**Fine Arts Boosters Meeting Minutes**

**October 24, 2018**

**Attendees:** Don Charlton, Kris Whiting, Pam Hooker, Stefanie Stanton, Kristen Snyder, April Crum, Brad Betts, Jeni Miller, Courtney and Kelly.

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Don opened the meeting by sharing that he felt that the last two meetings were not as effective as he would have hoped and felt that we needed to revisit how we work as an organization, particularly given that the mission has been expanded to include all arts programs. He indicated that he, Pam and Kris had met September 27 and got grounded in some of the core principles of the Arts Boosters organization -- how budgets are arrived at, our mission, how requests are evaluated, and how meetings are run. Don stated that the budget is intended to address needs first vs. wants. Don also indicated that a few new ideas had been discussed but cautioned the group about chasing ideas without first thoroughly discussing and ensuring that each idea meets our objectives and that we have the budget and capacity to support.

Don also provided an update on the new by-laws and asked that we review prior to the next meeting. He also read a proposed Vision and Mission Statement.

**Regular Updates**

September minutes were approved.

The number of family memberships for Arts Boosters is down. There was an idea to include a reminder about the memberships

We decided to move the November meeting to 11.28.

Treasurers Report:

* $3000 down to LY
* Spent money on some raincoats since last month; in total we’ve spent 25% of our expenses.
* Received a check from the Cherry Valley Lodge.
* Do we want to keep sign-up genius at $9.99 a month?
* We raised $131 for the commissioning piece after the concert, but no money came in through the email.

Brad offered to be a fundraising coordinator, specifically in charge of the mattress sale and to also coordinate some of the new ideas such as the City BBQ Fundraiser.

Don invited any of the guests in attendance to consider volunteering.

We are just about ready for the Craft Show.

* Still working on a food truck
* 5 more spots to fill.
* We received a schedule of when bands would perform.
* Ad – vendors, kids corner: Courtney will help put something together for the ad.
* Need bake sale items for the craft sale
* Facebook – need to share out the fair; we can leverage Facebook Advertising to get the word out

No Band Directors were in attendance but the following requests were reviewed:

* Andrew Krumm: Shirts for Steel Drums $450 – in the budget, and approved.
* Andrew Krumm: Needs a way to transport the Steel Drum Stands
* Jerod Smith: Request for Miscellaneous uniform items. Jerod to provide specific uniform numbers. Purchases would need to be made by February in order to arrive in time for Fall.
* Andy Wildman is working on assessing the value of the current equipment truck. Carol Koch Worrell is exploring how much a new truck would be and plans to also reach out to Coughlin Automotive given that Jerod Smith’s mother works there.

Kristen Snyder:

* Chamber Singers are out and about performing! Symphonic is going to the Newark Symphony Orchestra; The Chamber Singers are going to be performing at the Radio City Music Hall
* Request for $500 to supplement the accompaniment support. Boosters determined to keep this item on the agenda but asked that we revisit monthly until we know where we stand given the levy, our current financial position, etc.

Don read an update from Andrew Krumm regarding Blue Steel.

Dawn to take over the mail chimp account. Pam to send Dawn the login info.

Meeting Adjourned at roughly 8:15pm.