

Minutes from August 1, 2013 Fine Arts Boosters Meeting

Officers Present: Pam Vandenberg, Gina Gallus, Byron Tinder, Mike & Natalie Haverdink. Others Present: Diane Janvrin, Diane Pierce, Melinda Luzbetak, Joe & Laura Metzger, Lindsey Beecher, Kristy Bolar.

Tour--We rec'd a tour of the new high school and auditorium before our meeting began--awesome!

Work Day for Music Dept./ Uniform Fittings--These were not scheduled during the meeting. The work day will be for the Drama Dept and the upcoming musical. Mike Haverdink and Joe Metzger have worked on the flats for past performances and plan to help out in the future.

The band uniforms are being stored at the cleaners until we have storage for them in the new band room. Byron said he may have to do fittings during the school day as kids come in for their lessons. 91 students are signed up for band with only 72 last year. We discussed having the drum line wear black pants and shirts to make more uniforms available to fit the rest of the kids. The band will not march in the Pufferbilly Parade this year.

Financial Update--Beginning of May we had \$11,289.23. From May to July we had deposits of \$1508.00 which included T-shirts, Super Savings Cards, sale of equipment and donations. From May 1 to July 31 we had expenditures totaling \$5,391.85. July 31, 2013 ending balance is \$7,405.38

Significant expenditures were:

\$2,000 for scholarships

\$1,900 for musical instruments to Intermediate School

\$360 for Super Savings Cards

\$365.65 for T-Shirts

\$369.45 for band awards

Fundraising--Items we identified as needs this year: band uniforms, piano for auditorium, choir robes, new flats, musical fees for royalties. Hopefully we will have another program with paid ads for the musical to cover those expenses. The district has paid for many instruments for this year, per Byron. Still no word on the 501c3 status. However, the Gilbert Education Foundation has allowed donations to be sent to them for fundraising for the piano. Our goal is \$20,000. The fundraising team will meet to start a plan for the piano funds.

Open Houses for Schools--We decided to have a table at most of the school Open Houses at the end of August. Pam VB had a banner made and Mike & Gina worked on a brochure to hand out to parents. Mike gave short speeches at the HS and MS to parents. New Fine Arts passes have been made. We had 13 donations come in during that time and sold a few more T-shirts. Great start to the new year!

Dedication Concert--December 15 is the concert date and the composition written in honor of Chris Covell will be played. It is being written by Michael G_____ at ISU. They plan to have it finished by October. The FAB received donations toward this and the music dept. will cover the rest of the expense. We hope to have fundraising efforts in place at this concert. Possibly 2 concerts will be needed to accommodate all the people with advance free tickets?? Possibly past graduates will be invited back to perform.

Future meetings for the this year will be the first Thursday of each month:

Thursday, September 5

Thursday, February 6

Thursday, October 3

Thursday, March 6

Thursday, November 7

Thursday, April 3

Thursday, December 5

Thursday, May 1

Thursday, January 2

FAB Meetings will be located in the HS conference room at 7:00pm.