

# Avon Grove Instrumental Music Boosters



Parent and General Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the AG High School Cafeteria

<https://www.agimba.org/>

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## Attendees

Officers: Wendy Feller, Tascha Peterman, Matthew Miller, Shailendra Pendse, Susan Burns

Directors: Michael Davino, Kyle Christy

Members: Natalie Campbell, Laura Chrobak, Jason Feller, Shannon Giordano, Katy Griffith, Michael Hill, Bill Maley, Heather Miller, Eric Peterman, Bob Ruddy

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## Call to Order

President Wendy Feller called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

## Minutes

February meeting minutes were presented for review. No changes were noted.

## Director's and District Reports

### High School Athletics and Student Activities Director Report/Q&A

Kyle Christy - Budget for music programs - Kyle was tasked with gathering information from nearby districts to help in the evaluation of how music programs are funded and what may be funded in AG - Oxford, Kennett, and Unionville. The district is reviewing the collected information to inform determinations about possible funding. Katy asked if everyone in the District Office is aware of our Indoor Percussion program. She had the impression they were not after a recent interaction.

## Music Department Directors Reports

- Michael Davino, AGHS Band Director
  - The concert band trip to WCU is this Thursday. Specifics will be sent to chaperones tomorrow. Need to be here at 7 AM and will be back a little after school ends. Pizzas have been ordered.
  - Jazz band is preparing for jazz night
  - Marching band schedule is now posted. Open class nationals are at MetLife. We will block the weekend for now pending scheduling information. Commitment night is May 19th.
- Amanda Wilcox, AGHS Choral Director:
  - No report
- Krista Umile, Orchestra Director:
  - No report Mr. Davino shared that strings recital show is tomorrow
- Michelle Adcock, **Color Guard** Director:
  - Things are moving along well as we hit "mid-season." This week, on March 15, both the MS and HS color guards will perform at the Unionville competition. The MS will perform at 3pm, the HS time is TBD (I'll know by Wednesday). Both teams will have COMPLETE shows with costumes and everything!
  - Sunday, March 16 we will be hosting AMP Winterguard for a clinic at AGHS. They will be there from 9am - 3pm. Clinic activities are available for all CG members,

as well as the opportunity to watch their rehearsal. See the Weekly Notes for time breakdowns.

- Next weekend 3/22 is our March Weekend Off
- Other dates coming up:
  - March 29 Perkiomen Valley Show for both MS and HS
  - April 7 CG Friends and Family Night for HS, MS, and AGI CG
  - April 12<sup>th</sup> MAIN championships for MS
  - April 13<sup>th</sup> MAIN championships for HS
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- Joshua Huynh - Indoor Percussion
  - No report

## **Treasurer's Report**

### **March Financial Report**

February total monthly expenses - \$9,283.34

- \$1,172.24 – Santa Breakfast Food Services
- \$2,800.00 – Cashboxes for Indoor Guard Show
- \$2,800.00 – Cashboxes for Indoor Percussion Show
- \$1693.86 – 2 Square POS registers

February total monthly Income - \$10,327.38

- \$2,490.49 – Indoor Guard Show Square Deposit
- \$6,562.90 – Indoor Guard Show Bank Deposit

### **Fundraising events:**

#### Indoor Guard Show

- Gross sales – \$5,983.00
- Expenses – (\$438.98)
- Net profit – \$5,544.02

#### Indoor Percussion Show

- Gross sales – \$7,505.00
- Expenses – (\$2,300.00)
- Net Profit – \$5205.00

### **Indoor Percussion payments:**

- 1 Unpaid – on a payment plan

### **Truck Status:**

- Operational though still waiting on correct climate control unit
- U-Haul reserved for all Indoor Guard/Percussion duplication days

### **Taxes:**

- Fiscal Year 2023-24 Taxes are completed
- Residual AGSD Annual filling needs to be completed

## Old Business

- **Indoor Guard Show Recap - 2/15/25** Add shout outs
  - Overall went well. Discussed MS chaperone needs.
  - Things that could have gone more smoothly:
    - the doors were not unlocked when they should have been,
    - the vertical divider bars in the doors weren't removed as requested for both Guard and Percussion. The facilities staff present did not have the key to remove one of the bars, it is keyed differently than the rest. Some were difficult to remove, either because the key didn't easily turn or because pressure needed to be applied to the top of the door jamb to remove the bar.
    - The auxiliary gym has some general maintenance needs. One color guard performer injured her foot on a loose screw in the threshold and there were other loose screws in the door jamb as well.
  - Kitchen staff - especially Judy - were phenomenal.
  - Kyle Christy requested a summary of the concerns and what was requested in the work order to address.
  - Jason would like to readdress what time concessions open for the color guard show. Sales were slow in the beginning and impacted overall costs with kitchen staff and need for volunteers.
- **Indoor Percussion Home Show Recap - 3/1/25**
  - Many of the groups showed up early and it impacted availability of student volunteers. Color guard does a time of entry. Next year Mr. Davino suggested a google form with time to arrive, how many people (students, chaperones, staff)
  - The bars weren't removed from doors. One bar in the gym has a different key, so it could not be unlocked and we had to redirect the flow of traffic.
  - Addressed some food prep and temperature lessons learned between shows to keep the food fresher.
  - There was a lot of good feedback from the percussion concessions.
  - Notes on timing of first group and when they started eating. Most groups didn't start eating until 2 hours after check-in
  - Thanks to Laura for the Costco run and to Matt for the pizza run. The POS was very helpful
  - Brian comes in and helps keep everyone calm and helps run things
  - Sound concerns - two neighbors were not happy with the noise as a result from the percussion show. Dawn to dusk we are free to play music outside in the parking lots as long as it is projected toward the building. Speakers cannot face away from the building. We can give direction about staying close to the building. Scheduling will be helpful with ensuring we don't have too many groups practicing outside at the same time. There was a suggestion to send some of the groups over to the front parking lot to play - section off where volunteers park. If they part on the west side of the parking lot and leave the east side open, groups can use that side.
  - Security/Contract Discussion for Indoor Shows - this event is considered an AGIMBA event because we use it as a fundraiser. At football games, the district

