

OTHS Choir Boosters Meeting Agenda

April 14, 2026

Meetings and Communication

- Monthly Meetings – meeting the second Tuesday of the month at 7 pm (usually)
- Email communications – jennieross2000@gmail.com
- Facebook Pages/Groups –, OTHS Choir, OTHS Annual Madrigal Dinner Concert, OTHS Choir Boosters, OTHS Choir Parents Facebook Group
- Website – www.othschoir.com

2025-2026 Executive Board Members

- President: Mike Buatte
- Vice President: Courtney Sutherland
- Secretary: Jennie Ross
- Treasurer: Julie Britsch

Committee Members

- Madrigals: Jennifer Sexton/
Vonda Walker
- Fundraising: Sarah Ward

General Business

1. Director's Report
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Fundraising Chair Report
4. Madrigal's Chair Report
5. President's Report

1. Director's Report - Heidi Polett

- Thanks to all who came to the jazz gig at the Abbey and Adrenaline's A Cappella night.
- **April 17- IHSA Contest**
 - **Who:** Freshman Choir, Mixed Chorale, & Chamber Ensemble
 - **Where:** Mount Vernon HS
 - **Calltimes** at SMILEY Choir room
 - **3:00 pm** call time for Chamber & Mixed to run repertoire & then change clothes
 - **3:15 pm** call time @ Smiley for Freshmen (in concert black)
 - We will return to the smiley campus around 9pm.
 - [Permission slip and details here](#)
 - *Parents - Make sure to indicate on the permission slip if you intend to go to contest and take your student home at its conclusion.*
- **May 1st - Jazz Concert Collab w/ Highland HS** (Required for chamber)
 - Where: O'Fallon Amphitheatre (Milburn if weather is bad)
 - Who: Chamber Choir
 - Timing:
 - 3:15 arrival at venue to help with sound setup
 - 4:30 - 5:45 OTHS rehearsal
 - 5:45 - 6:25 Highland HS Rehearsal / Chamber dinner break & time to change clothes
 - 6:25 - 6:45 combined OTHS & Highland VJ rehearsal
 - 7:00 concert start
 - Bring lawn chairs to sit in!

2. Treasurer's Report

- See Current Balance Sheet

3. Fundraising Chair Report

- **Trivia Fundraiser** - Debrief
 - Total profit of \$8,704.23
 - Plan to do this yearly
 - Need new speaker/microphone - possibly 2 speakers
 - Change up the layout of tables
 - Think through lighting for next year - stage lighting?
 - Need better explanation for survival round
 - Watch time to keep things moving - project a timer?
 - Have a projector for visual rounds
 - Keep it as BYOB
 - Start reaching out for donations in the fall or January
- **Graduation Ticket Raffle:** <https://omella.com/67qab>
 - Purchase one or more chances to win a pair of tickets to the 2026 Graduation Ceremony. Two winners will be randomly selected, and their names will be announced on Facebook Live through the OTHS Choir Boosters account (<https://www.facebook.com/ofallonocra>) on April 30th. Winners will also be notified via email. Tickets are \$1 for 1 chance and \$20 for 5 chances.
- **Dine to Donate** Updates
 - Focus only on the higher producing locations or easy locations
 - Possibly not doing it every month
- **Shells** - need to connect again with Band Boosters to find out their contributions.

4. Madrigal's Chair Report

- Madrigal Binder update
- Schedule mtg in May/June for new team to meet with outgoing team
- **April 22nd - Madrigals Mixer.** *This event is mandatory for all current and incoming chamber choir members and their parents.*
 - Meet at 6:30, meeting starts at 7 at Smiley Panther Center
 - Snacks will be provided (charcuterie)

5. President's Report

- Update/Refresh OTHS Choir Robes and storage: Date TBD - Early August
- **Senior Choral Scholarship** applications and letters of recommendation are due Thursday, April 16th.
 - The boosters will award three \$500 scholarships at the choir banquet in May.
 - *Administrator and two former choir parents have been contacted and they agree to adjudicate the applications again this year. Polett will redact names and take care of sending them the redacted applications and rubrics.*

- Choir Banquet is coming up on Friday, May 15th. Tickets available soon.
 - Juniors - Bring dessert to share
 - Sophomores - Bring drinks to share (pre-chilled individual portion works best)
 - Freshmen- Bring fruit or veggies to share

If you wish to donate to the OTHS Choirs, there is a registry of needed supplies posted at:

<https://www.myregistry.com/organization/oths-choir-o-fallon-il/3416334>

The Choir Event Calendar is posted here:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1f4TVrfjiG_RlvA4_dkMC0rWgelh9fQau658PFSJIQAY/edit

Next Meeting: May 12, 2026

