



# Fine Arts Boosters

## **MELHS FA Boosters Meeting**

Monday, September 11, 2017

6:00PM to 7:00PM

MELHS Media Center

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### **Mission Statement of MELHS Fine Arts Boosters**

The Fine Arts Booster Club will be the idea group that supports and funds the Fine Arts of MELHS encompassing the theatre, band, choir and art departments. We will keep alumni engaged, be an outreach to the community, and 100% attentive to our creative students all to the Glory of God.

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NEXT FABC MEETING: Monday, October 16, 6:30PM  
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Introductions

#### **2017-2018 Offices**

President: Elizabeth O'Dell

Vice President: Zac Brumbaugh and Zach Schnare

Secretary: Shari Klaustermeier

Treasurer: Zac Brumbaugh and Zach Schnare

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#### **The Globes – Brief Recap**

This is the Fine Arts awards banquet. It is modeled after the Oscars and is held at the end of the school year. It is a formal event held after Prom so that formals have already been purchased. It will be held on May 12<sup>th</sup> this year.

Repeat: Do it all over again just bigger.

Change: Discussed including the Creative Writing group. Zach will talk to them about that. Would like to have more awards for music. What will be presented at the awards banquet vs. the Globes? Should there be duplicates? Letterman jackets? Zach to talk to Rob and Amanda about pictures. Introduction into the International Thespian Society. Display art work there.

## **MUSIC Department**

Christmas Concert: December 10th

FAB Role: Zac would like to make it a much bigger deal for the grade school kids that participate. Put their performances at the end so we don't have people leaving after their performance. Would like to have an intermission with refreshments. Cookies, hot chocolate and coffee. See if McDonalds (Bold's) will donate.

Pops Concert: February 15th

FAB Role: This is a new event and will focus on student solos & ensembles with the band and choir doing more modern/popular pieces. Ideas are to have round tables and a meal.



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## Fundraisers

Cards: There are 4 box options. Each would sell for \$30 with a profit of \$13 a box. Why do we need a fundraiser? To purchase new microphones (detailed below). For every student that sells 10 or more boxes the company will give a \$7 credit for a pizza party. Showing of Les Miserables is planned for November 9<sup>th</sup> with pizza and popcorn. Different times were discussed for the fundraiser. Being around the time of the Fall Play would allow for advertising at the event. Having a table with boxes for sale at the Thanksgiving basketball tournament was also discussed. Who should be included on the sale? All students participating in fine arts possibly including creative writing. Which account should the money be deposited into? If it is deposited into the theater account there is the possibility of getting a match but the booster club would still get credit for raising all of the funds and purchasing the microphones.

Trivia Night

Date: November 17

Other: \$10 per person/\$5 per student; Try to get round sponsors and event sponsors; Sell 50/50 tickets and Fill the Cup. The Thespian troop can organize it. It was discussed that the IMEA All District Festival is that day in Carbondale but it was decided that would not be too much of a conflict. Offsite or on?

## Drama/Arts Department

Department Needs –

Microphone replacements: Eight of the current microphones are on a band that T-Mobile will be completely taking over by 2020. This leads to a risk of nearby telephone conversations being broadcast over our mic's. Replacing with an equivalent mic is \$450 a piece. The next level up is 10 for \$5400. There is currently \$6500 in our account but we prefer not to drain that.

Sound board upgrades:

Our current board is a 24 channel board and does not accommodate all of the mics needed during a performance. It requires switching to be done mid performance. Would like to purchase a bigger board for \$2800. The theatre account is going to purchase this with current funds.

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Show Schedule for the Year – Dates only.

Fall Play: Oct. 27 ad 28

FAB Role: Support and advertise. Zach will create a Facebook post to be shared. There will be middle school talent participating and there will be grade school's coming in during the week prior to the play.

Spring Musical: April 27, 28 and 29

FAB Role: Help with advertising; Volunteers needed to run intermission and meals; there will be workdays that will need volunteers

The Journey to the Cross

This will be December 22<sup>nd</sup>

Set-up can begin on Thursday @noon after finals;

There were discussions about setting it up a little different this year. Possibly put a station in the media center. Everything will be inside again this year so there will be no concern over the



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weather. Possibly put the Wise Men in the cafeteria. Do we need to borrow a manger? Zach may be able to get one built.

The Globes: *See initial entry*

#### Future Planning:

Upcoming events in order are:

October 19 – Fall Concert (7:00)

October 27 & 28 – Fall Play

November 17 – Trivia Night

December 8 – Christmas concert rehearsal (5:00)

December 10 – Christmas concert (2:30)

December 22 – The Journey to the Cross (5:00)

#### Additional notes:

There is a strings group now at MELHS

Heidi will handle the sign up for the meals for all the plays

Woodshop initiative: Ameren is going to donate all of the safety items

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