

Minutes from November 6, 2014 Fine Arts Boosters Meeting

Officers Present: Jane Weaver, Byron Tinder, Layne Billings, Marisa Weisskopf, Dhuha Akili, Gina Gallus, Mary Consamus, Shelly Billings, Diane Janvrin, Melissa Appel, Dzung Pahl, Ed Engle, Natalie and Mike Haverdink, Jen Weber, Angela Shaw, Sarah Day and Joe Metzger

Mike Haverdink called the meeting to order at 8 pm and asked for changes or corrections to the October minutes. No changes were needed and the minutes from October were approved.

ALL-STATE: Choral and band students had All-state tryouts in November. Gilbert FAB is honored to recognize these winners: Andrea Schwartz, clarinet was selected for the band. Nick Day, Maria Consamus, Hanna Engle, Matthew Shuka were chosen for the All-State choir.

Fundraising: A \$7000 donation by PTO has been approved for the FAB and in return they would like FAB membership to help with a bingo fundraiser. The Family Bingo Night is scheduled for January 31, 2015 from 5-8 pm. PTO representatives, Dhuha and Marissa were in attendance and requested band members for musical riffs during the Bingo evening. Byron Tinder will coordinate with them

Mike Haverdink anticipates sending a fundraising letter to the school district and community soon after the Variety show before the end of the year.

Band fundraiser orders are due Nov. 10. Purchased goods will be stored and dispersed from the overhead door by auditorium the first week of December. Volunteers for this job will be Pam Vandenberg, Francine White, Shelly Loonan, Jen Weber and Diane Pierce.

Variety Show and Dinner

Jane Weaver reported on progress of the Variety Show dinner plans. The total reservations are just under 100 people. Plans were made to send a district email alerting patrons to the reservation deadline date of Monday, November 10th. Jen Weber volunteered to help with beverages at the dinner. Byron Tinder will arrange for student waiters that will serve on Saturday night.

Discussion concerned Variety Show ticket sellers. Layne Billings will need at least one volunteer for each night. Ed Engle and Sarah Day will help on Friday and Angela Shaw will help on Saturday. Volunteers should arrive at least 30 minutes prior to show start. On November 15 the dinner guests will have the opportunity to find their seats in the auditorium before the doors are open to the public. Layne will rope off an area in the auditorium for these priority seats. Jen Weber volunteered to help with beverages at the dinner. Several members from the meeting volunteered to help with cleanup after the dinner and show on Saturday night. Shelly Billings reported on her centerpiece plans for the tables. Shelly is looking for photos of students involved in fine arts activities that can be displayed on the dinner tables. Photos can be sent to her at billings4iowa@gmail.com.

Byron reported that band caroling is arranged in December 11. Ron Peterson will drive his truck and trailer to haul the band members around Gilbert. Pam Vandenberg is making arrangements for the band members to enjoy refreshments at Gilbert Lutheran Church after caroling.

Ed Engle gave the treasurer's report as follows: The bottle and aluminum can redeem-ables yield an average of \$300 to \$400 per month. Current FAB memberships added \$7000 from 42 family memberships. \$1000 was received from the Gilbert Education foundation for the sale of Major Saver Cards. The balance on October 31 was \$12,518.20. The PTO will add \$7000 plus another \$550 from memberships and donations at the meeting bringing the new balance to about \$20,000.

The band uniform loan donors are still owed \$10,000. Another 75 uniforms at \$260 will increase the band uniform debt by \$19,500. Band hats will also be ordered, but the price for hats is unknown.

The next FAB meeting is planned for December 4.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55.

Jane Weaver, Secretary