

## MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 17, 2011 FINE ARTS BOOSTERS MEETING

The following members were present: Jay Heydlauff, Mike Haverdink, Leigh Adcock, Melinda Luzbetak and Natalie Haverdink. President Jay Heydlauff called the meeting to order at 7:15pm.

The possibility of selling Super Saver Cards as a fundraiser was discussed. All were in favor of selling the cards. They will arrive around March 1<sup>st</sup>. Students will go door-to-door as a group in Gilbert, maybe for 2-3 hours. Each student will need to sell about 5 cards. Haverdinks will tell O'Rourke we would like about 500. Melinda will acquire a prize (hopefully donated) for the top seller(s). Ideas included iTunes giftcard and Gilbertwear (we would have to purchase the latter). Sometimes people map out the Gilbert school district and assign students (in pairs) to go sell in a certain area; this sounded like a good idea. We can end the day with pizza and a movie on the wall (maybe Napoleon Dynamite). We need to talk to Mr. Fisher about the liability of students driving themselves, or if we need to have parents taking vans full of kids and having drop-off/pick-up points.

Jay is talking to Mrs. Rogers about getting a new recording microphone for the vocal music program.

Jay is going to write up guidelines (cannot be called "by-laws" since we are not an official organization.) Officers serve for two year terms, we meet monthly, we give scholarships at the end of each school year, we sell memberships, we help pay for fine arts program supplies, we have a president/vice president/ treasurer/secretary, etc. Let Jay know if there is anything else to be included in these guidelines.

The bond issue was discussed. The FAB are going to send an email saying "the FAB supports this bond issue". Natalie will send this to everyone. Email Jay if you have any info to include. Mike has created a wonderful website entitled [www.voteyesgilbert.com](http://www.voteyesgilbert.com), where you can request an absentee ballot or a yard sign, as well as read more information on the bond issue. When the bond is passed, we will want to be involved in the design phase (a few representatives from the board as well as 1 or 2 faculty members). When we are ready to begin full-throttle on fundraising to help support the auditorium, it might be a good idea to consult Dan Saftig, whose kids go to Gilbert. He is a professional fundraiser for ISU.

A thank you note was received from vocal music instructor Kaaren Rogers for the \$200 FAB donated to go towards the new Privia keyboard for the choral music program. She has received it and says it is wonderful.

Large group speech is having their Friends and Family Day on January 30. They need cookies and punch donated. Melinda will bring the lemonade (will take to school on Friday) and an email plea will be sent out by Leigh to ask for cookie donations. We will need about 20 dozen cookies. We also need more cups and napkins. Leigh offered to bring the napkins.

The idea of conducting a larger mailing was discussed, which would include the whole district. It may cost \$1000. We would target businesses (who would need follow-up after the mailing) as well as alumni and current Gilbert school district families.

Mike reported that we have a balance of \$7,552.40. We were paid for ticket taking. We discussed our satisfaction with our decision to refrain from doing ticket taking as a group

(many of our members already do this if their children are involved in sports). We are anticipating \$500 to \$1000 in requests for end-of-year awards, etc., plus approximately \$1500 for scholarships. We are good for the end of the year, financially.

The FAB are not going to be involved with the Rock Hop, nor will we try to obtain new memberships at that event. Some discussion occurred on whether or not to try to get more memberships during the spring semester; the free passes to fine arts events aren't as big a draw in the spring, when many events have already occurred.

Mike reported that Mrs. Thomas had talked to him about the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade solo contest which is on February 28 and March 1. Each year they provide a meal for the judges on both nights (has been pizza). This year she would like to have homemade lasagna, salad, etc. On both nights, we will need 2 pans of lasagna, salad, a fruit plate and brownies. This is to serve 15 people each night, and they will be eating between 6:00 and 6:30pm. We will send an email out asking for these items.

The Gilbert High School solo contest is on April 2.

The possibility of including an "Alumni Spotlight" in the Gilbert Newsletter or on our website was discussed. Ex-students who are continuing their vocal/instrumental/speech in college or beyond would be featured. This will be discussed further at future meetings.

The meeting was adjourned around 8:20pm.

Minutes submitted by Melinda Luzbetak.