

BHS Fine Arts Boosters Board Meeting
Monday, October 12 @ 7pm
Zoom Meeting

AGENDA

Call to Order 7:02 pm

Reports of Officers

- President – Jen Shimp
 - Jen purchased 250 car decals for \$107 and will mail to all Boosters in appreciation of their support. Extras may be sold through concessions.
- Secretary – Jamie Brashler
 - Attendance
 - **Present:** Brigid Tileston, Jen Shimp, Jamie Brashler, Kimberly Priola, Mary Beaubien, Maggie Bogue, Jeri Broderick, Keith Colgrove, Lynnette Farmer, Noelle Boncher-Garcia, Sakina Hamwi, Kelly Henry, Leah Kazagis, Elizabeth Kitzman, Katherine Logue, Elizabeth McCoy, Elba Mitoraj, Angela Nazha, Jenny Shannon, Liz Szarek, Danielle Thome, Deb Watson, Nicole Zielske
 - **Absent:** Jeff Roth, MaryBeth Norton, Suzanne Trent
 - Kimberly moved to approve the May 2020 meeting minutes; Leah seconded and the motion was passed by the Board.
 - Jen moved to approve the September 2020 meeting minutes; Leah seconded and the motion was passed by the Board.
- Treasurer – Jeff Roth (absent, no report)

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

- BHS Fine Arts Department Update
 - Winter festival/holiday drive through tentatively scheduled for December 11-13
 - Allow families to drive around the high school building and enjoy outdoor presentations by the Fine Arts department including Madrigals performance and tech crew light show
 - Discussed with Steve McWilliams and Student Council about making it a larger, collaborative event
 - Asking different groups including elementary schools to decorate trees.
 - Jen will email the Board to gauge interest in a tree.

Reports of Discipline Representatives

- Band - Elba Mitoraj
 - Tonight's student performance on the football field is being recorded.
- BHS-TV - Kelly Henry
 - Students filed three episodes of BHS-TV.
 - Equipment was distributed to students' homes to enable editing.
 - Students live-streamed girls' swimming and diving competition.
 - "Safety Dance" created by BHS-TV was highlighted on WGN and Fox 32.
 - ESPN Video Editor and BHS alumnus Cameron Good (2009) will share his experience with students.
 - BHS alumna Alex Elich (2011) was recognized as one of the Top 30 Under 30 "Future Leaders of Charlotte".
- Choir - Mary Beth Norton & Lynnette Farmer
 - Sixty-three students participated in "Spotlight on 24" with a video release October 9.

- Choirs are preparing for their video concert to be released October 23, including some on-campus recordings.
- Madrigals rehearse two times each week, including one virtual and one on-campus rehearsal.
- Dance - Katherine Logue & Jenny Shannon
 - Our Homecoming Dance was filmed on September 21st, on the football field, under the lights. The dancers were thrilled to have this opportunity. We will use this video in our Fall Concert and also be ready for Homecoming, whenever it happens.
 - Currently we are rehearsing in-person on the outdoor stage, when weather permits. We have completed 10 dances to be included in our virtual Fall Concert. Six of the dances are from our Spring Concert that was cancelled. Choreographers have done a great job adjusting their choreography to meet CDC guidelines and fit on the outdoor stage.
 - Last week dancers picked up their costumes for the concert in garment bags with the Orchesis logo on them. We will be ready for the videotaping of our concert, which is scheduled for Monday, October 26 & Tuesday, October 27. By that point in time the outdoor stage will have an apron, a canopy, and a material backdrop in place. Rehearsals will be after school on those days with the filming at night. Amy's crew built stairs for access to the stage and under Amy's direction will set up lighting equipment for the evening tapings. We are very thankful to be part of the Barrington High School Fine Arts Department.
 - The release date for our concert is Friday, November 13th. I can't wait to see what our videographers will do with our art!
- Drama - Kimberly Priola & Noelle Boncher-Garcia
 - Paula provided posters for both Fall productions (which I can add to the FAB website and Nicole can use for social media).
 - Ticket links will be up shortly on the BHS Website.
 - At in-person performances we will be handing out paper programs.
 - For streamed performances, they will be sending a link to the email address used to purchase tickets and it will also include a digital version of the program.
 - The Winter Play has been announced and we will be doing a production of **Clue, High School Edition, By: Johnathon Lynn**. And let's face it, we can all use a little bit of comedy right now: "Based on the iconic 1985 Paramount movie which was inspired by the classic Hasbro board game, **Clue** is a hilarious farce-meets-murder mystery. The tale begins at a remote mansion, where six mysterious guests assemble for an unusual dinner party where murder and blackmail are on the menu. When their host turns up dead, they all become suspects. Led by the Wadsworth – the butler, Miss Scarlett, Professor Plum, Mrs. White, Mr. Green, Mrs. Peacock and Colonel Mustard race to find the killer as the body count stacks up. **Clue** is the comedy whodunit that will leave both cult-fans and newcomers in stitches as they try to figure out... WHO did it, WHERE, and with WHAT!"
 - They are particularly excited about this production because it allows BHS to have streaming rights to 1) perform and stream out or 2) pre-record and share, depending on the restrictions as we move into winter. Additionally, they have some creative ideas should any restrictions move backwards- but we will cross our fingers for a live performance on stage!
 - Our Winter Experimental has been announced and is called "BHS LIVE From Home" which will be a student written production modeled off of SNL Live from Home. Students will write their own sketches to perform and record from home! Just like SNL, we will have a musical guest (or 2) and a "Celebrity" monologue :)
 - They are planning on announcing the Musical this week. The delay has come from making sure we are making the best possible choices to keep students safe while providing meaningful theatrical experiences!
 - In addition to all the wonderful things occurring in the theater program, the Fine Arts Department will be offering a drive thru holiday lights experience. It will feature small live performances from some of our instrumentalists, choir students, orchesis members, and theater

