



VIKING BOOSTER CLUB

William Fremd High School
1000 South Quentin Road
Palatine, IL 60067

General Board Meeting - Agenda for Tuesday, May 12th, 2026

I. Member log in and handouts

- a. Meeting agenda
- b. Sign-In Sheets

II. Call to order and opening comments - Jen Riddle 7:04

-Thanks to the Nominating, Prom and Teacher Appreciation Committees for their work spring.

-Approval for Minutes for April - Stephanie Goodall and Sharol Gersic

III. Updates from Principal Langer, Hamid Mehreioskouei, Michael Smith

Mark Langer

- Thanks for all the amazing things at teacher's appreciation week
- Thanks for the prom enhancements - prom was awesome
- Thanks to boosters for helping with Senior Sunset, other Senior things are coming up are grad rehearsal, senior banquet, and graduation on May 19th.
- Last school assembly was Tuesday, currently In Week 2 of AP testing w finals and last week of school - next week!
- Review of the booster grant requests - athletics, activities, academics. 10k for the sign on the outside of the school. Only approved things are on the list. Considerations to narrowing the grants are allotments for our building budget from the district, fundraising that happens for different athletics, activities and clubs, and finally the Booster Club Budgets. Full request was 150k, again - not everything asked for was approved, something that was requested and not approved was new desks. Clothing items are not approved. Writers asked for 10k, but only 8500 was approved. Vote will take place at the next meeting, June 9th.

Michael Smith

- Band and Choral concerts were at the end of April. Thank you for the booster support that has made the performances so beautiful and amazing. This is Michael's last meeting, and he thanks the boosters for all the support.

IV. Treasurer's report - Tara Schleser

- Bank Update
- Bank account - \$155890.00

- Net income - \$126877.00
- Roll over 10k as our reserve.
- Paid out 11k in scholarships
- New Proposal:

Close the BMO Money Market - low interest rate

1. Keep the BMO Checking - use as main operating account, no minimum balance, has branches
 2. Close Chase Checking after 7/5/26 - get \$500 bonus, avoid minimum balance and fees
 3. Open Axos Checking - no minimum balance, used to facilitate transfers between Axos savings and BMO checking
 4. Open Axos Savings - high interest rate, keep all excess funds to earn interest paying 3.6%
- Motion to put the New Proposal for booster banking - Anton Steyer, Amy Diamond
 - Banking Vote - Unanimous vote for the new banking setup of opening an Axos Checking and Savings Account.

V. Committee Reports by Pillar - Vice President/Committee Chair

a. Anton Steyer

1. Membership - Sharol Gersic & Sara Murray
- Started collecting memberships - we can all start joining now!
2. Nominating - Carol Yoon, Rachana Vettickal, Amie Edmunds
- good shape! The only position open is treasurer.
3. Volunteer Coordinator - Kristin Lynch
 4. Coat Check/Dances - Traci Hinshaw
 5. By Laws - Patty Nuccio

b. Gina Elstrom

1. Class of '26 Liaisons - Gina Elstrom, Jodi Peterson, Dale Svec, Sue Grochowski - working on donations for May 18th.
- Q: what is the senior banquet? Michael explained the banquet - time for seniors to spend time together and celebrate their high school years as a class.
2. Class of '27 Liaisons - Casey Schmidt, Erika Baum, Liz Starman, Nicole Mueller, Sharon Stauber
 3. Class of '28 Liaisons - Avni Patel, Amie Edmunds, Olga Adams, Kelly Mollenhauer
 4. Class of '29 Liaisons - Laura Barnett

c. Sharol Gersic

1. Social Media - Erika Baum
- Feb 26th is the date for the Green and Gold Banquet - add to socials.
2. Newsletter - Jodi Peterson
- Please send by Sunday, there is only one Newsletter left for the school year and there will be a brief one over the summer.
3. Website - Erika Baum
 4. Sports Programs - Jessica DeGiulio & Stephanie Usalis
 5. Hearts 4 Life - Courtney Thorsen & Dale Svec

d. Stephanie Goodall

1. Craft Fairs - Tricia Sheehan & Kari Kaleta
2. Finance/Audit - Katie Suprenuk

3. Spirit Shop - Joy Carney

- The last day for the Spirit Shop to be open at school is this Friday.

4. FMA Liaison - Anton Steyer

- Year end concerts occurred in April.
- The band will march in the Memorial Day Parade.
- A new orchestra director is coming from Conant.



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e. Tricia Sheehan

1. Fundraising - Amy Diamond & Suzi Rizzo
2. Back to School Event - Erika Baum, Lisa Swedo
3. Parking Passes - Avni Patel
4. Dine and Share - Sharol Gersic - waiting on latest #S
5. 50/50 Raffle - Sarah Page & Kelly Mollenhauer

f. Erika Baum

1. Prom Enhancement - Liz Starman & Kathy Czink
- Prom 2026 Enhancements - *raffle tickets* could decide between 50\$ Chipotle, 10 \$50 Chick fil a, and tickets to Noah Khan, *beautiful flowers/directions*, *360 photo booth* upgrade. Had a good #s volunteers. Suggestions: need volunteers next year - esp depending on how elaborate the table deco is.
 - 2. Scholarship - Stephanie Goodall
- honors convocation happened, all the scholarships were given out and all have been cashed!
 - 3. Staff Appreciation - Courtney Thorson, Tricia Ward
 - 4. Staff Breakfast - Kathy Czink

VI. New Business

a. Discussion for scholarship increase for 2027 -

- How to get more applicants? Could we have more \$\$ to give? Could we give to more kids? Discussion surrounding how many students win a scholarship and how much to increase the winnings. Discussion on when to make the proposal and decided to revisit at the early meetings for 2026/27 school year, beginning in August.

b. Exception 26-27 for Treasurer, If a treasurer cannot be found, we will proceed with the exception vote next meeting and send subsequent emails with the amendment language asap.

c. Prom Venue - next year will be at the Westin North Shore (Wheeling) - wanting to change venues so that all of the prom could take place in 1 room. This location is within our price range and size.

VII. Meeting Adjourn: Stephanie Goodall and Gina Elstrom

a. Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 9th, 2026 at 7pm

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