

February 2026 Cascade Band Booster Minutes

Meeting Date: February 17th, 2026

Meeting Time: 5:30pm

Meeting Location: Cascade High School Band Room

Proceedings:

Meeting was called to order by Leteta Toney.

- Motion was made and seconded to approve and waive the reading minutes from the November meeting.
- Minutes and waiving the reading of the minutes were approved.
- Amy needs event information for the Jazz Auction and Dinner so promotional materials can be created and distributed.

President's Report was given by Leteta Toney.

- Leteta has been contacted by the Dominos rep again about doing that fundraiser.
- Planning for auction items will begin immediately, as many companies require early requests for donations.
- Amy suggested students possibly going to local businesses to request donations (similar to how FFA conducts their auction fundraising).
- This would reduce pressure on parents, increase student involvement, potentially bring in new donors.
- This idea was positively received.

Band Mom Report was given by Mandi Heath.

- Discussed dinner plan for the Jazz Dinner and Auction.
- Suggest potatoes again since they went over well last year.
- The menu decided was potatoes, pulled pork, smoked chicken, smoked turkey,, baked beans, and salad. The students will supply desserts.
- We will divide the potatoes out to everyone to bring back in coolers like last year.
- Dawn will cook the baked beans and will not make as much as last year.
- The Band Banquet location was discussed. The cafeteria will work again this year, but we will need to provide options for folks to have seats with backs.
- Some older folks said it was uncomfortable to sit at the cafeteria tables.
- Band Banquet date is May 7th, 2026.
- Need to plan for around 300 people.

Vice President's Report was given by Natasha Whitehead.

- She condensed all the drinks to one refrigerator at the concessions.
- The ice machine was beeping and could tell it wasn't working. Messaged Daniel and asked him about it. Went back to check and it wasn't beeping anymore but also didn't seem to be working. Waiting to hear back on that.

- Senior banners are still hanging up over at the football field. Amy will go and collect them all and bring to the band room to disperse.

Fundraiser Report was given by Kevin Nerren.

- Domino's Cards. They are offering us \$10 per card instead of the \$5 per card like last year.
- We need one other fundraiser to go with it.
- Leteta mentioned the Fort Smith Popcorn fundraiser is online based and would be easy. \$14 per bag and a lot of different flavors. We receive 50% of the proceeds.
- Popcorn and Pizza it is! Will begin March 23rd and go through Spring Break with turn in after Spring Break. Two weeks duration.

Uniform Mom Report was given by Dawn Kilpatrick.

- Will have the uniforms ready to buy for those that wanted to.
- Haven't found the black ties. Mr. Lucich will make sure to let the boys know they can't forget their black ties.

Pit, Props, & Trailers Report was given by Mark Kilpatrick.

- Will we need to leave access for banquet decorations in the shed? Yes will need access ahead of banquet to assess what supplies we had.
- We need to have pictures available for sponsors that we promised.
- Yard signs? We never decided on a design.
- Leteta said she will reach out to the Jeffersons to head up making sure that every sponsor gets what they were promised.
- Austin mentioned Amy could help create yard sign.
- Amy can go through group pictures and send out options to send out to sponsors.
- Austin and Amy will work together to get yard signs ready.
- Leteta will also reach out to Kayleigh Martin about doing the newsletter.
- Checked trailers for leaks. Found several cases of water inside trailers.
- Mark asked about the plan for the band tower. Mr. Lucich said that we have \$2350 to spend toward a new tower.
- Mrs. Sorrells says they may be able to chip in some towards a new tower.
- There was discussion about the pros and cons of permanent vs mobile tower. There was also discussion of changing the way the field faces in order to accommodate the band tower.
- Was also discussed getting a taller band tower that is 25 or 30 feet tall. This would be beneficial to Mr. Lucich for drill and sound. Portable tower seems to be best idea. Decision needs to be made by Spring Break.
- Mentioned the trailers need a change. The orange color is now pink. Was suggested to strip the two white trailers and paint them black. Add the logo like the other one.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the financial report.

Approved the financial report.

Band Director's Report was given by Mr. Lucich.

- Mr. Lucich registered us for BOA Nashville on October 31st. There have been 46 bands registered and they only take 32.
- They may do a 2-day regional or they may do a drawing for the 32 bands. We are waiting to see what happens to know where we will end up.
- October 17th is Austin Peay and we will probably go to that competition. We will also probably go to the Siegel Competition.

Other Business

- Leteta would like to voluntold the kids to gather to go out and ask businesses for donations for the Jazz Dinner and Auction.
- We can align that with the fundraiser time and Spring Break.
- Motion and seconded. Approved.

Meeting was adjourned by Leteta Toney.

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, March 17th at 5:30pm** in the Cascade Band Room.

Upcoming Events:

Friday, April 24th - Jazz Dinner and Silent Auction

Thursday, May 7th - Band Banquet