

Minutes from April 30, 2014 Fine Arts Boosters Meeting

Officers Present: Pam Vandenberg, Mike Haverdink, Byron Tinder

Others Present: Leo Timms, Diane Janvrin, Mary Consamus, Kaaren Rogers, Virginia Beecher, Melissa Appel

Summer Theater: Mrs. Beecher came to let us know she is planning to start a summer theater program. A sponsoring organization is needed to purchase the royalties. No money is needed at this time, and we agreed that she could use our name on the royalties purchase.

Large Group Speech: Melissa Appel came and gave us an update on the speech programs. Next year Shelley Leiser will not be sponsoring large group speech and Jasmine Williams will not be sponsoring debate, so those programs will need new sponsors. There may also be a need next year for speech music players (e.g. a portable stereo or iPod speaker dock) and a project/cart for the large group speech program. Melissa will approach us again when the need is closer.

2014 Scholarships: We received six applications electronically for this year's scholarship. Gina Gallus, who is heading the scholarship process this year, will contact Mr. Jacobson to see if there were any paper applications turned in. Gina will prepare and distribute scholarship packets to her committee and then compile the results. The committee will meet and recommend scholarship winners to the board via email since we will not meet again before awards night on May 19. Mike will present the scholarships on awards night.

HS Large Group Contest: Plans are in full swing for the May 9 large group contest hosted at Gilbert. Leo and Pam have been organizing adult volunteers for the event, and we have enough volunteers to cover everything. Pam has also organized all of the food and is ready for the event. The first students should arrive around 4:00 pm with the first band/choirs performing at 5:00. Volunteers will work shifts from 3:30-6:30 and 6:30-9:30. Gilbert fine arts students will also be assisting with the volunteer effort. Mr. Tinder will touch base with Jason Holtan and Deb Gray about using one of the commons monitors for displaying results.

HS Pre-Contest Concert: The bands/choirs will perform in the HS auditorium on May 5 at 7:30. Melissa Appel and Diane Janvrin will take tickets starting at 6:45.

Super Saver Cards: The Gilbert Education Foundation is again exploring selling a super saver type of card, similar to the card we have been selling every spring. Shele Blum from the foundation asked if we would be willing to enter into a similar agreement from last time they explored this option. Last time we agreed that the foundation would donate the first \$1000 of their proceeds to the Fine Arts Boosters in exchange for us giving up the fundraiser. We agreed that we would agree to the same terms.

Middle School band medals: Wendy Nutini asked if we would cover the costs of the middle school band medals and pins. We agreed.

501c3 Status: Mike heard from the IRS and they want a small change to our application and then are willing to approve our non-profit status. There is still a 8-10 week backup for the paperwork to go out, but all indicators are that we should be approved prior to next school year!

The next meeting is not yet scheduled. Mike will set it up via email and post the date/time/location on our web site.