

Fine Arts Boosters Minutes
January 16, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 6:31pm by Karen Keeran, President.

Welcome & Introductions

Minutes from November – Motion to approve by Joe, Second by Derek. Approved.

Financial Reports & Updates – Motion to approve by Joe, Second by Holly. Approved.

Representative/Teacher Reports -

Art – Drawing contest – asking for reimbursement to Mr. Vandelaar for \$75 for judges. Scholastics event will be last of January. Racoon River Art Show will be in person in April. All State canceled. Request \$18 in funding for prizes for Ankeny Art Show, grades K-12. Motion to approve by Holly, Second by Joe. Approved.

Band – HIGH SCHOOL: 2 concert bands starting tomorrow. All Iowa festival on Feb. 13, need a couple of parents to help on buses from about Noon -5pm. Concerts end of Feb. Jazz band will be doing a pie concert following the Jr. High Concert on March 7. RRC Honor Band Here on March 6 – maybe a little help needed. Solo/Ensemble March 2. Last pep band on Jan 31 – will include a color guard clinic performance – clinic on the Saturday before. 4 students to ISU Honor Band beginning of Feb.

MIDDLE SCHOOL: THANK YOU to all that helped with the first annual Project Bluejay Honor Band! A few tweaks to come for next year: Include meal cost with registration and then get all of the food at once from Costco or Sam's Club. Less work for all involved aside from serving and preparation of food.

-NO Rod Pierson Jazz Band this spring. Not as much interest from other schools to participate. Looking into grants for next year.

-JH Solo/Ensemble festival happening 2/7/23. In the past, FAB has paid for judges' meals. Could we do this again? Walking Pasta?

-8th Grade Concert Band has submitted recordings to perform at the Iowa Bandmasters Association Conference. More to come if we get selected or not.

Choir – December concert with 7&8 – students had a blast. Used new flip risers and worked very well. Variety show gearing up for February 24 & 25th. Need volunteers to count money from Viewer's Choice. Holly & Jen volunteered. \$25 Jethros gift card awarded to Viewer's Choice winners. Already has trophies. Middle school perform Anthem at Iowa Wild on the ice 2/11.

Winter caroling was fun. Want to be included next year. Added more students to choir. Usually semester turnover is bad, but for first time numbers are up at semester. Taking 5/6/7th grades to honor choir.

Drama – First rehearsals last week. Going well. Stage management went through props, will do parent meeting coming up. Need list of parent emails.

Speech – Districts on Saturday. Taking 9 groups, will be hard with weather. Need vehicle that can hold flip forms. Joe can carry them in his truck. Treat bags would be good, can use remaining marching band snacks. 25 signups for individual speech. Trying to make a schedule for them all.

New Business – \$6000 for auditorium in Foundation Fund as one-shot expenditures. Looking for microphone stands and racks for stands – 4 slots each. Mostly for Jazz choir, but for any performance. \$50/stand, \$30/rack X 5 = >\$500. Motion by Joe to purchase, second by Wendy. Approved.

Motion to adjourn the meeting. Adjourned at 7:04.