



## MEETING

8.31.22

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14 participants online (including the host)  
Approximately 30 in the audience

### TOPIC: Introductions

Lisa Sper - President of Boosters. Chris Rushing co-teacher Ms. Weiss is our technical director. Second year at Woodson. I also work as a professional actor and director.

Debbie Sprague and Jillian Gardner are our Vice Presidents  
Monica Roux - Concessions Chair  
Treasurer - Carol Conner  
Beth Visioli- Website and Secretary

Diya Silvan is a senior who will speak how the program and the boosters have helped her life. They get so many performance opportunities and she encouraged all parents to “join.”

### TOPIC: Fall Show

**Rushing:** One Man, Two Guvnors. James Corden started it. It will be our Cappies show. It is a relatively large cast. 20 people in the ensemble with 8 understudies? This year, we had almost 50 people audition for 28 spots. Last year we had 30 people in the crew. This year, we will have 60. We are growing and we want to build. In the past, the Fall show was tied to classes. This year, we opened it to all students.

Opens first week of November. Runs over two weekends.

### TOPIC: Immersive Halloween Experience/Black Box Activity/Holiday Event

More information to come

## TOPIC: Spring One Act/Star Wars Reading

VHSL One-act competition.  
Star Wars May the 4th

## TOPIC: Spring Show

Little Shop of Horrors. It will be a large cast and Audrey II will be a puppet/person combination.

## TOPIC: International Thespian Society (ITS)

Rachel Sper - ITS Treasurer

Honor Society for people interested in theater. We do cool fundraisers and performing opportunities. Try to better the community through theater. You accumulate hours and points by participating in different activities.

## TOPIC: Cappies

Rachel Sper - Lead Cappies Critic

Cappies is a program that is all throughout the United States. Students go to see other shows in the DMV. Talk with other critics about what was good about the show and they all write a review. Last year, Woodson had five published reviews. One of our critics had their review nominated for "Best Rising Critic" in Cappies. There is a Gala at the Kennedy Center at the end of the year - The Tony Awards for high school. Each school has one performer who gets to be in the show as a "featured performer."

The November 5 evening performance of the Fall Show will be our Cappies submission this year.

Rushing: Cappies show needs volunteers to help with the Cappies show.

## TOPIC: Committees

Ticket Sales: Debbie Sprague

Concessions/Lobby: Monica Roux/Julie Moffett

Scotland Fundraising Rema Cancino

**Hospitality: TBD**

**Boosters Fundraising/Program Ads: TBD**

Communications/Social/Webmaster: Beth Visioli

Cappies: TBD

**Student Liaisons: TBD (tech and actor rep will be selected for both of the shows)**

**Need a parent with a truck to help pick up a dentist chair in Woodbridge.**

## TOPIC: Scotland/Edinburgh Fringe 2023

American High School Theatre Festival. 4,000 shows. 1 million people. You have to advertise and market your show. It is life-changing not just because you are in another country but you are interacting with people in other cultures. Includes music, theater, dance and comedy. 6-8 tech students are recommended, they are there to provide tech support. Fee is all-inclusive. There are not necessarily auditions, you apply, and a show is chosen to highlight the performers who have applied. There is an initial payment of \$99, the full fee is \$6,540. Payments will be made in monthly installments., and a limited number of need-based scholarships are available. There will be a form coming out gauging interest.

### NEXT STEPS:

## End of meeting

Next board meeting will be scheduled for