

ELHS Band Booster Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, May 6, 2025; 7pm

Welcome and Announcements Mr. Ian Black and President Carolina Jantac

Attendance In person: Carolina Jantac, Amy Thacker, Sydeana Davis, Angela Swary, Jennifer Lynch, Kristin Baillargeon, Jamie Bennett, Rich Bennett, Beth Allen, Doug Pawling, Adam Grunbaum, Jeri Grunbaum, Irene Claudio, Brandy Roose, Jennifer Reiter, Dani Allen, Erika Wilkins, Suzanne Seen, Libby Duncan, Kaily Palmer, Ian Black, Pamela Bert

Committee Reports

- A. Fundraising - Suzanne Seen and incoming Freshmen parents Kaily Palmer and Libby Duncan will be working together to form a Fundraising committee for the upcoming year.
- B. Treasurer Report - prepared by Jennifer Lynch and Kristin Baillargeon and posted online.
- C. The Classic - Our second meeting will be at the school on Monday, May 12th from 6:00-7:30 pm in the Chorus room. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year (happening October 4th) and we need everyone to volunteer in some capacity. We do still have three open Lead positions. Please join us if you are interested in any of the positions or if you simply wish to help in capacity.

New Business

- A. The Spring Concert will be Friday, May 9th at East Lake High School at 7pm. Call time for students is 4:30pm.
- B. Jazz in the Park will be in downtown Dunedin on Saturday, May 10th at 6pm. Bring a lawn chair.
- C. Jazz students will be attending the CJH's Young Lions Jazz Festival on Saturday, May 17th from noon to 8pm. Our students will perform from 4:00-4:45 pm. Admission is free. You are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets. This will be at Largo Central Park located at 101 Central Park Drive in Largo, FL 33771.
- D. The Band Banquet will be held Sunday, May 18th from 5-8pm for students and parents. Every person who attends requires a ticket. Tickets will be sold online and in person until Friday, May 9th. Tickets cost \$35 per person. Tickets/Wristbands can be picked up at the Spring concert. We are also hosting an "After Party" for students only (parents can leave at 8pm) from 8-10pm. The After Party will be chaperoned.
- E. On May 21st, we will host the Icebreaker event for incoming students (incoming Freshmen and transfer students) who are interested in joining the band. This will be from 6:00-8:00pm in the band room.
- F. The band will be playing at the Spring Game on Friday, May 23rd with a call time of 4:30pm. Students should wear their black dri fit marching band shirt. Incoming Freshmen are encouraged to play with the band. Students will be playing for only the first half of the game and then may either leave or stay for the rest of the game.
- G. On June 23rd we will start summer practices which will take place every Tuesday and Thursday. These are voluntary but students are strongly encouraged to attend if they are in town.

- H. As a reminder, Marching Band camp runs for the last two weeks of July, Monday through Friday from 9am to 6pm. All students are expected to attend.
- I. The new booster board elections were held. Amy Thacker wrote the names of each elected board position on the white board. For President, we had two candidates, Carolina Jantac and Rich Bennett; for Vice President we had only one candidate, Angie Swary; for AP Treasurer we had only one candidate, Adam Grunbaum; for AR Treasurer we had only one candidate, Jennifer Lynch; for Secretary we had only one candidate, Jeri Grunbaum; for Communications we had only one candidate, Jennifer Reiter; and for Concessions Chair we had only one candidate, Doug Pawling. Voting took place by secret ballot. Mr. Black and Mrs. Bert (who did not vote) counted the ballots. There were 18 people who voted. The results were as follows: Carolina Jantac, President. All other positions were unanimously voted as yes. The new booster board will take over beginning July 1st.

#### Mr. Black Announcements

- A. We are in the planning stages of a Spring trip for 2026 for all performing arts students. It will be the week of April 17th, 3 nights/4 days. It is an adjudicated event called the Smoky Mountain Music Festival in Gatlinburg, TN. This will be through the Bob Rogers travel company.
- B. Thank you to all the parents who support and encourage their students in music.

Adjournment Carolina Jantac made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Kristin Baillargeon seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm.

Reminder: The band's website has been updated and has valuable information on events, important dates, and volunteer opportunities. The band's calendar is updated regularly and the Sign Up Genius can also be accessed there. Remember that students can earn Bright Futures hours for volunteer work. Please visit [www.eastlakeband.com](http://www.eastlakeband.com). We also encourage you to download and use the Band App (available for iPhone and Android).