students as well as the holiday episode from our TV station and a light show set to music from our tech students. Clubs have begun to sponsor trees that will be displayed around the building for viewing and projected logos to appear on the building as well. We look forward to all of our upcoming events and are excited to get back to work!

- Orchestra - Deb Watson
 - Students are practicing in small groups via Zoom, but the lag time makes it difficult. No performance is scheduled.
- Visual Arts - Leah Kazagis (absent)
 - Teachers created visual arts kits for students at the beginning of the year that they will bring to school when the hybrid schooling starts.

Reports of Standing Committees

- Membership - Mary Beaubien, Jeri Broderick & Lynnette Farmer
 - Membership collected \$6,400 from 50 donors.
 - 2020 BHS graduates were emailed a survey including an offer for \$25/year membership. Membership hopes to include updates about alumni in the newsletter.
 - Membership sent an email to thank 2020-21 Boosters and Jen is mailing a car decal and note of appreciation to them.
 - Jen encouraged all Board members to become a Booster.
- Playbill - Elba Mitoraj & Liz Szarek
 - The committee contacted 235 companies with Keith's assistance and secured nine sponsors.
 - Barrington Children's Choir paid twice last year; the committee agreed to carry over one payment to 2020-21.
- Scholarship - Angela Nazha
 - The fall stipend application window is now open. As was decided at the September Fine Arts Booster meeting, we will offer the stipends once this year and will be offering 60 scholarships. The application window opened today and will be open for two weeks closing at midnight on October 25, 2020. These stipends are not need based, instead they are a means for our families to offset the costs of lessons/classes. If a student is taking lessons/classes outside of BHS in any area of the arts (including band, orchestra, choir, acting, dance, visual arts or TV production), we encourage you to apply for a stipend. *Note: Only one stipend per year/per family is allowed*
 - In addition, we are still looking for a volunteer to take over as scholarship chair starting January 1, 2021.
- Fundraiser - Maggie Bogue, Katherine Logue, Elizabeth McCoy, Danielle Thome, & Suzanne Trent
 - Pizza and toffee sales launched today through October 26.
 - The committee thanked Jeff, Kimberly and Paul for their assistance with Weebly and PayPal and Noelle for publicity.
- Student Board - Sakina Hamwi
 - Brigid distributed Student Board applications to the school community. There were 31 applicants, including lots of freshmen. Eighteen applications were received last year. Decisions will be made early next week.
- Publicity - Elizabeth Kitzman & Nicole Zielske
 - Publicity posted pdf and link for schedule. They will post the posters and would love to include fundraising and stipend information.
 - Brigid will check with Brandon to find out if the "Spotlight on 24" link may be shared..
- Website – Noelle Boncher-Garcia & Elizabeth Kitzman
 - Lots of changes were made to the site including changing "College Student" to "Alumni".
 - Jen asked the Website committee to send the list of subscribers to the Membership committee.
- Concessions – Keith Colgrove

- Sweet Spot will have hot chocolate and vintage candy available to purchase at “War of the Worlds”. Concessions may also sell car decals.
- Keith may need assistance on October 24 with concessions.
- Advisor - Kimberly Priola (no report)

New Business (no New Business)

Adjourn

- Anglea motioned to adjourn the meeting; Deb seconded and the motion was passed by the Board at 7:50 pm.

Next Meeting: November 9, 2020 @ 7 pm via Zoom