

EAST LAKE HIGH SCHOOL  
Band Booster General Meeting Minutes  
August 13, 2024; 7pm

**Welcome and Announcements** President Carolina Jantac

**Attendance** There were 19 members present in addition to members online in the Zoom meeting.

**Treasurer Report** Budget Update - presented by Kristin Baillargeon. 26% of our budget goes to paying for instructors and staff for band camp, practices, games and performances. These instructors add to the educational and musical quality of our band students. This is just one of the many categories of expenses that Booster must fund because the county does not. Our budget is posted online monthly.

**Committee Reports**

1. Fundraising Update
  - a. 99 Pledges will run for two weeks. This fundraiser has a very low cost of 2% and benefits the entire band and guard.
  - b. Fundraising Chair needed
2. The Classic Update - Our biggest fundraiser of the year will be held Saturday, October 5, 2024. We currently have ten bands signed up. The next Classic meeting will be Thursday, August 15th at 6:30pm. The Sign Up Genius has been posted. Please take a look and find a shift (or two) that works for you. We will also need pop up tents, coolers of ice, baked goods for the bake sale, folding tables, wagons and carts, and food donations for the Judges' room. Family members (parents, grandparents, aunts, etc) can volunteer with a Level 1 status. To handle money, you must be a Level 2 volunteer. To become a Level 1 volunteer, go to the Pinellas County Schools' website. It is free and quick to apply online.

**Mr. Black Announcements** The first home game of the year is August 16th. Students should wear black shorts, their show shirts and their blue band hat. Our Silver Sound band has been invited to perform at the Independence Day parade in Washington D.C. July 2025 and we have been approved by the county to attend. This is an exciting opportunity for our band students. The estimated cost of this trip will be \$1200 per student.

**New Business**

1. Rehearsals will continue through marching band season. Band rehearsals are Tuesday and Thursday, 5-8pm.
2. Our first home football game is this Friday, August 16th against Zephyrhills. We still need parent volunteers for the concessions stand. See Sign Up Genius for information.
3. If your student has not turned in their band forms, those need to be completed immediately. Forms can be found on the band's website: Click "Parents and Students" and then "Forms."
4. If you have not paid your Fair Share, please consider paying via check or cash. We do accept PayPal but it also costs us money in fees.
5. Our next Booster meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 3rd at 7pm.

**Adjournment** 7:57pm

Reminder: The band's website has been recently 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).