



S.I.M.B. GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

January 9, 2022

6:00 PM

Strongsville High School Room # 415

- **CALL TO ORDER** AJ Scott, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and welcomed all SIMB Members and thanked them for attending.
- **ROLL CALL** Diana Ragan, Secretary, called the roll & thanked others for attending.

X	Andy Hire, Director	X	Scott Carmen, Vice president	X	Jennifer Bubb, Concert Uniforms		OPEN, Marching Uniforms
X	Brian King, Director	X	Ron Uline, Treasurer		Jennifer Magel, Concert Uniforms	X	Vicki Maloney, Membership
	Christopher Chidsey, SMS Band Director	X	Diana Ragan, Secretary	X	Jennie Kelley- Crosby, Fundraising		Maria Dinkins, Publicity/ Newsletter Committee
	Kim Taylor, SMS Orchestra Director	X	Florence Zabarsky, Concessions		Tracy Salvo, Fundraising		OPEN, Publicity Flyers
	Mrs. Roblee, SMS Band		OPEN, Co-Concessions		Laurel Maher, Hospitality		Cathy Sikon, Donut Sales
	Additional Music Staff		Darlene Wilke, Concessions- Purchasing	X	Kim Novoblisky, Hospitality	X	Jen Magel, Treasurer's Assistant
X	AJ Scott, President/Co- Chaperone		Kim Speck, Co-Chaperone		Laurie Uline, Marching Uniforms		OPEN, Webmaster

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES Ron Uline and Florence Zabarsky mentioned that there was an error in the minutes, specifically the date of the next meeting. Diana Ragan agreed to make that change. Vicki Maloney made a motion to approve the amended minutes.

Florence Zabarsky seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Diana Ragan will update the minutes on the SIMB website. The minutes are posted here:

<https://shs.strongnet.org/student-life/music/strongsville-instrumental-music-boosters-simb/meeting-dates-agendas-minutes>

- **EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

- B. PRESIDENT'S REPORT** No report.

- C. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT** No report.

- D. TREASURER'S REPORT** Ron Uline, Treasurer, shared that the accounts are reconciled through the end of 2022. SIMB has \$71,705 in checking and \$32,151 in savings. We also have \$3,000 in a scholarship fund. Since tax time is approaching, Ron will issue a 1099 to all clinicians used during 2022. He also reminded the committee Chair people that he does need receipts attached to check requests and/or deposits. The chairperson can take a picture and text it to Ron so he can enter it into QuickBooks. Ron also wanted to discuss at a separate date with the Membership, Concessions and Fundraising Chair people about toolkit and square deposits into the SIMB checking account. He would like to set up specific procedures with the Chair people.

- E. SECRETARY'S REPORT** We are instituting a new policy for volunteers. We are requesting that all volunteers, when entering the SIMB meeting, document the number of hours he/she has donated to SIMB in the previous month. Diana Ragan shared & passed around the form. Later, SIMB will present these hours to the SCS School Board during a School Board meeting.

- **DIRECTOR'S REPORTS**

- A. SHS ORCHESTRA REPORT** Mr. Hire thanked SIMB for all the assistance, help and support he and the music programs received during the winter concerts. He appreciated the beautiful poinsettias (with a thank you to Vicki Maloney and Laurie Uline) and chaperones (with a thank you to AJ Scott and her team). February is when solo and ensemble contests occur. SHS is the overflow OMEA Northeast Region site for the State Orchestra Contest on Friday, February 24. We will need volunteers from 3 PM-11 PM. There are adult-only volunteer jobs, but there will also be some volunteer positions for students. AJ Scott and Vicki Maloney will oversee/chair the OMEA Orchestra contest on February 24 and will send out sign-ups for volunteers. Due to 8 out-of-region orchestras requesting to transfer to the Northeast Region site, OMEA asked Mr. Hire if we wanted to serve as an overflow site on Saturday, February 25. This would entail breakfast and lunch for the judges. SIMB stated that we are not interested in being the overflow site on Saturday, February 25. Mr. Hire also shared that the All-City Orchestra Festival is coming up in March.

- B. SHS BAND REPORT** Mr. King stated that this is a relatively quiet time for the Bands, as they prepare for the OMEA contests. Wind Ensemble will practice on Wednesday, January 18 in the evening. Symphonic Band will practice on Wednesday, January 24 in the evening. The Directors will travel to the OMEA conference in Columbus, February 2-4. OMEA Solo & Ensemble contest is February 11 in N. Ridgeville. Wind Ensemble was invited to the University of Akron's High School Band Clinic Festival at EJ Thomas Hall on Monday, February 13. More details to come. Jazz Band is in full swing. Pep Band is also in full swing. Baldwin Wallace has invited SHS Pep Band to an open invitation Pep Band

Day on January 28. All the SHS music programs have a Baldwin Wallace student teacher (Mr. King, Mr. Hire & Ms. Eicher), who are wonderful additions to the program.

C. SMS ORCHESTRA REPORT No report.

D. SMS BAND REPORT This is also a quiet time for the SMS Band. April is their next concert. Some students are working on solo/ensemble pieces. The SMS Band & Orchestra Directors are working with SMS to create some additional storage/shelving in their music room. Thank you to SMS for installing the cupboards.

- **OLD BUSINESS**

A. Amazon Smiles SIMB earned \$37.50 from Amazon Smiles, though it is unclear as to when this money was earned.

B. Trailer Paint/Wrap Ad Hoc Committee Additional information still needed, planning over the winter.

C. Chair Positions We will have several open Chair positions after the 2023 school year ends. SIMB needs a Co-Marching Band Uniform Chair, a Publicity Chair, Co-Concessions Chair, Webmaster Chair & Co-Concert Uniform Chair.

