

Minutes from August 14, 2014 Fine Arts Boosters Meeting

Officers Present: Gina Gallus, Ed Engle, Mike and Natalie Haverdink, Byron Tinder, Kaaren Rogers
Others Present: Leo Timms, Jane Weaver, Mary Consamus, Jenni Thomas, Lindsey and Virginia Beecher

Secretary Change: Natalie Haverdink *gratefully* handed the secretary book to Jane Weaver. Natalie will continue to retrieve the mail from the Gilbert post office and will therefore hold the mailbox key.

Fundraising-- A fund letter was sent out to 50105 addresses and we have received \$1000 in donations. Mike Haverdink reported that we still owe our anonymous donor \$10,000 for the band uniform loan we received last year. We must also purchase more band uniforms this year to meet the increasing band member population. At this time we estimate another \$20,000 will be needed to purchase 75 uniforms. Kaaren Rogers reported that we may not need new choir robes because she is considering splitting the choir into two sections: freshman only; and all other grades.

Can Redemption: Redeemable cans are being picked by volunteers at the Gilbert donation site on a weekly basis and redeemed for cash at the Ames Recycling center. FAB collection cash averages \$400-\$500 per month from this pursuit.

Tattoos Mike announced that he has purchased 2000 small temporary skin tattoos that will be used for fundraising. We decided to charge \$1 for two tattoos and selling them at pep rallies and home games. The tattoos include 1000 each of paw prints and a large G. Lindsey Beecher asked that we consult with the cheerleader sponsor prior to selling the tattoos at upcoming football games. Mike will do so.

PTO Mike reported he has asked the PTO for funds and they will consider a donation to FAB this year. Mike also consulted with the athletic boosters for a donation. They are willing to donate \$2600 (10 uniforms) if we can provide six concession volunteers at the four home football games this fall and also six volunteers for four home track meets this spring. Leo Timms will prepare the sign-up genius pages needed for the fall football concession volunteers per our agreement with the athletic boosters.

Volunteers Mrs. Rogers will send a welcome letter to new freshmen choir parents looking for volunteers to help with FAB. Middle school parents with students in band and choir will also be offered the opportunity to volunteer.

Membership—The upcoming school open houses on the 21st (7/8th grade) and 25th (HS) will be great opportunities to sign up new FAB members. Gina and Mike will man the 21st open house while Ed and Mike will take care of the 25th.

501(c)(3)—The FAB fiscal year ended July 30. Ed will have five months to file the tax form IRS990. Some research will be required. Mike presented new 501c3 tax statements that will be provided for donations. One statement indicates that no goods and services have been provided. The other statement shows a ticket value was received.

Allstate Music Camp - Kaaren Rogers presented a list of music camp attendees. FAB will reimburse each attendee \$75.00. Historically, this has been our practice.

ISU BAND Byron Tinder reported on the upcoming ISU/Gilbert 400 person band show at the August 29th football game. All band members will park and convene at the intermediate school. Gilbert band members will walk to the high school while the ISU band members will march to the field. Byron explained the performance plans and the attempt to locate a seating area for the band when they are not performing. In addition Pam Vandenberg has graciously volunteered to organize a meal for the ISU band after their performance.

Other Leo Timms suggested we make an effort to communicate with music alumni regarding Gilbert music activities. A discussion regarding use of tweets followed with Mike Haverdink agreeing to set up our Gilbert music twitter account.

The monthly meeting date was discussed and determined to be the first Thursday of each month at 7 pm. October will be the exception when we meet on *Tuesday*, October 7. Our next meeting will be September 4.

Jane Weaver, Secretary