

Fine Arts Boosters Minutes

August 17, 2020

Members Present – Kelly Daniel, Russ Dorset, Denise Fick, Coren Hucke, Karen Keeran, Greg Milar, Courtney Morris, Angie O’Brien, Ryan Sweeney, Rich Powers, Laurel Swanson, Kristin Swift, Braden Wipperman

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Laurel Swanson, president.

Minutes from April – Members reviewed copies of the April board meeting. Kristin Swift made a motion to approve the minutes; Courtney Morris seconded. Motion passed. Noted that over the summer changes to reps: Kristin Swift is the treasurer to keep consistency with the Foundation accounts and Karen Keeran is the drama rep.

Financial Reports and Updates – Kristin Swift presented the financial report. The sponsorships from last year were moved into the general fund, as per annual change. \$600 in sponsorship has been made this year. Currently approximately \$5,600 in the Viewer’s Choice Fund. Discussion to separate out between the musical and choir as was the original plan with those funds with the goal to make the musical self-sufficient. Kristin Swift motioned to split the current balance 50/50 between musical and choir with choir receiving Viewer’s Choice funds moving forward. Karen Keeran seconded. Courtney Morris moved to approve the financial report. Angie O’Brien seconded.

Representative/Teacher Reports

Art – Mr. Vandelaar is looking at the option to do online competitions, if that is necessary. He plans to continue with the B-F Art shirt fundraiser in hopes to fund most of the submissions for Scholastics and All-State. He may be stepping in as the All-State Art Director to continue to keep that program going.

Band – Mr. Wipperman reported that there were three days of camp, which was then rescheduled to Saturday, August 29 for the full band due to weather. No morning rehearsals but planning to move forward with football games and competitions have been canceled or moved to online – the show is Beatles. The school is paying for covers for the appropriate instruments and special masks with slits for the students. \$400 from the band fund will be used to cover the cost of those masks. He picked up mellophones from Dubuque. All state will be held completely online.

Choir – Mr. Hucke reports the choir is singing with masks most of the time, outside or in the auditorium. He is not currently planning on an October concert but considering a recorded virtual choir of each section, using public domain so it can be shared. All state will be completely online with soloists only.

Drama – Russ Dorset reported the fall play will be Greek Mythology. Social distanced auditions with masks will happen the beginning of September. Two performances will be held the second week of November with 50% capacity in the auditorium which he doesn’t anticipate being an issue.

Speech – Angie O’Brien had no report from speech.

Old Business

Party of Bluejays – Currently scheduled for October 10 but that is yet to be determined.

Dr. Powers – Middle School band room, vocal rooms and storage nearly ready by Wednesday, August 19. He shared additional updates and information for the special election for the Bond Referendum September 8.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m. Swift moved to approve and Morris seconded.