runs the ticket booth and collects the money, therefore they are responsible for security. This event is run by us and we collect the money, so we would be responsible. Moving forward AGIMBA will need to sign the contracts with MAIN and MAPS if we were to keep this as a fundraiser. In this case we would be responsible for security. Is AGIMBA willing to be the signing entity and responsible for security planning, knowing all the exits and what the expectations are. Evacuation routes are or should be posted in the gym. Security provided by the district is more of a visual presence and someone who would call 911. We should at least have something as simple as a few steps that are shared with each volunteer. Kyle will request a copy of the play from DO. We will review financials and determine next steps.

- **New POC terminals** - feedback was positive - they were faster and more intuitive and made things easier for the volunteer cashiers.
- **Jazz Night Updates** - Mike and Shannon will be meeting to discuss plans. HS and MS jazz bands performing. This does mean there will be a lot of people, so will need to recalibrate. 5/2 - more details to come. If we use the cafeteria we will need to have a cafeteria staff member present.
- The bylaws are posted on the website here: [forms-and-info.html](https://forms-and-info.html).

### New Business

- **Golf Cart** - do we as AGIMBA feel that we want/need a golf cart. Consider storage, maintenance, and logistics. The storage space where it should be charged is the AGIMBA shed, but it cannot go in there because there is no room and concrete pad. There was no opposition to selling it.
- **Storage - trailer and shed** - The district is aware of issues related to our shed and there are discussions about moving and improving the shed. Kyle is working on this with facilities. No timeline now. We will discuss this next meeting.
- **Directors Meeting in April** - if you have topics for the EC to discuss, email Wendy
- **Marching Band Season Summer Schedule** (tentative) - on schoology. Josh and Michelle requested that there be some June rehearsals for guard and percussion. Football games and competitions are posted. Mike held a banquet date - 11/19, a Wednesday, but he will look more closely at the school schedule and confirm.
- A concern was raised about no staff members coming back to the school with the percussion group this past Saturday. Katy would like to talk more with Mr. Davino about suggestions for improvement. This will be addressed. Katy didn't have a med bag, there are no medical forms. There is a requirement that a staff person rides the bus.

### Committee Reports

- **SCRIP/RaiseRight**

**SCRIP REPORT for orders placed between 1/1/2025 and 1/31/2025.**

- 10 families placed orders during this time period.
- Total earned in Scrip rebates was \$144.65.
- Boosters made \$72.32. \$72.33 went to student accounts.
- Total income for Fiscal Year (July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025): \$2,333.54, which is split between Boosters and student accounts.
- Total expenses for Fiscal Year: \$22.00 shipping/\$0 supplies (comes off booster rebates earned)

- Can we open this up to more people to sign up without the full agreement regarding a specific student, then AGIMBA will get 100% of proceeds. There was no opposition to opening it up. Matt wants to make sure we have clear routing of where the money is going. Eric will write up something to send to the EC to review.
- **Policy Committee -**
- **Indoor Banquet Committee -** Indoor show banquet will be 4/23 or 4/24. We are looking to do this at AGI. One all inclusive banquet and will revisit after the inaugural banquet. Can we do another pin for the kids - percussion/guard related. Do we have water leftover from other events that we can use for these events and some in the band room? There may be other drinks that will expire. We will have selfie stations with each backdrop. Art club at AGI could help with the props per Katy Griffith. Stacy Hallman runs the art club there.
- **Spritwear -** Natalie spoke with Atlantic Sportswear - have access to all items, we would get \$4 for each time offered. Kyle says they are easy to deal with and the items are of quality. Madhouse, Tuttle - Natalie is also getting information from them.

**Next Meeting:** Monday, April 14, 2025 at 6:30 PM in the AGHS Cafeteria - meetings are open to all families with students participating in music programs.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:16 pm

**Upcoming Important Dates:** (also on [website](#))

- March 11 - Strings Recital Show
- March 21 - Tri-M Coffeehouse
- April 4 - Percussion Friends and Family Night
- April 7 - Indoor Guard Friends and Family Night at AGHS
- April 11 - 13 Spring Musical (pit)
- April 14 - AGIMBA General Meeting
- May 2 - Jazz Night
- May 6 - Spring Orchestra Concert
- May 7 - Spring Band Concert
- May 12 - AGIMBA General Meeting
- May 20 - Spring Choral Concert
- June 3 - AGHS Graduation
- June 9 - AGIMBA General Meeting

| AGIMBA Executive Committee |                   |                           |
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