

BHS Fine Arts Boosters Board Meeting

Monday, May 11, 2020 @ 7pm

Zoom conference call details:

Join Zoom meeting: <https://barrington220.zoom.us/j/84073413425>

Meeting ID: 840 7341 3425

Attendance: Jen Shimp, Claudette Lew, Lori Madison, Jenny Shannon, Dale Juffernbruch, Nicole Zielske, Noelle Boncher-Garcia, Angela Nazha, Kimberly Priola, Kelli Davenport

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Meeting called to Order at 7:06pm

Reports of Officers

- President – Jen Shimp
 - Jen Shimp thanked everyone for a great year. She has been honored to lead this group of dedicated and talented individuals and appreciates the opportunity to lead the FAB board again next year.
 - Jen thanked Claudette Lew and Paul Mahon for their service as Secretary and Treasurer, respectively. She also thanked Lori Madison for advising the group this year, and Brigid Tileston for all of her dedication and time spent supporting this group and our fine arts students. She ended her report with a thank you to all the boosters who were leaving the group this year: Claudette Lew, Paul Mahon, Lori Madison, Tracy Rivera, Christine Lunt, Marlene Snyder, Dale Juffernbruch and Leah Lazarri.
 - Another thank you to this year's Nominating Committee: Lori Madison, Angela Nazha, Mary Beaubien and Lynnette Farmer.
 - And she congratulated everyone on the 2020-2021 Slate. She is looking forward to getting to know each new member and work with them on another great year. There are still a few positions to fill, so she said efforts to fill them will continue into the fall if needed.
 - New member introductions included:
 - Jamie Brashler to replace Claudette as Secretary.
 - Jeff Roth to replace Paul Mahon as Treasurer.
 - Kimberly Priola to replace Lori Madison as Advisor.
 - Kimberly Priola will also come off the Citrus Committee and we are welcoming Suzanne Trent to the citrus team.
 - Keith Cosgrove will replace Tracy Rivera in concessions.
 - Liz Stark will be working with Elba on playbill.
 - Elizabeth Kitzman will be working with Noelle Boncher-Garcia on website.
 - Noelle Boncher-Garcia will be replacing Claudette as drama rep with Kimberly Priola.
 - Deb Watson will be replacing Dale Juffernbruch as orchestra rep.
 - Leah Kazagis will be replacing Leah Lazarri as visual arts rep.
- Secretary – Claudette Lew
 - Claudette asked for a review and approval of the March 2020 FAB meeting minutes. Dale Juffernbruch made the motion to approve and Jenny Shannon seconded. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.
- Treasurer – Paul Mahon
 - Unfortunately, Paul could not attend the meeting, so his report was given by Jen Shimp.
 - The P&L lists April month-end income as \$8,408.25 but does not yet reflect our passthrough contribution of corporate playbill sponsorships and

- concessions proceeds.
- There is also an additional \$1,000 earmarked for Guest Artists for the beginning of next year.
- Also, not all the funds were used under operations this year.
- We will probably end up very close to the original budget, slightly ahead of the original budget with a year-end income of \$2,352.

Report of Director of Fine, Visual and Performing Arts: Brigid Tileston

- BHS Fine Arts Department Update
 - Brigid updated the group with some of the activities the school would be doing to highlight BHS graduating fine arts seniors. There would be broadcasts to announce scholarship winners, and highlight achievements, as well as feature each senior on our social media platforms.
 - The virtual fine arts awards were sent out yesterday to senior families as part of the "15 Days of Seniors." I know this group would love to check it out as well! A special thanks to BHS-TV, Chase Shurtz and Jordan Janke for their work on making this special!
 - Thanks so much for all of the help and support!

Reports of Discipline Representatives

- Band - Elba Mitoraj & Deb Watson
 - Nothing to report
- BHS-TV - Kelly Trapp
 - BHS TV has been very busy helping create many of our recognition videos as well as special episodes of BHS TV to keep everyone connected during distance learning.
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=95Xsr6lzUDc>
- Choir - Kelli Davenport & Mary Beth Norton
 - Virtual Choir Open Mic Night - we hosted our first successful BHS choir open mic night on Saturday, April 25th. Students from each grade signed up to perform to share their music with their peers in a virtual format.
 - Choir Senior Decision Day - each year, we celebrate the decisions graduating seniors have made on decision day. This year we hosted our celebration via zoom and heard from each of our seniors regarding their plans for the future.
 - Uniform Collection - we collected choir uniforms and materials on Tuesday, May 5th at BHS.
 - Banquet - we will host a virtual choir banquet on Tuesday, May 26th. We will announce both the Phil Mark scholarship and Nancie Tobison Scholarship recipients, as well as the excellence in choir award. We look forward to celebrating all of the work our students have done this year in a virtual format.
- Dance - Katherine Logue & Jenny Shannon
 - Just like everyone else Orchesis dancers have had numerous events cancelled due to the pandemic. Included in these are our annual Spring Concert, The Illinois High School Dance Festival & Performance, our Fashion Show Fundraiser, and auditions for the 2020-2021 Company.
 - Our main focus has been on our seniors. Here are some of the ways in which we have been able to stay connected and honor our graduating seniors.
 - The Senior video from our Spring Concert was completed and released.
 - The video of the dance we would have performed at the State Festival, Tessa Carlascio's choreography, The Final Goodbye, was released.
 - The development of the Orchesis Senior "Spotlight". Daily we have honored our Seniors with a poster that includes their senior photo, a dance photo, and their statement of why Orchesis was important to them and what they learned by being part of Orchesis that they will take with them into their future.
 - Each class, freshmen, sophomore, and junior has a special goodbye they developed for the seniors.
 - Jeff Doles arranged an interview with senior Tessa Carlascio.

