

Barrington High School Fine Arts Boosters

Minutes of the Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 9, 2018

Location: BHS Room C271

24 Attended: Lori Madison, Adriana Rahfaldt, Claudette Lew, Brigid Tileston, Paul Mahon, Diane Mahon, Rachel Baer, Maggie Bogue, Kimberly Priola, Tracy Rivera, Elizabeth McCoy, Jeri Broderick, Kelli Davenport, Elba Mitoraj, Angela Nazha, Jen Shimp, Deb Watson, Kelly Trapp, Jenny Shannon, Therese Davis, Dale Juffernbruch, Leah Lazzari, Nicole Higgins.

Call to Order: 7:06PM

Welcome and Introductions – Lori Madison

Reports of Officers

Secretary – Claudette Lew

- Passed around sign-in sheet
- The September meeting minutes were presented. Jen Shimp made a motion to approve the September 2018 meeting minutes. Tracy Rivera seconded the motion. All voted in favor, and the September 2018 meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer – Adriana Rahfaldt

- Presented the September financials.
- Made the request to the group to fill out expense reports when invoices need to be paid, rather than only sending the invoices to her. The expense report forms are available on the website.

President – Lori Madison

- Reported that she attended (and enjoyed) her very first choir concert this month.
- Thanked the membership and citrus committee for their hard work during these two most recent fundraising campaigns.
- Explained that the topic of the Interlochen fund will remain in “Old Business” until she has completed additional research and is ready to present this information to the group.

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

- Reported on an exciting start to the school year in Fine Arts. Choir had a successful first concert, and there are a lot of activities coming up. She was also impressed by the large stack of citrus envelopes she saw for the fundraiser. It seemed to her that the faculty was much more engaged this year.
- Adriana Rahfaldt added that there had been about \$4,000 in online orders for the citrus sale this year.

Reports of Discipline Representatives

Band - Elba Mitoraj

- Mr. Kieran made a request for new marching baritones and requested assistance in obtaining guest artists for jazz.
- 3 students were accepted into the ILMEA this year in trumpet and percussion.

BHS-TV - Kelly Trapp

- BHS-TV created several videos for the recent Educational Foundation fundraiser.

- The BHS-TV truck and students participated in the Homecoming parade.
- BHS-TV students created a video for the district initiative "3 Simple Steps, Start with Hello"
- 10 BHS-TV students will be attending the National Television Awards ceremony Oct 18 in LA
- Liam Meyer and crew created a video about teachers recreating vines that went viral with over 20,000 views already.
- Filmed several football games and live streamed two girl's volleyball games.
- Filmed choir performance

Choir - Kelli Davenport & Mary Beth Norton

- Completed fall choir concert on October 3, 2018.
- Caity Kania's first concert with choir went very well.
- The fall fundraiser, the Mum sale, wrapped up and the choir kids sold \$12,000 worth of plants (1,000 plants) and made \$7,500 for their personal fine arts accounts.
- The freshman show is this week Thursday and Friday, October 11 & 12 in the Black Box Theatre.
- The Holiday Choir Concert is Friday, December 7th.
- The Madrigal performers have been selected and have begun practicing. There will be two ensembles this year, a mixed ensemble and an all-female ensemble. The link for tickets is live on the website. There will be two Madrigal feasts this year held at Mackray Golf Club on December 2nd, at 12noon, and 6pm. The silent auction will be part of both events.
- 7 students tried out for this year's ILMEA competition. 2 students were accepted: Heather Hess and Deedee Sutger.

Dance - Katherine Logue & Jenny Shannon

- HOMECOMING ASSEMBLY – Friday, September 28, Orchesis dancers performed for the student body in the Homecoming Assembly. The dance they performed was a music collage of Outer Space music, which related to the Homecoming theme of "Rocket It". It was very well received by the audience and fun to perform!
- GIORDANO DANCE CHICAGO RESIDENCY – Orchesis & the dance classes are currently in their second day of the Giordano Dance Chicago Residency. The professional dancers are working with the upper level dance classes (Dance I, II & III) throughout the week. Monday, Paula Nowak's 1st hour acting class experienced a dance class. They learned the dance "One" from A Chorus Line. On Monday Giordano dancers also taught a master classes for Clark Sheldon's 5th hour Orchestra class based on Latin rhythms, which is the focus for Orchestra student's current music studies. On Friday, Brandon Pemberton's 1st hour choir class will learn a dance based in musical theatre. The two sophomore level Dance Classes will have their master classes on Tuesday.
- GIORDANO DANCE PERFORMANCE – Giordano Dance Chicago will perform their Chicago Harris Theatre program here at BHS on Thursday, October 11, from 1:00 – 3:22 pm. All Performing & Visual art classes were invited to attend the performance. All 7 dance classes will attend the performance. We hope our Fine Arts Booster Board and booster members will attend tomorrow's performance as well!
- ORCHESIS MAIN STAGE PERFORMANCE – Orchesis continues to work on their upcoming concert entitled "This Is Us". The concert consists of eleven student choreographed works and six guest artist pieces. Professional guest artists for Freshmen Orchesis Dancers are: Jacqueline Stewert & Lauren

Spoehr. Professional guest artists for Sophomore, Junior & Senior Orchestras are: Gena Brady, Sarah Ford Hardy, & Jessica Deahr. Pointe dancers worked with Joffrey Ballet Faculty member Lynne Alberding to produce the pointe piece. We hope that our Fine Arts Booster Board and members will attend the concert. Ticket sales open to all Booster members will open later this week!

