

1. Parliamentarian Tony Riccobono called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.
2. President Dave Yasutake thanked everyone who helped out with the car wash fundraiser in August; the booster club made about \$800 from the event. The booster club has a need for a car wash coordinator to help plan and manage more car wash fundraisers. If you are interested please contact Dave (email [boosterpres@ehsbandfamily.org](mailto:boosterpres@ehsbandfamily.org)).
3. September 20<sup>th</sup> is the first EHS Band booster club dine-out fundraiser. It will be at Souplantation in Costa Mesa from 5 – 8 p.m.; please bring the flyer (look for it in an upcoming email or click [here](#)) and enjoy dinner with family and friends and the booster club will earn 20% of your total bill. This is an easy and fun fundraiser. The booster club plans to have one dine-out fundraiser each month.
4. Treasurer Jeff Ritchey will be depositing the band registration checks this week. He is working on the first treasurer reports and will have them available at the next booster meeting. Since payments to the booster club are now considered donations, the booster club will be sending out statements twice a year, which may be used for your tax purposes.
5. Tony Riccobono introduced the booster board members in attendance, including:
  - a. Dave Yasutake, President
  - b. Jeff Ritchey, Treasurer
  - c. Tony Riccobono, Parliamentarian
  - d. Mike Langmack, VP Color Guard
  - e. Chris Metzger, VP Drum Line

Board members unable to attend the meeting were Sandy Kuhn, VP Marching Band, Anne Jenkins, VP Concert Band and Maria Toner, Secretary. Dr. Tim Bengel, Band Director, was also introduced.

6. Please keep track of the number of hours that you volunteer for the band and booster club; Edison High School uses this information as part of the California Distinguished Schools report. There will be a sign-in sheet each month at the booster club meetings on which you can list your volunteer hours.
7. If you can sell more Community Cards (a booster club fundraiser) please contact [Tony Riccobono](#) or [Pacific Wang](#).
8. The EHS band needs sponsors who will make a cash donation in return for recognition from the booster club throughout the year. The booster club needs a sponsorship coordinator to seek out sponsors; please contact Tony or Dave if you can be the sponsorship chairperson. In addition, if you own a company or

- personally know of a company, that is willing to be a sponsor, please let Tony or Dave know. It is suggested that the minimum sponsorship donation is \$500.00.
9. If you have not completed an EHS band volunteer form, please do so; we need help in many ways from every family. There are plenty of ways to help out.
  10. Please check the band website regularly: [www.ehsbandfamily.org](http://www.ehsbandfamily.org); changes to the schedules are updated regularly on the [calendar](#) section. There is also a section on how to use [PayPal](#) to make your donations to the booster club.
  11. If you are not receiving regular emails from the booster club, please let Tony Riccobono know so that you can be added to the email distribution list. Tony's email address is [parliamentarian@ehsbandfamily.org](mailto:parliamentarian@ehsbandfamily.org).
  12. There are no longer student accounts with regards to payments to the booster club. However the booster club will be recognizing students and families who make donations, possibly with donations-in-kind. People who raise money for the booster club by working Bingo and certain other fundraisers will also be similarly recognized.
  13. EHS will be hosting the SCJA state band championship again this year. It will be at Huntington Beach High School on 11-19-11 and we need all band families to participate. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and there is plenty to do, so please mark your calendars now. Even if you cannot be at the event that day due to work or similar obligations, we need help planning the event, making signs, shopping, etc. If all goes according to plan, EHS band will be in the competition this year, which is another reason to be there that day! (Please pray for good weather!). All band and color guard students are required to volunteer at the event when not performing.
  14. Elizabeth Staller, the band Bingo representative, explained that a Bingo orientation meeting is held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month (although during the month of September it will be held on the 28<sup>th</sup>) at 7 pm in the cafeteria for about 15 minutes. This meeting is required if you are going to work Bingo. If you attend that orientation meeting, please let Elizabeth or Tony know so that you may be put on the Bingo schedule (Elizabeth's email address is [estallar@marketing-et-al.com](mailto:estallar@marketing-et-al.com)).
  15. Dr. Bengé thanked everyone for attending the booster club meeting. He presented the names and brief backgrounds/credentials of the new band coaches, including:
    - a. Emily Fetcho, Assistant Band Coach
    - b. Aaron Class, Percussion Coach
    - c. Yosuke Miyoshi, Brass Coach
    - d. Katie Cox, Flute Coach
    - e. Josh Medoy, Assistant Color Guard Coach

16. Dr. Bengé is happy with the enthusiasm and commitment of the students this year and noted that they have been working very hard.
17. There is a football game on Thursday, September 8 and the band will be performing. Students are to arrive at HBHS at 5:30; after collecting instruments, etc., they will enter the stadium at about 6:40 pm and will sit together in the stadium. Sometime during the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of the game, they will leave the stands and enter the field to perform during half time. Students should wear black socks and a white t-shirt under their uniforms. Please email Sandy Kuhn if you can help with chaperoning, loading and unloading equipment, etc. (Sandy's email address is [marchingbandvp@ehsbandfamily.org](mailto:marchingbandvp@ehsbandfamily.org)).
18. Dr. Bengé pointed out that EHS department coordinators have designated EHS as a triple A school, emphasizing Academics, Arts and Athletics. You will see this on the website, etc., where there will be a page dedicated to the Arts. If you have a good picture of the band, please forward it to Dr. Bengé so that it can be put on the EHS website Arts page.
19. Dr. Bengé noted that there is one big change regarding Championship qualifications this year. In the past, a band had to win a regional championship to qualify for the state championship. This year, a band must attend 2 regional championships and the two scores are combined and the top 10 combined scores will go to the state championship. The two regional championships will be held the last week of October and the first week of November. Because bands are classified by the number of performers, EHS band is now in the 2A classification and the regional qualifier will be held in San Bernardino (3A regional championship will be at HBHS).
20. Saturday, September 10 is the first stadium rehearsal from 9 am – 1 pm. It is required for all band and color guard members.
21. There are no out of town, overnight trips planned for this school year; these are usually scheduled every other year, so there may be some scheduled during the next school year. There is a chance that something may be considered for Jazz Ensemble.
22. Tony Riccobono adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.