

Plymouth High School Fine Arts Boosters March 28, 2023 meeting

Approved minutes

Attendance: Amanda Smith, Caren Johnson, Steven Crumley, Scott Bunyea, Jack Colombo, Beth and Mike Artery, Cody Wisman, Billie Rau, Shawna Halle, Terri and Jeremy Boxrucker

- **1. Call to Order** 5:38 by Steven Crumley
- **2. Secretary's Report** Review of minutes from 2/21/23. Motion to approve Caren Johnson, second Billie Rau.

3. Treasurer's Report

- a. Balances
 - i. Checking Account \$11,324.47, checks were cut for \$94.50 for stamps for the Footloose fundraiser, and transferred \$1110 to the choir account.
 - ii. Chorus Account \$1998.98, transferred \$1110.00 to checking for check #1026
 - iii. Band Account \$3084.07 Approved at 2/21/23 meeting to spend up to \$1200 for lederhosen and \$200 for jazz soloist, checks not not written yet, Mr. Wisman will provide follow-up info at this meeting on these topics.
 - iv. CD \$5570.75
- b. James imaging contact \$406.78 billed. It's about \$42 per month with a set number of copies being 3333- probably will be \$600.00 total with overages. The school year ebbs and flows with the amount of copies needed each month. Mike will see what the numbers looked like last year and will check with the company to see if this plan can be revised to fit the needs of the staff.
- c. Art account tabled for further discussion. Mike will get some more information. Some of the checking accounts have fees attached to them and others don't. It may be beneficial to put the money all in one account to avoid fees. Will discuss at the next meeting.
- d. Footloose donations: Culver's donated \$100. Marshall sign donated \$150. Waldo State Bank donated \$200. Subway contacted Beth Artery and stated they will cut a check for \$100 for the 10% of sales event on 3/18. The snow storm hampered sales that day. Devour ran a 10% of profits event on 3/10. That check has not been received. Devour had a bucket at the counter. That total is not available at this time. Amanda Smith will check with the Erley's. Bucket donations from the musical totalled \$117.05.

Motion to approve Treasurer's report, Shawna Halle, second, Caren Johnson.

4. Teachers' Reports

a. Amanda Smith- March was busy and successful- Solo/Ensemble: Choir sent 61 events to District with 34 *1st, State is 4/29 at UWM. Footloose was wonderful and very well attended. They sold overflow balcony tickets for 3 of 4 of the shows. It was a huge hit with the public. The NYC Nationals trip went smoothly. The students received good and constructive

- feedback, they learned a lot and saw a lot during their trip. Choir will perform their NYC concert 3/30. Then, they will be in "Cabaret mode". That performance is May 19th.
- b. Carter Krzyzaniak- Not in attendance Momentum on hiatus until April 4th.
- c. Allison Schwartz- Not in attendance, JP performs Friday, April 14th in the Amp.
- d. Jack Columbo- May 31 and June 1 Drama II/III will present "The Night Witches" which is about a group of female Soviet Red Army fighter pilots (the 588th Night Bomber Regiment), feared by the Germans during WWII. The auditions for the 2023 Fall play and One Act will be Late May or Early June.
- e. Ryan Krippendorf- Not in attendance. The Alumni Art Show will be held at Generations April 20th. The Senior Show is in late May.
- f. Cody Wisman- Disney trip preparations: 1st payment due the day before Memorial Day Break, Mr. Wisman is working with Amy Williams to get Florida state tax exemption status to save money. They are going by coach bus. Follow-up on lederhosen- with shipping the total is \$1125.00. They are being shipped from Germany at a reduced cost. The Jazz band will perform at the Plymouth Arts Center 4/3/23. A professor from UW-Platteville will be the guest artist. German Night is July 27th at City Park. The band will march in the Memorial Day parade. Solo/Ensemble, 96 band events entered with 18 *1st going to state 4/29 at UWM.

5. Ongoing Business

- a. Scholarships- Summer Camp Scholarship application was reviewed. Updates were suggested. Beth Artery will edit and share with Terri Boxrucker who will need to send it to all the Fine Arts Staff at PHS and Riverview.
- b. Shoe Drive- The Boxruckers shared that 734 pairs of shoes were collected. Several non-athletic shoes were donated. Those in decent repair were given to Goodwill. Worn, non-athletic shoes were thrown out but there were only 40-50 pairs of shoes that met that criteria. GotSneakers will sort any shoes that arrive by the 15th of the month and send an e-check the following month. About 700 pounds of sneakers were sent via FedEx 3/28 with probably another 200 pounds waiting to be shipped when more shipping bags arrive. The shoes themselves will not be a big money maker but the donations were helpful and it did promote the musical and FAB. Members shared anecdotes that they heard from people that the shoe drive prompted them to attend or reminded them of the dates of the show.
- c. German Night Concessions- Discussion about planning took place. The binders need updating, there are can koozies left to sell which were popular last year, 50/50 raffle was discussed- since it's a city band event vs a FAB event, Cody will discuss with the City Band director to see if they are okay with us holding a raffle. We'll need a license to hold the raffle. Lots of volunteers are needed. The group would like to see an insert or QR code in the fine arts performance programs from now until the end of the year.

- d. Fundraising committee will hold a virtual meeting April 18th. German night planning and other fundraising ideas during German Night will be the topic. Terri will build the google meet and share with those in attendance and on the FAB facebook page.
- e. Volunteer opportunities- Ryan K. needs help with Generations Art night- Terri needs to contact Ryan K. to see what we need to do to recruit volunteers, Bucket holders for the Carnegie Choir show 3/30 since we don't need ushers to hand out programs. Terri needs to build a signup genius. German Night will need to be promoted to build a volunteer base.
- f. Communication- Caren Johnson pointed out the information for tonight's meeting was not on the district website. Terri will need to send the approved minutes and the next meeting date to Jamie P. Fine Arts staff are working on a newsletter. Info about German Night will be included in this newsletter to help facilitate interest in volunteering. Terri needs to build a QR code for the remaining high school performance programs.

6. New Business & Open Comments

Scott Bunyea updated the boosters on the upgrades needed for the auditorium. An estimate was shared with the District Administration. Steven looked into the Kohler Foundation- which awards money 1x/yr- it specifically says no building funds are awarded. We would need to show that we are bringing a new experience to the school with the theater upgrades, we would need to be hosting events and be seen as a showcase school. Members mentioned partnering with PEF to utilize their 501c3 status for larger or corporate donations. PAC and Community Ed/Rec use the auditorium as well. Rental monies go to Ed/Rec, not towards improvements to the space. This discussion will be continued during a fundraising committee meeting to see how the boosters can assist the district with funding the necessary upgrades.

Terri B. asked about the existing FAB bylaws. They were found by Caren J. in the music copy room.

- **7. Date for Next Meeting** May 2nd at 5:30 in the band or choir room.
- **8.** Adjournment 6:43 by Steven Crumley