

Minutes from February 4, 2015 Fine Arts Boosters Meeting

Officers Present: Jane Weaver, Mike Haverdink, Gina Gallus, Pam Vandenberg, Members Present: Diane Janvrin, Natalie Haverdink, Jen Weber, Gayle Brown, Byron Tinder, Natalie Haverdink, Laureen Borg and Heather Schurr

Mike Haverdink called the meeting to order at 7 pm and asked for changes or corrections to the December minutes. No changes were needed and the minutes were approved.

Heather Schurr announced the recent success for Gilbert students at the large group speech contest. 23 of the 40 high school students who competed earned a 1 rating which grants them the opportunity to compete at the State Speech contest which is scheduled for February 7 at Valley High in Des Moines. (only 2 teams will not compete at state) Heather is requesting the purchase of two boom boxes to address the sound quality problems that speech students encountered at Ankeny district contest. The request of \$62 for the two boom boxes was approved.

Jen Weber asked if the speech teams would be performing for the public. Discussion included concerts, assemblies and pep rallies.

Wendy Nutini has requested FAB provide supper for the middle school small group music judges. Pam Vandenberg volunteered to set up Sign-up Genius to coordinate the meal for approximately 20 people. Wendy also asked for FAB to pay for two piano accompanists which she plans to hire for the contest. The request was approved.

Jen Maguire, Art teacher is organizing the HOIAC Art Show which is being held at Gilbert on.... Gilbert remains the one school which does not have art display boards. She has requested we pay for the purchase of Pro-Panels for use at the show. The cost for 6 panels will be \$810. The request was approved.

Mike Haverdink announced that the fundraising letter has generated nearly \$7000.

75 Band uniforms will be ordered in February by Byron Tinder. A marching band hat was sent for pricing to the uniform manufacturer and they can be made for \$52 a piece (not including the plume). This is at the very high end of hat prices. The band room is dealing with limited storage for the hats. Byron suggested we order 25 berets to use for some of the band members. The marching band will then have some instrument sections wear the berets and the others use hats. The PTO donation of \$7000 now available for use towards the uniform purchase.

Bingo with the Band takes place on February 5. Pam and Mike volunteered to come early and help as needed. Byron announced that band students have also been asked to assist during the evening. All three jazz bands and the Tiger voices will perform.

Redemption Center

The Ames redemption center has closed which means more difficulty in recycling bottles and cans collected at the Gilbert Mullenbach box. Up to now, Leo Timms, Pam Vandenberg, Gayle Brown and Natalie Haverdink have taken turns sorting and dropping off the recycles in Ames. The closest place now will be in Nevada. Much discussion occurred about the desire to continue this fundraising and the issues now arising due to the time, limited space and distance to the recycler. Natalie said FAB collected in \$4200 in 2014 from the recycling. The current volunteers will recycle in Nevada for another month before a final decision is made. Gayle Brown will talk with the Mullenbachs about the situation.

Fine Art scholarships selection committee will be headed by Gina Gallus with Jen Weber's assistance. Byron Tinder will be the faculty representative. May 1 is the deadline for candidate selection.

Business for next meeting:

Large Group Music Contest Concessions and administration
Redeemables
Bingo Night

Next meeting March 4, 2015 at 6 PM

Meeting adjourned 8:00

Jane Weaver, Secretary