

Friends of Berlin Performing Arts

Meeting Minutes

February 12, 2019

Call to Order

Melissa Hagerman, FBPA President called to order the regular meeting of the FBPA boosters at 7:05 p.m. on February 12, 2019 at the Olentangy Berlin High School Orchestra Room

Attendees

The following Board Members and Directors were present: Mr. Spinner, Mr. Reeves, Ms. Henning, Mr. Sribanditmongkol (virtually), Ms. Gibbons (virtually for her report) Melissa Hagerman, Denise Cambier, Patricia Walker, Laura Zimmerman and Rosemarie Welch.

The following non-Board members were present: Hayley Edgson, Jennifer Thacker, Sonya Dunnick and Mike Hagerman.

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 02/10/2019 was \$43,061.92. A summary of the Treasurer's Report will be available on the website. Full reports are available upon request.

We submitted one 1099 form which was for Sarah Dove.

The 501(C)(3) has not been received from the IRS yet. Delays may be due to government shut down.

We are looking for an independent tax firm to handle our taxes and to conduct a formal audit.

FBPA Happenings

Fbpa.art is our website and it has been updated with minutes, bylaws, pictures and other information.

Policies for the operation of the Board were drafted by Denise Cambier. These policies have been approved and adopted. They will be available on the website.

Concession stand policies will also be adopted. A cash reconciliation form has been developed to use for each cash drawer for concessions. Cashiers will each be assigned a drawer and will need to count the drawer at the beginning and then again at the end.

FBPA wrote one check from our funds for the piano. The piano will now run through the school in a non-activities account instead of FBPA. If something is related to the school, monies goes into an activity account for the school. If it is booster money, the monies will go through FBPA.

Truck – We have a truck that is ours at the end of the month. It is a 2008 Sprinter Van with a 13 foot box. The most FBPA will have to pay for it is \$2500. The truck will have a wrap and will say Olentangy Berlin Music and will have the bear logo on it. The school will actually own the truck and pay for the costs of maintenance, gas and insurance.

We would like to do a butter braids fundraiser. Any director has the option of doing the fundraiser. If none of the directors are interested, FBPA will do the fundraiser.

Concessions are opening on March 2, 2019. Mr. Spinner will get email addresses of performing arts parents to Hayley to reach out to for help in the concession stands.

Concessions at Berkshire Middle School were well-received and \$337.57 was made during the solo and ensemble competition. These monies are going into a fund for Berkshire for when they become part of us on June 30.

Mr. Bower is willing to take the photo of choir, orchestra and theater. Directors need to contact him to get this scheduled. He also has photos on his website and is working on options for purchase of these photos.

18 bricks have been down and are ready to be hung. Bricks can be purchased online for \$75.

1. Mr. Sribanditmongkol (Choir)

Two more students joined chorus in January. A district wide 8th grade choir concert was held and it included all of the high school directors. This is the third year for this concert. The goal is for retention of students.

Musical – the first run through of Act 1 off of the books was held and went very smoothly. The musical has a great cast and a great cast of understudies. An understudy show will be held during tech week.

District Contest is March 15 or 16. \$210 per group. \$240 for state per group and \$255 for out of region. The initial fee is paid by the activities fund and then state will be paid by FBPA.

2. Ms. Henning (Orchestra)

Solo and ensemble went smoothly. The large group is a week from Saturday. Check has gone out to OMEA.

Contest Preview Concert is February 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

The musical includes 4 string players and 3 band students.

3. Mr. Reeves (Band)

The last pep band game is this Friday. The game is against Delaware Hayes. Report time is 5:45 or 6:00 p.m. Pizza and drinks for the kids.

There will be 3 combined band rehearsal dates. Each rehearsal is from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. The dates are: February 18, March 4, and March 8.

Preview concert with choir will be March 10 at 3:00 p.m. The concert will be similar to the OMEA contest and will include sight reading.

District performance will be March 15 or 16. Exact date will be known a couple of weeks in advance.

Chief of Police in Powell reached out and asked the Olentangy Berlin Band to perform in the Powell Memorial Day parade on May 27.

Summer Camp Dates are tentatively:

 Show Choir: week of July 22 Monday – Friday from 8a.m. – 4p.m.

 Band: July 28-Aug. 1 Sunday – Thursday.

Band Camp is an away camp and may be at Recreation Unlimited near Ashley this year. This is a nicer camp and features 2 dorms. The area is flat as well. There is a big rehearsal space, a pool and a track. It will only be \$20-\$30 more expensive but will meet our needs much better.

Fees were not assessed by the school for marching band/concert band in the fall. Those fees have now been uploaded and should be found in PowerSchool.

4. Erin Gibbons (Theater)

Musical is going very well. Today's rehearsal was very smooth. Props have been acquired.

Theater would benefit from 6 mics/receivers for the musical. That is the biggest immediate need for theater currently.

Someone will need to collect money at the theater production.

New Business

A scholarship fund for students who cannot afford to pay the fees in the performing arts was discussed. Communication should come from the directors as those students are identified.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Minutes taken by Rosemarie Welch, Secretary of FBPA