

Dow High Music Booster Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2025

5:45 pm-Dow High Orchestra Room

Members Present: Matt Hansen, Sahuan Barbeau, Mark Stachowiak, Linda Stachowiak, Sherry Swier, Byron Bills, Alan Mead, Amy Larr, Christy English, Lizhu Lin (Lisa), Sarah Haskett, Marcia Wiseman, Toko Togashi, Connie Gavin, Steve DeRees, Brandon Haskett

DHMB Mission Statement

Dow High School Music Booster Club supports the quality of music education at Dow High School by providing both human and financial resources beyond those supported by Midland Public Schools. The membership will volunteer time and talent to help host music events and raise necessary funds to acquire music equipment and supplies, and provide scholarship funding for students to participate in musical development.

Agenda Items	Notes or Information
Call to Order and Welcome: Matt Hansen	Call to order at 5:47 pm Welcome to the meeting, DHMB Mission Statement, and introductions
Review and Approve January 2025 Meeting Minutes: Linda Stachowiak	Motion to approve the January meeting Minutes By: Amy Larry second by: Sherry Swier Motion Passes
Review and Approve March 2025 Treasurer's Report: Mark Stachowiak	Motion to approve the March Treasurer's Report By: Amy Larry Second by: Sarah Haskett Motion Passes Budget/Expenditures Update Renfair proceeds \$4,726 Fruit Sale not finalized yet
Business Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Capital Project Update – Shauna Barbeau<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ No report at this time.• Fruit Sale – Heather Miller<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ (Lisa)-Next year will update order form for more clear directions on inputting correct student names for pickup, credit for sales, etc. There was a lot of effort needed this year to clarify these fields with customers.• Jazz and More – Angela Kalcec-emailed report:

	<p>Everything is moving smoothly as we prepare for Jazz & More! Our social media posts are scheduled and will continue to promote the event leading up to the big night. For email communication, we will reach out to parents once in March, with additional reminders sent after the musical and Spring Break. I will coordinate with the directors to send two more emails in April to families before the event. On March 10, I will also send an email to all families who purchased tickets last year to encourage them to join us again.</p> <p>As we get closer to the event, I will need a Signup Genius for volunteers. After Spring Break, I will reach out to the directors for rosters and a list of music the groups will be performing so we can finalize the program. Overall, everything is in great shape, and we are well on our way to another successful Jazz & More event! Let me know if you have any questions or additional needs as we move forward. If you have any ideas or suggestions for changes, feel free to call or email me.</p> <p>Are we going to have an opportunity to have guests donate the evening of the performance? Square QR code or cash?</p>
Director Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Band- Steve DeRees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ UofM symphony coming May 9th. They will be doing a morning clinic with the 2 symphonic bands, followed by a rehearsal, then a 11:00am concert. ○ Tickets will be available for family to view the concert in the Dow High gym- link to come from UofM. Band kids will get out of class for the concert/clinic. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Will need some volunteers for a lunch service for the college kids and some of the kids to network ■ 50-60 college kids + 24 high school kids ■ Byron Bills will work with Steve to coordinate the meal for this day. ○ Green Band got a 2 in sight reading but overall 1s ○ Gold Band and Symphonic Bands also got 1s ○ Some discussion around the need for additional communication to parents around proper etiquette for festival- how can we communicate this to parents? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Pre-festival handout, announcements ● Choir- Adam Gardner-Northrup <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chamber singers got a perfect score 120/120 for Festival ○ Concert Choir got a 1 ● Orchestra- Amanda Thoms

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Both orchestras got 1s for Festival
Other Items & To Do Items	<p>Next meeting- Tuesday, April 8th 6:00 pm</p> <p>Scott Cochran- offered a few words of gratitude to Music Boosters for our support to the music programs at Dow High.</p>
Adjourn: Matt Hansen	<p>Motion to adjourn the meeting by Amy Larry</p> <p>Second by: Christy English</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 6:27 pm</p>