

FSK INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC BOOSTERS, INC.

Secretary's Report - September 8, 2025

This meeting was conducted in-person, in the band room. These minutes are available in Google Drive in the folder "Secretary Reports/2025-2026" and at <https://fskband.com>.

Call to Order: 6:30 pm

Present: Tina & Pat Mahon, Joanie Mayle, Tim & Niki Benner, Shawna Sherrell, Eric Gabriel, Bill Duffy, Vilve Ladon, Rob Caswell, Hilary Warner

Secretary's Report: Read, Joanie made a motion to approve, Pat seconded, all approved.

Treasurer's Report: Read, Tim made a motion to approve, Pat seconded, all approved.

Financial Secretary's Report: Not available.

School Administrator's Report: Mrs. Warner informed the Boosters of Academic Night coming up on October 15. It's an opportunity for students to come to FSK and meet with several colleges in addition to learning about Career & Tech, military and more. She is contacting arts colleges so there will hopefully be some of them present for any interested instrumental music student. A Booster table will not be needed. November 4 is the end of the first quarter.

Director's Report:

- The school year has begun and we are off to a great start.
- Mr. Duffy said that funding was approved for new instruments and he's very excited about that!
- Mr. Duffy will compile a list of FARM students and notify Mr. Workman for marching band dues purposes.

Marching Band Director's Report:

- Mr. Workman was not present, however he asked Niki to ask the Boosters for a new pair of marching band shoes for a student (we did not have an available pair in the size needed). Joanie offered to purchase the shoes. Tina made a motion to purchase, Joanie seconded, all approved.

Committee Reports:

- Fundraising Committee
 - Bingo: Michele and Joanie have purchased some bags. They are trying to get all bags purchased so they can get the permit and begin selling tickets, hopefully before Christmas.
 - Eagle Cards: Cards are now available for purchase online, at all home football games or through a Booster. Collision Course is a new business added to the card this year; Tony Gerald, FSK alum, is the owner and operator.
 - Spirit Wear: Currently being sold online through Maryland Print House (MPH) until September 19. The Boosters are considering using a new company in the future because MPH has gotten more expensive this year.
 - Restaurant Fundraisers: Tim is working on getting Uncle Matty's and Outback Steakhouse for future "dine to donate" nights.
 - Craft Fair: Joanie stated that she's still looking for and accepting vendors. We currently have about 20 vendors signed up to participate. She would like to have simple foods available for purchase such as hot dogs, coffee, and doughnuts.

Old Business:

- Props: Tim gave an update on this year's marching band props. The printed screens are in and need to be put on the frames. The cactus props have been ordered and will need to be assembled when they come in. We already have a barrel that will be covered in wood grain contact paper and saloon doors have also been ordered. He's asked for helpers for this coming Thursday to help assemble props.
- The school has switched to using video announcements. Anything we would like announced should be sent to fskannouncements@live.carrollk12.org.
- The accountant is working on taxes and insurance will be filed by November 15.
- Senior Banners have been delivered for Senior Night.
- There was a great turnout for the Marching Band Parent Preview and Potluck Night.
- Tina stated that there wasn't a lot of interest for the marching band on Back-to-School Night.

New Business:

- Tina will check the first aid kit and replenish any expired or needed items.
- Marching Band:
 - The marching band will be marching in the Westminster Fallfest Parade on September 25. Candy is not needed.
 - All bus transportation to competitions and parades have been scheduled. The county allots \$2,400 for bus transportation and the Boosters are responsible for anything over that.
 - Niki has made and distributed the link for the Football Game & Competition SignUp Genius to Mr. Duffy and through SportsYou.

Fundraisers:

- Current: Eagle Cards and Trailer Ads
- Pending: Restaurant fundraisers, bingo (March 21, 2026), and craft fair (November 8, 2025).

Next Meeting: Monday, October 6, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the band room.

Good of the Organization:

- Shawna Sherrell suggested adding specific times to the events on the SignUp Genius as she feels that many parents don't want to commit to something if they don't know the exact times. Niki said she'd certainly look into it. She stated that we often don't know exactly when we will be performing at competitions until the week before, hence the "TBD" for all competitions listed. Niki will update the language on the SignUp Genius so that it's more clear.
- Rob Caswell is the manager of two Music & Arts locations in Frederick. He and his daughter, Hannah (freshman orchestra student), perform for community events and fundraisers. Rob offered to perform for future Booster events if needed and is able to help in any way.

Adjournment: 7:20 pm

Meeting Dates for 2025 - 2026

7/7/2025	8/4/2025	9/8/2025	10/6/2025	11/3/2025	12/1/2025
1/5/2026	2/2/2026	3/2/2026	4/13/2026	5/4/2026	6/1/2026