

John Henderson Band Parents Association Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 8, 2026, 6:30-7:15PM in person at JH Library

| Attendees: | |
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| <p>Laura Zinn, Ben Kensok, Leigh Stachniak, Orvie Dingwal, Brandy Zelinsky, Sheri Stoesz, Blaine Martinson, AM Synnott-Doyle, Cheryl Madden Regrets: Lesley Hall</p> | |
| Positions | Final 25/26 Meeting Date: In-person at JH Library |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair: Orvie Dingwall • Co-Chair: vacant • Secretary: Anne-Marie Synnott-Doyle • Treasurer: Brandy Zelinsky • Grade 6 Rep & Fundraising Rep: Lesley Hall • Grade 7 Rep: Cheryl Madden, Jenn McLean • Grade 8 Rep: Blaine Martinson | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday, June 3 (newly agreed), 2026 @ 5:30 pm |

Agenda

- Introduction
- February 4, 2026 Minutes were approved
- Band Director Update – Laura Zinn and Ben Kensok
 - Successful trip with the Jazz Band to the Brandon Jazz festival March 12-13; notably, female drummer with Beyonce and Prince.
 - Five Grade 6 students selected for percussion section; they stay on through Grade 7&8.
 - Grade 8 Edmonton band trip: Sun, April 12 to Wed, April 15;
 - 41 students, 4 teachers chaperoning/Holiday Inn Express.
 - Grades 7 Level One Band Festival: Wed, Apr 22 @ 10:20 AM (My Church).
 - Grade 6 Level One Band Festival: Thurs, Apr 23 @ 10:20 AM (My Church).
 - Next year's Grade 6 for instrument tryouts May 25-26th after school.
 - Elementary music teachers requested to bring their grade 5 students to see the band perform, aiming for June.
 - No one from JH made it in the provincial honor band.
 - Band Camp scholarship email to be sent out in June; consider putting a note on the silver bowl at the concerts, so folks understand where the donations go.
- Financials– Update from Brandy Zelinsky
 Current Status:
 - \$15,820.48 with all of it, including winter.
 - \$8,699.67, with the Schriemer's cheque still pending.
- Fundraisers
 Nil at current. Fall plans TBD.
- Spring Band Concert: Tues. May 19, 2026
 - Need to order evening tickets; matinee tickets discontinued for now.
 - Blaine to do supply and running of the sound equipment. Compensation to be considered for the future.
 - Orvie, AMD& Cheryl @ 12:30PM for the 1:30PM
 - AMSD & Brandy @ 5:30PM for the 6:00PM
 - Orvie & AMSD @ 6:30 for the 7:00PM
 - Orvie & Student Leaders @ 7:30 for the 8:00PM
 - Orvie will speak at all the concerts.
 - Ben to prep the slide show.
 - Blaine all day: Load-in in the morning.
 - Counting of \$ to be done after the concert.
 - Orvie and Brandy to count and prep tickets ahead of time.
- Other Business

- Laura will continue with half time leave of absence, Ben will continue at half time.