Friends of Berlin Performing Arts Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2019

Call to Order

Melissa Hagerman, FBPA President called to order the regular meeting of the FBPA boosters at 7:05 p.m. on March 11, 2019 at the Olentangy Berlin High School Orchestra Room

Attendees

The following Board Members and Directors were present: Melissa Hagerman, Denise Cambier, Patricia Walker, Rosemarie Welch Mr. Sribanditmongkol, and Ms. Henning.

The following non-Board members were present: Mike Hagerman, Lauri Webb, Tricia Brown, Laura Zimmerman, Kariena Turner, Cherie Mannino, and Jennifer Thacker.

Minutes

Minutes from this meeting and others are available on line on our website at www.fbpa.art.

Treasurer's Report

Reconciled balance as of 03/11/2019 was \$41,107.62. A summary of the Treasurer's Report will be available on the website. Full reports are available upon request.

The IRS required some additional documentation for the 501(C)(3) status. The additional information was promptly provided and follow up will occur next week.

We are looking for an independent tax firm to handle our taxes and to conduct a formal audit. Goal is to have the firm selected by April 30, 2019.

As of June 30, 2019, Berkshire Middle will be part of us. 70% of the Berkshire students will go to Berlin High School.

FBPA Happenings

Fbpa.art is our website and it has been updated with minutes, bylaws, pictures and other information. The website is always changing. Pictures from Seussical, etc can also be found on the website.

Suggestions were made to improve fbpa.art. Linking a Google calendar with events may make it easier to see what is going on. Tabs at the top of the page to easily get to information may help as well.

Remember to follow us on Facebook and Twitter as well!

Fundraisers: Butter Braids through Monday, March 18, 2019. Stock up now!

OBHS music signs – form is online. We can now put athletics on the sign! We will also have stickers to add on to any athletic signs you may have already purchased.

Bricks for outside on the theater – they will located on the wall as soon as you walk into the theater. 18 bricks have been sold so far. They are \$75 each. Form is available on the website. Put a family name or student name on the brick (max 3 lines, 16 characters per line).

Truck – We had a possibility of a truck. The truck was not approved by the transportation department due to being a Sprinter and maintenance. The foreman for the district, however, indicated that the busses that are out of commission could be used for our purpose. The seats can be taken out. A wrap (in sections) can be purchased for the bus. Driver will have to have a CDL.

Concessions for outdoor spring sports will open soon. We have to wait until the threat of water freezing passes in order to turn on the water in the building. We will be providing concessions for 9 Varsity baseball games. Parents and students can volunteer to assist with concessions. Students will earn service hours for organizations such as Service Club, National Honor Society and Interact.

Director Reports:

1. Ms. Henning (Orchestra)

Contests are over. The final concert will be on May 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. This will be a ticketed event and will be a rock concert.

The orchestra could use garment bags for the tuxedos and pearls for the girls. Right now, because the girls came from different schools, they have different formal black dresses. The pearl necklaces would help to draw their look together.

2. Mr. Reeves (Band) by Mr. Sribanditmongkol

Jazz night is March 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Enter through the backdoor. Jazz Band and show choir will be on the stage with the audience.

District contest is Saturday for choir and concert bands. A parent will be needed to transport the larger instruments to Granville Saturday morning.

3. Mr. Sribanditmongkol (Choir)

A parent is needed for each bus on Saturday for Districts.

The musical was a **HUGE** success! It was a unifying moment for the performing arts department since students from all areas participated. Berlin students have amazing talent! 1,525 tickets were sold!! Thank you to the parents who were highly supportive and created a network of support.

Alice's Piece of Cake in Powell donated a cake for the show. Please support this business that supports us!

A parent meeting for current and future show choir students will occur on March 18, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. The director and the choreographer will be there. An outline for next year, including goals, will be presented.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes taken by Rosemarie Welch, Secretary of FBPA