

## MARCH 7, 2011—MINUTES OF THE GILBERT FINE ARTS BOOSTERS MEETING

The meeting of the Fine Arts Boosters was called to order at 7:05pm on March 7 in GHS Media Center by Jay Heydlauff.

Members present included Natalie and Mike Haverdink, Leigh Adcock, LeAnn Meehan, and Melinda Luzbetak. The meeting was also attended by staff members Jenni Thomas, middle school band instructor, and Greg Fisher, HS principal.

Discussed the high school spring play which was performed on March 4 and 5. It went very well. Mr. Fisher estimated Friday night's attendance at 125 and Saturday's at 250, raising a total of \$750.00 approximately. The Fine Arts Boosters gave a thank you note with \$35 in gift cards (Hobby Lobby & Michael's) to Carrie Thimmesch for her help with the play (especially costumes) at the request of Pamela Covell, play director. Melinda also purchased a \$25 giftcard for Brandon, student director, but had freshman/sophomore students chip in for this, as it was decided that it would be inappropriate for FAB to give gifts to a student. Cookies and lemonade were enjoyed at the intermissions during the play each night, purchased by FAB.

FAB is purchasing a gift card for Deb Gray for helping with the middle school solo contest at the request of Mrs. Thomas. Jenni also reported that the judges' dinner went very well. Melinda recommended that different entrée/items each night should be served next year, as there were at least 3 people who were there both nights. The leftover 2-liters of soda were taken to the cast party at Cackler's house on Saturday, and the leftover brownies were given to the cast and crew after the Tuesday night parent performance.

Mike contacted John and Marcia from the school board and told them that FAB wanted to be involved in the design process. They have plans to visit some auditoriums, but these visits are not scheduled yet. Mr. Fisher was handed a copy of the auditorium survey questionnaire developed by FAB members. Discussed auditorium features, like orchestra pit, angular flooring, etc. He had suggestions for additions to the survey, which will be updated and added to the minutes. Mrs. Thomas reported that she likes the new Johnston HS auditorium.

Gilbert HS solo/ensemble contest is on April 2 at Roland-Story HS.

Gilbert MS students are selling Super Savings cards to help defray the cost of piano accompanists for their solo contest. The unsold cards and money are due back on March 21.

There are a total of 450 cards, with approximately 400 cards out right now. FAB members have been selling some at events this past month, and Penny in the office wants more to sell at Parent-Teacher Conferences on March 28 and 30. We will wait and see how the GMS sales go and next month talk about whether we need to have the HS students sell them also.

Leigh wants to fundraise among alumni. The possibility of starting a facebook group for Gilbert Alums, with a link to the FAB page, was discussed.

Jay wants to start a Tech Club at GHS and bring in speakers for various topics. The students in this club would help with the play (sound, lighting, etc.) Jay could help with the club but there

would need to be a staff member to facilitate the club meetings.

May 16 is the GHS Awards Night. The FAB scholarships will be announced at that time. The scholarship applications will be due May 2, so that the board can review them at the May 9 meeting. .

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm. The next FAB meeting will be at 7:00 on April 11 in the Gilbert High School commons. Upcoming meetings are scheduled for May 9, June 13, July 11 and August 8.

Minutes submitted by: Melinda Luzbetak