 at 7:15 PM
    - **General** Boosters Meeting: May 18, 2027 at 7:15 PM
- **Fundraising update –** Calendar of fundraisers was discussed, including new items coming up next month (October) regarding donuts and specialty coffee. Working the US Bands even is $10 per person, there is the calendar lottery coming up in December. Biscotti Boys will also be in December.
    - There was a discussion about trying to do a 50/50 tickets at the home game. There was also talk about doing an online vendor, like Charleston Wrap.
- **Thanksgiving Day buses –** Filled two buses. 110 tickets were sold, there may be up to 2 open seats.
- **US Bands –** November is US bands, and Iris asked for phone number (Will) for setup

New Business

- **Senior Posters** – voted verbally for the Band Senior image, adding the graduating year 2027 to the mockup and changes were discussed for the Spring posters.
- **Block Scheduling** – This topic was brought up and discussed to be sure that the topic was understood among the board members.
- **Uniforms** – Massive Thank you to Connie and all those who helped.
- **Trailer wrap** – (Kevin and Connie) [**Postponed to next meeting – November 17th**]
- **Confirm Chair and Co-Chair** for upcoming events – Highlighted dates below
- **Clothing Drive** – Valerie Durbin will be the chair, the date for this will be set up to align with the community resource fair
- **Volunteers** – Discussed a big 'Thank you' for everyone who has volunteered, and a reminder that we want to be sure all our volunteers are treated nicely and with respect. There have been a lot of new volunteers and individuals who don't often

volunteer for events stepping up to help. There have been some concerns voiced from newer volunteers regarding how they were given direction, and the way they had been addressed.

- **District Band** – This year's District Band will be Dec 4th and 5th. The cost is $8 per student had previously been paid for by the school, but that will be changing this year. Mr. Lerew will be asking the students to pay the cost themselves, and the Boosters will assist with collecting the funds

Working Items

1. Key Dates and Communications Calendar – Dates updated below. Additional discussion regarding communications [**Postponed to next meeting – November 17th**]

Upcoming Key Dates

- Football vs. William Allen 10/1
- Collegiate Marching Band Festival: 10/4 – **Iris Epstein and Kevin Boger**
- 8th Grade Band night: 10/9
- Homecoming Game: 10/9
- Away game vs Central Catholic: 10/16
- Fall Play: Shakespear in Love: 10/16-10/18
- District Chorus Auditions: 10/19 – **Rick Whitmire and Tina Lee**
- Senior night vs. Whitehall: 10/23
- Tri-M Inductions: 10/27
- Orchestra Fall Concert: 10/28
- Final Regular Season Away vs. Emmaus 10/30
- King Frost Parade: 10/31
- US Bands: 11/7-11/8
- Chorale and Allentown Band: 11/15
- Wonka: 11/20-11/22
- Thanksgiving Day Parade: 11/26
- Booster Party: 12/12 likely start 5pm, last year's was 5:30pm – Progressive Dinner was rescheduled, as 12/4 is the doner Thank You Gala for the Sound Shell (5:45pm-6:45pm)
- Choir Winter concert 9th & 10th: 12/9
- Choir Winter Concert 11th & 12th: 12/10
- Chorale concert at Neffs: 12/13 – **Tina Lee and Lori Davidson**
- Band Winter concert: 12/17
- ASO Holiday Pops Concert with Chorale: 12/19
- Music Semi-Formal-1/9
- Orchestra Winter Concert: 1/21
- String Jam: 2/8 – **Jean Ma and Valerie Durbin**
- Spring Show, Legally Blonde: 4/7-4/11
- Band Spring Concert: 4/29

- TIA: 4/24 – **Rick Whitmire and Christie Polito**
- Prom: 5/1
- Spring Orchestra Concert: 5/6
- Senior Caberet: 5/13
- Spring Chorus Concert: 05/20
- FOTA: 5/22 – **Lauren Jones and Iris Epstein**
- Senior Concerto: 5/25
- Arts awards: TBD
- Graduation: TBD

Other Business:
None

For the Good:
Discission regarding the pricing at concession stand and the cost of Square fees. No solid determinations, but all board members agreed that planning ahead for next year's football concession stand pricing, including credit card fees/added charges, will be necessary and should be addressed with the group as a whole before any individuals proceed with purchasing supplies so that pricing margins accounting for credit card fees can become part of the planning.
Chocolate boxes actually cost $48 at cost per box, and there are 8 cases left, so Rick and Valerie

Next meeting(s):

10/27 – Executive Boosters Meeting
11/17 – General Boosters Meeting
12/15 – Executive Boosters Meeting

Motion to adjourn meeting by Lauren Jones and seconded by Christie Polito. Unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:36pm