

Friends of Berlin Performing Arts

Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2019

Call to Order

Melissa Hagerman, FBPA President, called to order the regular meeting of the FBPA boosters at 7:05 p.m. on May 15, 2019 at the Olentangy Berlin High School Band Room.

Denise Cambier, FBPA Vice-President, read the FBPA Mission Statement.

Attendees

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

This meeting was well attended but most attendees did not sign in. Mr. Spinner was present for the meeting.

Minutes

The Minutes from the February 2019 meeting were approved.

President's Report

FBPA has been in existence for a little over a year. We have had many accomplishments over the last year. We started with a small amount of seed money, a couple of freezers, a couple of refrigerators and food.

We have board members, volunteers for concessions, concession leads to open and close. We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. We have a logo. We have a website. We have a large sign in the concession stand listing first year sponsors. The community is beginning to know who we are!

We made enough money to approve nearly everything that the directors requested. As a fundraiser, we sold bricks for the entrance to the theater. There are 18 bricks up currently and 30 more about to be placed including a brick for the Reitter Family.

We set a goal at the beginning of the year to be able to purchase a truck and we were able to meet this goal. The permanent home for the truck is at Berkshire Middle School. We will have a naming contest for the truck. The truck will be wrapped and we sponsors will make donations to have their names displayed on the truck.

Brad Bower has taken numerous photos of our performing arts groups including the large photos of the first students in each branch of the performing arts.

Treasurer's Report

On 3/31/2019, our balance was \$43,548.90. As of May 11, 2019, our balance was \$27,748.22. A large chunk of the difference was the purchase of the truck.

We have chosen the HHH CPA Group in Worthington to audit our books and prepare our tax filings. This is the same organization that the Olentangy Music Boosters uses. They are currently preparing our 990 tax form and doing the annual review.

FBPA Happenings

We will need liaisons for orchestra and theater for next year. These positions are non-voting positions. We will also need two new Board Members to fill the Secretary position and an Assistant Treasurer to train to fill the Treasurer position. Parents will be asked to vote on the new Board members.

During this year, 111 families did not volunteer in the concession stands at all. Next year, we are looking at a buyout option for families who do not or cannot volunteer in the stands.

The Concessions Committee will need a Pepsi Liaison and a liaison for each group to help recruit volunteers.

Director Reports:

1. Mr. Sribanditmongkol (Choir)

Mr. S. presented a spreadsheet of anticipated needs and requests to the Board for next year on behalf of all of the directors.

The piano will be able to be purchased. Fundraising money for the piano will go towards the purchase and the school is able to make up the difference.

Show Choir has a concert with orchestra on Friday, May 17, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
Choir has a concert on Monday, May 20 at 6:30 p.m.

2. Mr. Reeves (Band)

<https://berlinbands.weebly.com>. Go to this website for anything and everything related to the bands. Bearwear, emergency medical forms, and payment information for band camp are also found on this website. Forms are found under the Info tab. Checks should be made out to FBPA or payments can be made on fbpa.art.

Band has a concert on Monday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m.

3. Ms. Henning (Orchestra)

Show Choir and Orchestra have a concert on Friday, May 17, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. The theme is a rock concert with lights and rock music. It is a ticketed event with adult tickets selling for \$5 each and students/seniors for \$3 each.

4. Ms. Gibbons (Theater)

Theater had a great year this year!

Mrs. Woodell with Berkshire Middle School

Band at Berkshire Middle School in 7th and 8th grade received Excellent ratings! Jazz Band will perform at the Art Show from 5-7 p.m.

Vice-President Report

We are now signed up for Kroger Plus Rewards! Please select FBPA as the organization where you want your Kroger Community money to be donated.

New Business

Mr. Sribanditmongkol makes a motion to expand the executive board to include a Vice President for each performing arts group and the middle school. This motion was tabled and it was agreed that further discussion would occur regarding the subject.

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes taken by Rosemarie Welch, Secretary of FBPA