

Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday March 11, 2014
Minutes taken by Sue Ann Bodily

In Attendance:

Sheldon Worthington, Shawn Turner, Robin Hough, Stan Funicelli, Jim Lipscomb, Sue Ann Bodily, Tawni Anderson, Adelle Williams, Debbie Petersen, Liz Smith, Lala West (parent)

There were a couple of minor corrections to last meeting's minutes. The minutes were then approved as amended.

Student Body President Update:

Adelle gave information about the student videos that have been made for the "Love Spa, Give Spa" campaign on March 20th. She also expressed student concerns about the Theatre Department Conservatory programs. The students are concerned about program and faculty changes—not knowing exactly what's going on.

Sheldon—addressed these concerns and explained a little more about the direction the plan for the Theatre Conservatory program is going. It's not set in stone. The new conservatory plan will have three areas of emphasis—Acting, Musical Theatre—Technical Theatre. These will be more integrated than in the past. This will be more in alignment with the Music Department Conservatory program. It will include the upper level classes etc.

Student Body President Update (continued):

Adelle went over the new procedures for Student Body and Student Council election procedures. These procedures were amended this morning by the Student Council. They have been working for months to make the Elections fairer to all students who might like to run and more about the issues and concerns of students and not an expensive popularity contest.

Some suggestions were given by board members regarding attendance at a "mandatory meeting."

Parent Lala West (Jasper Clayton's mom) expressed her concern about the lack of notice to the prospective student candidates of the election changes and the timing of elections. Adelle explained that our school has to hold our elections at the same time as Highland due to assembly schedules etc. and Highland changed their election dates unexpectedly this year.

The purchase report was approved

Budget Discussion—Debbie presented some information about the purchase of new busses. Her recommendation is that we purchase 1 or 2 busses this fiscal year. She will have more information about this at our next board meeting.

Lighting and auditorium seating was discussed. Also the new sign for the building should be arriving this month. The school district has been asked to let us renew the lease on the building for a 5-year term. We are waiting to hear back from them on this.

April 26th is the State Music Competition. A number of our students have qualified to attend and compete.

PTO Report—The first week of May will be Teacher Appreciation Week. The Concessions for Little Shop did quite well and made money for the PTO.

Shawn—Board Elections. Robin will be the president. It is a two year term. There are open positions for Vice President and Secretary. They have no set term. If anyone is interested please let Shawn know.

Jan's Report:

- Best of State Nomination
- Bethany nominated for the Sorenson Award
- Faculty evaluations are underway
- Open Houses and Shadow days
- Little Shop was a big success

New Hires—There were 51 applicants for the two open Theatre positions. The new faculty members are Michael Payne and Mindy Young. Both of them are very accomplished. Michael (MFA) will be coming from Oklahoma. He will be taking over Carrie's position. He taught theatre for 15 years at a Magnet Charter school. Mindy (MFA) will be taking over Andy's position. She is coming from Cedar City. She also has years of experience and an emphasis in musical theatre. They will be coming to meet the students and parents at an open house later this month.

Sheldon—more discussion about teacher evaluations. Administration needs to make sure that there is documentation of all recommendations for changes and follow ups etc. Sheldon showed the State Land Trust video. The list of items to be purchased with the Land Trust funds was amended, voted on and approved.

Jim—presentation and discussion of Lottery implementation. He will get a copy of his document to each board member.

Student/Parent Surveys—Robyn will work with the district office to see how we can implement these—using the surveys that have already been developed.

Love Spa Give Spa—remember to donate and get all your friends to donate on March 20th. This will be our major fundraiser this year.

Next board meeting: April 8th at 6 p.m.

