

**MEETING MINUTES FOR  
EVERGREEN PARK COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL  
MUSIC BOOSTERS**

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**I. DATE AND TIME**

Date: February 5, 2025

Time: 6:30 pm

**II. START TIME**

6:35 PM

**III. MEETING LOCATION**

Location: EPCHS Cafeteria

Evergreen Park Community High School District 231

Address: 9901 South Kedzie Avenue, Evergreen Park, Illinois 60805

**IV. CALLED TO ORDER**

By: Angel Dever (President)

**V. MEETING ATTENDEES**

- Suzie Klimowski
- Amanda Osterloh
- Norma Monjé
- Monica Cisneros
- Jackie and Mike Mahlum

**VI. OLD BUSINESS**

Angel thanked everyone for coming out. She hoped everyone had a nice holiday break. Mentioned we will be forming the scholarship committee. She stated we would be looking for 2 volunteers. Merikay said we do 5 scholarships for seniors. \$500 per scholarship totaling \$2500. She also mentioned summer scholarships for underclassmen. She mentioned we will open the scholarship applications on March 6th, the day after the March meeting. We will leave them open until April 2nd. That way we would have time to collect the scholarships and meet as a group to decide and get them to the school by May 4th. Angel announced the raffle ticket fundraiser starting March 6th to March 20th. Each student will receive a book of 10. We will go into more detail at the March meeting.

**Motion to Approve Nov 2025 Meeting Minutes**

- Amanda Osterloh
- Suzie Klimowski

### **Motion to Approve Nov 2025 Treasurer's Report**

- Amanda Osterloh
- Suzie Klimowski

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

### **Director's Reports**

#### **Mr. Curatolo**

Mr Scalf Spoke on Mr. Curatolo's behalf. Mr Scalf said that the first week of March will be the craziest week of everybody's lives. He said Mr. Curatolo apologizes for not being there. He had a schedule change last minute for the pit rehearsal. He said Mr. Curatolo appreciates everyone being here and apologizes again for not being able to make it. He states the SSC Band Festival was the first full week back from winter break. It was an all day event for the musicians. There were 9 students that were selected to participate in the honor band. They were Juliana Bosch, Sarah Torres, Adrian Buenrostro, Louise Brady, Ryan Brennan, Zion McCadd, Isaiah Matthews, Alex Francisco, and Adam Bosch. They took a full day field trip to another school in the athletic conference. They spent the day preparing Pieces of music and performing at the end of the day. Pep Band has started up. This is the first year for the pep band. He is very grateful for the support of the boosters and for them providing pizza for the students. Mr Scalf is excited to see it grow in the future. Upcoming events for the band, the Midwest Music Festival is Saturday February 28th, at Lemont HS. This is the first of the concert band competitions. Mr Curatolo is expecting a late morning call time around 11:45 A.M. The Mathletes have a competition the same day. The band will depart when the mathletes return. They are performing at 2:45pm at Lemont H.S. Solo and Ensemble is the following Saturday, March 7th, at Reavis HS. There is a \$30 accompanist fee per event. Your kid should know their accompanist's name. Cash or check only. If they drop out after Friday, they

will be responsible for the entry fee. The uniforms have been dry cleaned and are expected back on Tuesday. We need to reorganize the bibs, coats, and shakos. He does not see the need for refittings. No one has changed drastically since last marching season. He has the FALL 2025 spreadsheet he can share if necessary. Reach out to him to set up a time to organize them. He concluded with some instrument surgery that needs to happen. The tires on all the front ensemble equipment are far past gone due to normal wear and tear. He has to do some work to figure out where to pull the money from and when to replace them. He will need help late April, early May in doing that. Mr Scalf asked if there were any questions he could answer for the band side.

