

Minutes from January 9, 2014 Fine Arts Boosters Meeting

Officers Present: Gina Gallus, Ed Engle, Mike & Natalie Haverdink, Byron Tinder

Others Present: Diane Janvrin, Mary Consamus, Kaaren Rogers, Melinda Luzbetak, Leo Timms, Wendy Nutini

Middle School Solo Contest: Wendy informed us that it will be March 3 & 5, 5:00-8:30pm both nights at the MS School. She asked for a meal each night for the judges & volunteers and FAB agreed to that. Amanda Jennings has been asked to be an accompanist since Jenni Thomas' baby is due at that time. FAB agreed to pay \$300 to Amanda for the two nights (approx. 40 students/solos each night)

Fine Arts Fundraiser "ReVoiced": Kaaren told us about an opportunity that she would like to pursue. ReVoiced is an a cappella group that does clinics with students during the school day and then performs an evening concert. It won't work this school year, but hopefully next year. There are no upfront costs and they get a % of ticket sales from the concert. Opera Iowa is another similar type of event with an educational component and evening performance. Kaaren also said she purchased 2 sets of risers for the next concert with her budget money.

Middle School Musical: Virginia Beecher has set the dates for the MS musical, Annie Jr. for Feb. 20 and 21st. The kids are very excited--it is mostly 8th graders with a few 7th graders. There will be some simple sets to be designed and built. The royalties are \$590 and FAB is paying \$500--which Virginia thanked us for that. 60 some kids are involved!

Uniforms/Robes Fundraising: Several students and FAB adults have signed up to help in Jan. and Feb. with the redeemables. This brings in approx. \$300 each month. Pam, Natalie and Gayle Brown organize this. The funds earned here in 2014 will be used toward new band uniforms and choir robes. FAB paid for 3 new bins to collect pop bottles at athletic events at the 3 schools/concession stands. (\$120) We will be needing volunteers for the whole year. Thank you for helping out! So far, \$4300 has been raised through donations. PTO will probably not be making a donation toward robes/uniforms. We can still seek help from the Rock Hop. The new uniforms will arrive the 2nd week of April. \$6000 from Scrip went toward this.

Large Group Contest: Friday, May 9 at Gilbert HS. We will need many, many volunteers for this event. (Timers, announcers, coordinators, concessions, ticket takers). Byron hoped that the Gilbert Band would perform 1st and then those kids could work the rest of the event as runners, etc. Certain jobs will need to be adults only. We decided to buy T Shirts (Black with white letters) that will say Gilbert Fine Arts on front and Event Staff on the back. Ed will work with Pam and her contacts. Admission for the contest is \$3 students, \$5 adults. We discussed having a sign-up genius as the date draws nearer to send to HS and MS band/choir parents to fill in the worker slots.

Musical Ad sales wrap-up: Joe Metzger gave an update on Musical Program ad sales. We printed 800 programs for State Fair this fall. We will re-evaluate next musical if that was too many. We used 500 the first night and collected 150 or 200 back for the 2nd night's performance. \$740 was earned in profits from sales. \$620 is still outstanding from business that purchased an ad and have yet to pay. We sold 29 Business ads and 27 Parent ads (\$290).

Financial Update: Ed Engle said we have a balance of \$9,886.46 in our checking account. \$500 will be paid to MS musical, \$400+ for musical sets materials, and other expenses coming up soon for the spring. Ed will also make a poster to show progress on the uniform/robes fundraising and place it in the foyer to the Auditorium. Many concerts/events are in the auditorium beginning in Feb., so parents of many ages/grades will be walking past there.

The next meeting is February 6, 2014 at 7:00pm in the HS Media Center.