D. Any Chairperson who does not plan to continue their position after 2022-23 Year, please let AJ Scott know ASAP at simbpresident@gmail.com.

E. Recruitment AJ Scott introduced Karen and Bob Kolk. Karen agreed to be the SHS/SMS Liaison, provided more specific direction is given on the position. Bob Kolk agreed to be the Publicity Flyer Chair & the Co-Concessions Chair. Thank you to both Karen and Bob!

F. Webmaster Bob Kolk also agreed to be the webmaster. He will communicate with the Color Guard director, as she has created a nice SHS Marching Band website. SIMB will need to determine exact direction for this site.

G. Dairy Queen Recognition Colin Sikon said he would take care of this and purchase a plaque for them.

H. Band Website Ad Hoc Committee This is on pause at the present time as SIMB will determine whether it is good to create a new website or to better utilize the existing Toolkit website.

I. City Club Donation Thank you to Andrea Putrino & City Club for the \$1,000 donation. Florence Zabarsky will send the thank you note to them. Jennie Crosby will get Florence the address of the City Club.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

- **NOMINATION COMMITTEE**

A. Formation of Committee Members are needed for nominations for Vice President and Treasurer. Anyone interested, please contact AJ Scott at simbpresident@gmail.com.

B. VP and Treasurer Positions open in 2023. For either of these Executive Board positions (VP or Treasurer), please contact Mr. Hire at ahire@scsmustangs.org.

- **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. CONCERT UNIFORMS No report.

B. CHAPERONE AJ Scott requested the times, dates and details of the University of Akron and the BW events, so the Chaperone Committee can find proper staffing.

C. HOSPITALITY No report.

D. PUBLICITY/WEB Bob Kolk agreed to work on Publicity/Flyers.

E. MARCHING BAND UNIFORMS A co-chair is still needed. The dry-cleaning company will arrive at noon on January 12. Laurie is requesting help at 11 AM to put the uniforms on racks and help load into the dry cleaner's van. If interested in assisting, please contact

Laurie. Jen Bubb and Vicki Maloney said they may be able to help Laurie and will reach out to her directly.

F. MEMBERSHIP Vicki Maloney stated that one new member joined in December. This brings the total number of members to 148. SIMB grossed \$10,325 and net \$8,085 during the membership drive. Congratulations to Vicki!

G. NEWSLETTER/PUBLICITY No report.

H. FUNDRAISING

- a. We will be doing a Driven Coffee fundraiser in January. The SIMB logo will be on the bags of coffee & tea. They will also offer K cups for sale. She is collaborating with them on pamphlets and flyers. More info to come.
- b. Options for Wing Ding location include: The Local (where it would need to be early from 4-7 PM), Harvest Saloon (with a large spread, but no actual wings, only breaded cutlets, also requires a \$200 deposit, will offer a wristband), or Mulligans ("only" allows three drink tickets per person and cost is higher with less food offered). We will need silent auction, and raffle basket donations.
- c. Wing Ding Date and Ticket Goal: Due to spring break, the date of Saturday, April 29 was chosen. The goal is to sell 100 tickets. We would split the price of the \$35 ticket with Harvest Saloon.
- d. Donations: Jennie Crosby asked for raffle basket donations and will ask the Athletic Boosters for the use of their sideboard. Other ideas included an alcohol basket, silent auction items including: being "director" for a day, "parking spot" for a day, and reserved rows at band/orchestra concerts.
- e. Breakfast with Santa: Jennie Crosby will shoot for a Saturday morning for the 2023 date. Santas and locations are already booking up. She will give the date to Mr. Hire so he can request the use of the SHS cafeteria.

I. CONCESSIONS

- a. Concessions were run at two basketball games in the last month. The first game was on December 13th, against Lakewood. We had gross sales of \$1,241. Thank you to Linda Wosnak, Darlene Wilke, Isaac Zabarsky, and AJ Scott for volunteering.
- b. The second game was on January 6th, against Brunswick. It was a very busy evening and we had excellent gross sales of \$2,161. Thank you to Linda Wosnak, Darlene Wilke, Isaac Zabarsky, Alyssa Wosnak, Nicole Lang, Sophia Lang, and Devin Rose for volunteering. Florence Zabarsky also wanted to thank Jim Milligan and Colin Sikon for getting the new order of beverages organized and put away. Our next home game is Friday, January 27th. The Coke machine is still freezing the pop, Coca Cola has been called to come and repair the cooler.

- **PUBLIC COMMENT** A huge thank you to Karen Kolk and Bob Kolk for volunteering!
- **ADJOURNMENT** Florence Zabarsky motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jen Bubb seconded the motion. The motion passed. AJ Scott adjourned the meeting at 7:02 PM.
- **NEXT MEETING:** MONDAY, February 13, 2022, at 6:00 PM. Location TBD.

- **ADDENDUM: The next meeting date has changed, due to the University of Akron Band event, to: Monday, February 6 at 6 PM in the Music Room.**

SIMB MISSION STATEMENT:

“The purpose of the Strongsville Instrumental Music Boosters (SIMB) is to give volunteer and supplementary financial support to the instrumental music groups within the Strongsville City School system by way of organizing, supporting and sustaining the fundraising efforts of SIMB and to promote and foster interest in the music programs of the Strongsville Schools.”