### **Mr. Scalf**

In terms of things that have happened for the choir department, on January 9th, the Madrigals went to DePaul University and sang at a tour stop for the university choir at Millikin University. That is where Mr. Scalf went to college if you remember that. It was the second day back from break. They did a really, really good job turning it around. They received compliments from the other high school that was performing that day. They received compliments from the university. It was really great. He thanks everybody who helped make that possible. Unaccompanied Minors is the acapella group that is up and running with rehearsals. Unaccompanied Minors started second semester. He has the rehearsal schedule up on their Google Classroom. If you would like it as a parent, you can see if you can grab it from your kid. Otherwise, he is happy to send it to you, just send him an email. Minors are rehearsing from 7-8pm on Monday nights. Madrigals are rehearsing from 8-9pm. They keep that schedule until Solo and Ensemble, March 9th, and then the Minors take the full 7-9pm slot. Upcoming events. SSC Choir festival is March 4th. That is a school day full day field trip. The choir gets to perform and watch other schools in the conference perform. Call time is 7:10 am, which is in time for zero block, so if they are a band kid, they are there anyway. That is the full choir. They will be wearing their tuxes and gowns, so if they have to find their socks and flats, now is a good time to start looking for them. That is at Reavis HS. Solo and Ensemble is March 7th. He reiterated the accompanist fee of \$30. It will be due February 20th so we have a little bit of wiggle room in case anyone is late. He forgot to mention that earlier. Our March meeting will be full of other information. He will give a few more details on solo and ensemble at that time. The kids are going to receive an event time about a week before. Make sure they get there about an hour before that time to get ready and warm up. Solo and ensemble is at Reavis, so it is not too far from here. The kids transport themselves, so make sure they dress professionally yet comfortably because it is kind of a long day for those with multiple events. If they are going to be there for multiple events, make sure they

have money for concessions. It's run by the Reavis Music Boosters so it is good to send support. He will be sending out more information as we get closer. One last event is the talent show. It is not run by our department but it is heavily participated in by our department. The talent show is March 13th at 7 p.m. Auditions are on February 17th. If your kid is interested in participating, push them to audition. A couple of quick Disney things, he sent out an email the other day with our most recent itinerary. He has to stress that there is still a chance for it to change. There are still a lot of things up in the air for the trip. We don't know the performance times for when we are down there. Performance times and or dates could change. That could affect which days we are in which parks. Mrs Kazin says we usually get that information 8 weeks out from our trip so we are coming up on the time when we will have that information for sure. Until then there is not a whole lot he can do. As soon as they get more info that is more set in stone, they will send it out to everyone. Mr Scalf also sent out a T-shirt order form for every kid and chaperone that is going with. Try to make sure it is filled out by this Sunday. The most important thing is there will be a mandatory trip meeting on Thursday, March 5th, at 6:30 p.m. that is in conjunction with our next booster meeting. It will be in the auditorium instead of the cafeteria in order to accommodate the large number of attendees. At that meeting, things will be given out like a packing list, information for communication, a more detailed itinerary, and other important travel information. So it is important that everyone is there. Important dates for the rest of the semester, either Friday April 17, or Saturday April 18th is IHSA organizational contest. He throws it out this early because it is an important contest. They don't know which date or when they will be performing until we get closer to the event. Last year they anticipated it being on a Saturday, and then the Choir ended up going on Friday night. Make sure that every band and or choir student is available those two days. That trumps things like sports so the coaches are pretty flexible and understanding about that. The rest of the dates are pretty far out there so that is the only one he can see anticipating a schedule conflict with.

**Ms. Boska**

**Mrs. Kazin**

Mr. Scalf spoke on Mrs. Kazin's behalf. She said thank you for supporting Seussical. They are very excited they are one week away from tech week. The show dates are Friday, February 20th, Saturday, February 21st, and then the matinee on Sunday, February 22nd. She will cut off the luncheon reservations on February 12th. She did not include a count, but Mr. Scalf will try to get one and send it out. If you have children involved in the show, please consider assisting with tech Monday dinner, or the cast party. The link has been sent out through remind and email. And again, thank you in advance. We appreciate that. Please continue to promote the show to friends, family, and across social media. We

would love to welcome three full houses. Merikay verified she sent out the tech monday link.

### **VIII. QUESTIONS**

None

### **IX. COMMENTS**

Merikay stated there was a second signup genius on the tables for volunteers for the three shows. We need help with concessions and split the pot fundraising for the year. She did send it out with the email, and she will send it out a few more times before the 20th. Sunday the 22nd is the cast party. Angel added that on the itinerary that was sent out. It stated you will be picking up your student from the airport. That was incorrect. They will be bussed back to the school for pickup. Dropoff and pickup will be at the school. Mr Scalf will update that on the next itinerary going out.

### **X. NEXT MEETING, TIME, DATE and LOCATION      TRIP MEETING**

DATE: March 5, 2025

TIME: 6:30 PM

Auditorium

Evergreen Park Community High School District 231

Address: 9907 South Kedzie Ave., Evergreen Park, Illinois 60805

### **XI. ADJOURNMENT**

TIME: 6:57 PM

### **XII. PROPOSED MINUTES SUBMITTED**

Minutes submitted on February 7, 2026 by Jason Osterloh.