- The Spring Concert video has just been released.
 - I have submitted many photos & videos to the FA Department & BHS Administration to be included in their tributes to the seniors.
 - Orchesis seniors have been invited to come back and perform their Spring Concert solos in the fall Orchesis Concert.
 - Because we were not able to have the scheduled Orchesis auditions, all current Orchesis dancers will remain with the company without auditioning.
 - For all other students who are not currently in the Company (8th graders, freshmen, sophomore, & juniors) we developed a virtual audition.
 - Students received 5 videos of the audition techniques and combinations they needed to learn. They then submitted their 5 videos for the judges to view. And an optional video to help demonstrate their original skill, and artistry.
 - The 3 judges (all 3 have University Dance Degrees) spent 9 hours Saturday in a zoom session to view and judge all 50 submissions (6 videos per audition)
- **Drama - Claudette Lew & Kimberly Priola**
 - We have created a digital storybook version of our spring play The Little Prince that I am finishing up editing today and will send out to the district tomorrow. Actors and I have continued to rehearse weekly to complete an adaptation of the stage play we planned to perform and the original text of the book The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry. In addition, our actors have created drawing tutorials for images from the play that were shared with our elementary school art teachers as an optional lesson for art students during E-Learning. The digital version of The Little Prince will also be shared out through our elementary school librarians as an optional lesson plan for students, as the text is part of their curriculum. I will link the art videos below and share our storybook version performance of Little Prince once editing is completed.
 - We hosted a drama club movie night where we used zoom screen share to watch Disney's Tangled! I think the event was a success and students enjoyed watching the film and interacting with one another using the chat feature as we watched the film.
 - We are taking our annual Senior Showcase event that typically happens at the Barrington White House and pairing it with our Drama Club Banquet as a way to have seniors perform with a wider audience base. Seniors will be sending in videos of themselves singing a song of their choice and we will use those videos to open for our drama club banquet. Banquet will take place this Friday, May 15th via zoom! An invitation has been sent out to current drama club students and parents. We are excited about the opportunity to acknowledge all of the hard work students have put into the department this year.
 - **Orchestra - Dale Juffernbruch**
 - Nothing to report
 - **Visual Arts - Leah Lazzari**
 - Nothing to report

Reports of Standing Committees

- **Student Board - Sakina Hamwi**
 - Nothing to report
- **Scholarship – Angela Nazha & Christine Lunt**
 - We had 8 applicants for the Nancie Kozel Tobison Scholarship this year. The winners for the Nancie Kozel Tobison Scholarship were chosen by Brandon Pemberton & Nancie Kozel Tobison. The winners were notified, plaques were ordered and letters were mailed. We had one applicant for the Phil Mark Scholarship and they were notified as well. Both awards will be presented at the online awards ceremony on May 26th. The scholarship committee is planning to order a new perpetual plaque for the Phil Marks scholarship once school resumes.
 - We did have one applicant for the Interlochen Scholarship. Mary Ellen Luft applied and received this scholarship. Due to the current Covid-19 quarantine, Interlochen has cancelled all summer camps for 2020. Her acceptance into the camp was transferred to next summer and we will issue her scholarship check closer to the time of the camp next spring.

- Also, Christine Lunt has decided to step down from her position as scholarship co-chair for the 2020-2021 school year. We are currently looking for a volunteer to fill this position. Please contact Jennifer Shimp or Angela Nazha know if you are interested or know anyone who may be interested in this role.
- Membership – Jeri Broderick, Kelli Davenport, Mary Beaubien, Lynnette Farmer
 - Reminder to all graduating seniors, a college student booster membership is now available online.
- Alumni – Diane Mahon & Paul Mahon
 - Nothing to report
- Playbill – Elba Mitoraj
 - Nothing to report
- Citrus Fundraiser – Kimberly Priola, Katherine Logue, Maggie Bogue, Elizabeth McCoy, Danielle Thome
 - Nothing to report
- Concessions – Tracy Stenson-Rivera
 - Nothing to report
- Publicity – Noelle Boncher-Garcia, Nicole Zielske
 - Have been very busy posting senior profiles to social media to honor our fine arts graduating seniors.
- Website – Noelle Boncher-Garcia
- Advisor - Lori Madison
 - Nothing to report

New Business

- Jen Shimp announced plans to schedule a few Executive Board Meetings over the summer so the new members can get acquainted and make plans for next year's budget.
- She encouraged each committee to set some time aside this summer to meet as a group or zoom to determine goals and plans for next year. Jen would be happy to attend any of those meetings if requested.
- A new meeting schedule for the coming academic year will be released soon, with hopes to keep most of the meetings on the second Monday of the month. The first meeting will tentatively be on Monday, September 14th at 7pm.

Adjourn

Dale Juffernbruch made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:14pm. Jenny Shannon seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

For information on BHS Fine Arts events, please check the [BHS Fine Arts Calendar](#). 2019-2020 BHS Performing Arts Dates: [click here](#)