



"Thank You" to my band friends for nominating me for the position of Secretary for the DV Band Boosters! I appreciate their vote of confidence in me & hope I have the privilege to serve & prove to them they made the correct choice ©

My name is Debbie Weigert, aka "Sam's Mom"! I was born in San Diego, CA but consider myself an Arizona Native since I have been here since 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Matt & I have two boys, Sam (17) & Trevor (13). We've lived in Ahwatukee since 1988, so I've seen the tremendous growth of this community & could not imagine living anywhere else. I know I am very fortunate to be raising my boys here.

Sam will be a senior next year, so we have been a part of this amazing program for 3 years! He started in the front ensemble & was in the drumline for his sophomore & junior years. He hopes to be a part of it again for his senior year! It is amazing to see how much this program has done for him! He started off mad at me for "making" him join, now he could not imagine anything better than being a part of the D.V. Band! He truly feels that each of the members are not just his friends, but his

family. That is what makes this such a great program! Sam is almost finished with high school but I still have another percussionist (Trevor) in middle school. I am hoping he'll see the light & join the band as well!

Since my start in the band boosters (2011), I have volunteered in a variety of different positions. I helped with various committees, volunteering wherever needed. The amazing kids in this band make it so worthwhile. Even if it's just handing out otter pops & wash clothes...these kids truly appreciate the parents/volunteers & it shows! Each & every one of them says thank you & they mean it! So this past year, I decided to step out of my comfort zone & do more. I started with Fundraising Committee & took on the Fall Fundraiser Candle Sales. I've helped with Football Concessions, Fun Committee, Team Pit, ABODA, even Concert Cookies & Glow sticks at Music Under the Stars! In November/December, I helped the FUN committee by organizing a new event --"End of the Season Picnic/Party"! It was a lot of work, but so worth it...for the KIDS! This year, to help with FUNdraising, I started the Great Lakes Scrip Program for the band. With only 8 families currently signed up & participating, we have raised over \$700.00 since September 2013! The more we grow the program, the more money we can raise for the band! I really enjoy helping with all the different committees and meeting all the band parents.

Now – in Sam's last year, I feel it is time to step it up & help even more! I would be honored if you would vote for me as next year's Executive Board Secretary. I know I am completely capable & fitted for this position! I currently work out my home office & own my own business, It's About Time, Inc. My clients include a large telephone directory in Los Angeles, CA & a nationally ranked recruiting company. A great deal of my work is very detail oriented & demands excellence in my proofing, editing & customer service skills.

Honesty, Visibility & TEAM WORK! These are my goals & if elected, I plan to reach out & meet the parents/families/booster members. I want to help them realize that the Band Booster Executive Board is approachable & there to help them with any questions or concerns they may have! As an incoming freshman parent, I did not know many people. I had lots of questions but didn't know where to get the answers. I believe that monthly open board meetings & more visibility is a vital need. I would work towards that goal & see that any parents/families would feel free to come ask questions and encourage them to volunteer! I am a strong believer in team work & hope that with my involvement, there will be even more team work with all of the committees working together with one main goal...the kids and the band! I've seen how successful a committee or event can be with open communication and teamwork. I believe that each booster parent has something special to offer this program that can make it even better. My job, if elected, is to do the best service that I can for you, the booster! Please vote for me so I can help!