- Performances are Friday & Saturday, October 26 & 27 @ 7:00 pm and Sunday, October 28 @ 2:00 pm. Please join us!

Drama - Therese Davis & Claudette Lew

- No report

Orchestra - Dale Juffernbruch

- Mr. Sheldon reported that 8 students were selected for the ILMEA orchestra this year and 1 student was selected for the All National Honor Orchestra.
- The orchestra will learn the Mambo from Westside Story from the Giordano dance team and they will perform it at the Orchestra Concert on October 16th.

Visual Arts - Leah Lazzari

- Visual arts students recently completed a trip to the Botanical Gardens

Reports of Standing Committees

Student Board - Sarah Parrish

Sarah Parrish not in attendance, but Brigid Tileston reported they were excited to be included in the yearbook and this year, upperclassmen will take on more responsibility.

Scholarship – Jen Shimp & Angela Nahza

The fall stipend email went out and 49 applications had already been received. More promotion may be needed in visual arts. Most applications were for orchestra and voice. A suggestion was made to possibly revisit the copy to make sure it's clear that visual arts and dance are also included. Another mention was made to reword the explanation of when the funds from the stipend awards should be used.

Membership – Jeri Broderick & Kelli Davenport

The new promotional items were a big hit. Still working on getting alumni memberships, but we're getting more visibility from teachers who are promoting us.

Alumni – Judy Bruce & Diane Mahon

Working with Brigid Tileston on her database (which is based on ticket sales) to reach out to alumni. A procedure will be put in place regarding how we approach these people.

Playbill – Elba Mitoraj

We obtained 15 business sponsors this year. Most payments have been made and most ads have been received. The deadline for submission was October 1st. Most former sponsors returned, did not hear back from two or so. We picked up two new sponsors. The total business sponsorship for this school year so far is \$4500.

Citrus Fundraiser – Rachel Baer, Maggie Bogue, Katherine Logue, Kimberly Priola & Carrie Stegvik

Sale is officially closed but we are still taking orders if they come in. We are compiling orders and totals and preparing for pick ups on December 6, 7, & 8.

Thursday 12/6 from 3-7pm

Friday 12/7 from 3-5 pm

Saturday 12/8 from 10am-1pm

A request was made that anyone who was available, help out with citrus pick ups.

Concessions – Tracy Stenson-Rivera

Tracy will order water, candy and snacks to sell during intermissions. For Drama, a meeting needs to be coordinated with Paula Nowak. Katherine Logue or Jenny Shannon usually handle concessions for dance. Choir will sell concessions for the December and May concerts.

Tracy will need to ask about a new cupboard key because the cabinet has been sticking. She will need a work order for that.

Website – Noelle Boncher-Garcia

Fall 2018 Lesson / Class Stipends details and application link are now on the FAB website and will be expiring on Friday evening at 11:59pm.

Citrus Sale information has been removed as of October 8th at 11:59pm and the pick up information will remain on the site.

Minutes from the Sept 10th meeting and all future meetings will be posted to the website under the “Documents and Meeting Minutes” tab as soon as they are made available.

Please contact Noelle Garcia at nboncher@boncherwales.net if you would like anything added to the FAB website.

Publicity – Paul Mahon

Our primary means of communication right now is the FAB website, where events can be promoted. We are trying to find a way to develop a newsletter to talk about what kids are doing after graduation, e.g., kids are on elite university a capella groups. Between alumni, membership and publicity, we can start using a newsletter as a communications vehicle. Please inform Paul Mahon of anything you’d like to promote.

Advisor - Paul Mahon

Paul attended the Blueprint 2020 committee meeting with Lori Madison. The committee’s goal is to develop the actual language to be used for the referendum question that will be on the election ballot in April. In one scenario, they are asking for a new performing arts center. It appears the school board is placing a lot of importance on a new performing arts center. There are 4 committee meetings on the referendum language. By the end of the 4th meeting, we will have a better idea of the actual language. Lori Madison suggested everyone look at the Blueprint 2020 website and really understand what is being proposed.

Old Business

Interlochen Fund background information

New Business

None

Motion to adjourn was made by Leah Lazzari and seconded by Tracy Rivera.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:21PM.

Adjourn 8:21PM

Next Meeting: November 5 in Room C271 @ 7pm