Fine Arts Booster Meeting

August 19, 2019

FAB meeting was called to order in the HS library at 6:32 by President, Laurel Swanson. Members in attendance were: Nicole Crawford, Coren Hucke, Rachelle Lorentzen, Braden Wipperman, Angie O'Brien, Molly Thorsen, Kelly Daniel, Mary Jo McCleary, Darla Davidson, Christian Vandehaar and Kristin Swift

Welcome and Introductions – As there were a number of new faces around the table, President Swanson welcomed everyone and asked them to go around the table and introduce one's self.

Approval of April Meeting Minutes – Members read copies of the April minutes submitted by Secretary, Patty Hormann. There was a clarification made to the minutes presented. The senior four year awards were presented at the Fine Arts Awards banquet instead of the Senior Awards night. Rachelle made a motion to approve the minutes; Darla seconded. Motion passed.

Financial Reports and Updates – Treasurer, Rachelle Lorentzen, presented the financial reports. There is currently \$17605.40 held in the FAB accounts and \$29897.94 held in the Foundation accounts. Kristin Swift explained that money is separated into the two accounts because of the non-profit status of the Education Foundation. Any donations given to FAB are run through the Foundation accounts to allow our generous donors the ability to claim the donation as a tax deduction. Because the Foundation cannot simply give this donated money directly to FAB, the Foundation maintains the balance in separate earmarked accounts until payment is requested through invoices. Rachelle is having issues with her Revtrack password so Kristin said that she would pull the report on treat donations for her so that she could reconcile those donations. Mary Jo made a motion to approve the report; Kelly seconded. Motion passed.

FAB Representative/FA Teachers/Sponsors Reports

Art – Mr. Vandehaar reported that a third of the art pieces displayed in the State Fair teen division were created by seven of our young BF artists. BF will be hosting the Raccoon River Conference (RRC) Art Show on April 22. Instead of the juniors being members of his art squad, he is providing them with other leadership opportunities by having them "host" the RRC art show. Mr. Vandehaar purchased supplies to make 20 display boards for the event. He spent about \$150 less that what was approved for the purchase last spring. He is trying to figure out a means to be able to transport the display boards between different areas of the high school so that these talented students can receive increased exposure and recognition. Laurel suggested that a goal for Mr. Vandehaar this year would be to try to find ways to increase community exposure to the art department.

Band – Mr. Wipperman reported that the new uniforms look very nice and all members have been assigned uniforms. He also said that he will miss the first band competition this year because of a family commitment. He asked that \$1000 be taken out of his band account to pay a stipend for the percussion assistant. This was a previous request that he reiterated at the meeting. He also said that the school will

be including it within its budget next year so this should be the last year for the request. The band tubs are in sad shape and he requested that new ones be purchased for this season. Kristin made a motion to spend up to \$60 on the purchase of three new tubs for the band program, Rachelle seconded. Motion passed. Carlisle CSD has requested that Bondurant be the hosting facility for the RRC honor band performance on March 4. Carlisle will continue to coordinate the event; BF will just be the hosting site.

Choir – Mr. Hucke hosted a select choir retreat on August 27. Twelve students were in attendance. He currently has 21 rostered for select choir and 60 rostered for concert choir this fall. These are similar numbers to his ending year rosters. He also reported that BF has been asked to switch hosting years for the RRC honor choir on October 29. Due to some construction, Boone CSD has asked to swap years with BF. A director has already been secured for the performance. Mr. Hucke will be seeking more clarity on the event. He does know that he will need volunteers to help serve lunch/dinner, hand on programs and act as ushers.

Drama – The fall play will be The Good Doctor by Neil Simon. The performance will be November 8-9. Tryouts will be August 29 and one other day to accommodate athletes participating in meets. Greg Milar, Molly Thorsen, and Rusk Dorset will be co-leading the fall play. Mrs. Thorsen indicated that there is an opportunity for FREE tech track training on September 13 at the Civic Center. She and Mr. Vandehaar are generating a "short list" of students to invite to this opportunity. There will be an information meeting for speech/drama on August 27 at 5pm in the auditorium. Mr. Sweeney will have this added to the announcements so that students are aware of the meeting.

Speech – NO REPORT

Old Business – Band uniform update – Of the \$20k committed for the purchase of the band uniforms, \$15k has been provided to the school. \$10k was generated by the donations received from parents and our letter writing campaign and the other \$5k was paid from a PBJ2019 contribution. The remaining \$5k does not need to be paid until the spring of 2020. There is currently more than \$5k available in the uniform fund to pay this final installment. The total cost of the uniforms was \$41652.77. There continues to be talk of ordering a second batch (30-40 uniforms) in the future, in which FAB will also be requested to help support the purchasing efforts.

New Business - NO REPORT

Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm

Respectfully submitted by Kristin Swift, volunteer secretary