
Western Branch Orchestra Parents Association

Board Meeting

Thursday, August 13, 2026, 8:00 pm
Zoom Meeting

Attendees:

Caroline Piland	President
Sharona Stimpson	Vice President
Kimberly Hudson	Secretary/Flower Fundraiser
Dave West	Treasurer
Adam Levine	Website Coordinator
Leah Rosenberg	JMS Director
Bradley Blair	WBHS Director

Not in Attendance:

Betsy Beaman	Raffle Coordinator/Social Media Coordinator
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Meeting called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Caroline.

Presidents Report

Our monthly zoom meetings will take place on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Everything is looking good for the upcoming year. As a reminder, our purpose is to help support our orchestras. We are looking forward to a great year!

Old Business

No old business.

Treasurers Report

Starting Balance was \$11,672.34 as of July 1, 2026

Credits: Total of \$ 0.08 which was the following:

6/29/26 – \$0.08 – Interest

Debits: Total of \$2,775.12 were the following:

7/6/26 - \$256.88 – Leah Rosenberg Reimbursement JMS

7/10/26 - \$18.24 – USPS (Certified mail for scholarship checks) WBHS

7/22/26 - \$500.00 - Mechele White scholarship check (TCC) WBHS

7/15/26 - \$1000.00 - Logan Tynch scholarship check (UVA) WBHS

7/24/26 - \$1000.00 - David Ruiz scholarship check (ODU) WBHS

Outstanding Checks: None

Balance as of July 31, 2026 is \$8,897.30.

Budget discussion regarding our current balance and previous spending. If we continue down the road as we have been, we will run out of funds within the next couple of years. We would like to do more, but would need to bring in more to do so. For example, we only covered \$125 for field trips last year. Everyone was challenged to brainstorm some ideas of how we could bring in more funds. Sharona mentioned possible restaurant fundraisers (Red Robin manager gave info at Spring concert). She will reach out for more information.

The motion to accept the Treasurer Report was approved first by Sharona and second by Leah, unanimously approved by all at 8:14 p.m.

Flower Fundraiser

Kim is working preparations for the fall fundraiser. Discussed the sale date of Saturday, October 10, 2026 if we keep on track with what we did last year. She has been in contact with the new liaison at Bennett's Creek regarding flower varieties and prices, but is awaiting a response. She will reach out to Betsy about creating a flyer to be shared on social media to help promote the sale.

Motion made to increase price from \$5 to \$6 per plant was approved first by Dave and second by Bradley, unanimously approved at 8:18 p.m.

Raffle/Social Media Coordinator

Betsy Beamon is currently both the Raffle and Social Media Coordinator. If you need anything, do not hesitate to reach out to her.

Website Coordinator

Adam Levine is our new website coordinator. We can cut our the godaddy website that we are paying for and change to a simple domain (\$15 est. year) which will save us approximately \$100s per year. He is going to reach out to godaddy after this meeting to get the process started.

Directors Report

-Ms. Rosenberg – JMS

No calendar yet, still waiting on other events schedules to coordinate. Plans to do spirit wear again this year and has reached out to her contact, new shirt/hoodie that will bring in a bit more per item. Confirmed that we used to do restaurant fundraiser nights pre-covid.

-Mr. Blair - WBHS

Concert dates have been scheduled- Halloween concert Tuesday, 10/27/26; Winter concert Tuesday, 12/15/26; Spring Concert Tuesday, 6/1/26. He has reached out to Spirit Halloween for sponsorship- \$ or products, whatever they are willing to contribute. The Spring Walt Disney World trip has been approved with a departure date of Thursday, 3/25/26, and return of Monday, 3/29/26. No competition while on the trip; instead the group will go to a professional studio to sight read out of book along with a movie and will get a recording of their performance. Discussed possibilities for spirit wear- retro designs, tour shirt, etc. He will talk with the students when they return to school for ideas/input.

New Business

Caroline's husband is working on venmo or another option to take card payments at raffle. We will probably need to coordinate more volunteer coverage at the raffle table to cover the different payment options/help with verifying winner. Suggestion given to sell products/orchestra swag to at the raffle table for the family/friends.

Next Meeting: **Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 7:30 p.m.** via zoom.

Meeting concluded at 8:29p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Hudson