

Dakota High School Boosters
GENERAL Board Meeting: 2022/2023 Term Year
Agenda: Wednesday, March 20, 2024 @ 7:30pm

Board Members Present: Shari Burnham, Michelle Steinhebel, Dawn Schlitt, Joyce Cronin, LaShira Wade, Karri Rogers, Stephanie Gorecki, Rachal Lasater

Board Members Not Present: n/a

Student Trustee: Anthony Vernengo, absent Mario Quaglia

Administrative Present: Kevin Koskos

Participants: Kimberly Heugh, Phil Vernengo

- **Call to Order & Welcome-** Shari Burnham, President
 - Meeting called to order at 7:55pm
- **Committee Reports/ Old Business**
 - **President Report-** Shari Burnham, nothing to report.
 - **Secretary's Reports/Approvals-** Joyce Cronin/LaShira Wade
 - February 2024 General meeting minutes were presented. Motion made to approve by Dawn Schlitt, 2nd by Rachel Lasater. Motion carried.
 - **Treasurer's Report/Approvals-** Dawn Schlitt
 - February 2024 Treasurer's report was presented. Motion made to approve by Rachel Lasater, 2nd by LaShira Wade. Motion carried.
 - **Vice President Report-** nothing to report.
 - **Sports Trustee Report-**Karri Rogers
 - Dodgeball tournament is April 18th.
 - Girls basketball beat CV on March 11th.
 - Homecoming is October 4th vs Romeo.
 - **Cultural and Fine Arts Trustee Report-**Michelle Steinhebel
 - Performance of "Wrinkle in Time" will be April 18th, 19th and 20th.
 - Choir State Solo & Ensemble is April 12th and 13th, 26 students will perform.
 - Choir Spring Spectacular is May 17th.
 - Sutton Foster Award recognizes Michigan performers in a leading role in a high school musical production. Dakota choir has 2 students nominated, Dante Dagati and Lauren Singer. The award ceremony is June 1st, held at the Wharton Center at MSU.
 - Band and Choir will be in NYC next week.
 - Band Festival was held March 9th and 10th at Dakota, all 3 concert ensembles earned #1 ratings.
 - Last weekend States solo & ensemble had 20 events entered, 19 received a #1 rating.

- The combined color guard took 1st in their round and 1st overall at Stoney Creek last weekend and is currently in 2nd place after regionals by .02. Next competition is this Sunday at Lakeland high.
- Winter Drumline took 1st place last performance on March 9th at Milford High School. Next competition is this Saturday at Lakeland High School.
- Come out to the Friends and Family Showcase with Winter Guard (Purple Rain) and Winter Drumline (Within the Marble) performances held in Dakota gym March 26th at 7:30pm, free to everyone.
- May 31st is Fine Arts All Night Party.
- **Service & Scholastic Leadership Trustee Report-Vacant**
 - Model UN students are the most prepared for their competitions.
 - Mr. Koskos was nominated for Principal of the Year.
- **Volunteer/Donation Trustee- Joyce Cronin/Rachel Lasater**
 - Donation of \$103.35 was approved electronically on March 6th with 6 yes votes for National Championship t-shirts for Dance.
 - Rachel is finishing volunteer credit reports for winter #2 and craft show.
- **Marketing Report- Stephanie Gorecki**
 - Will be promoting all board positions.
 - Shari asked her to promote scholarships.
 - Phil asked how we will handle an essay that was submitted for the scholarship that could have been written by AI. Would the essay be penalized? Shari stated that type of situation will be addressed if it occurs. Mr. Koskos stated that a way to resist AI is to include more human based responses, personal connection.
 - Per Shari, this may be more of a discussion next year. Phil suggested that we include a disclaimer stating that essays may be checked for verification by teacher or coach.
- **Concession Report- Joyce Cronin/Rachel Lasater**
 - Home side cleanup is scheduled for this Saturday, Kim Heugh stated she would come and help.
- **Craft Show Trustee Report- Shari Burnham**
 - It is suggested that the Board create and hang interior signage for each admission entrance to help people remember where they entered show. Shari pointed out that the stamp cards are available and have a map of the show.
 - Could a banner be placed on the boards in front of Seneca announcing craft show? Someone would have to check with District.
 - Could a crafter drop off area be utilized in the morning? Use cones to section off curb area and assign groups of students to each section. Unfortunately, we would not be able to have something like this per Fire

Marshall. Curb area is emergency lane and cannot be blocked with parked vehicles/cones.

- Phil has suggested that a checklist be provided to “teams” that are assigned to specific areas for teardown. The checklist would include all jobs that need to be completed like, removing blue tape on floor, electrical cords, tables, chairs, sweep, etc.
- **Student Trustee-** nothing to report.
- **School Administrative Report-Attending Administrators** Mr. Koskos
 - This year, the school has tied the record for MAC honorees.
 - CLP Talent Show is tomorrow.
 - Spring break is April 1st through 8th.
 - Testing week follows spring break.
 - April 17th starts senior month.
 - Commencements will be in one ceremony on the field at 1pm June 9th. Seating will be in all bleachers and on field. Stage will be U shaped to accommodate spectators. Ceremony is expected to be 2 ½ hours long with 714 seniors graduating.
 - This brought up the point that we may need to host concessions on both sides of field, but we would only have drinks and snacks on visitor’s side. Flower and candy cups would need to be kept on home side. This will have to be further discussed.
- **New Business Update** nothing to report.
- **Open Discussion & Attendee Questions** nothing to report.
- **Adjournment**
 - Meeting adjourned at 9:03pm.