

Highland Fine Arts Boosters  
Meeting Minutes  
2/11/2026 @ 6:30 pm

Call to order:  
Roll Call/Approval of Agenda:  
Treasurer's Report: motion to approve

Attendees: Emily Piette, Owen Piette, Andy Vercande, Jeremiah Carter, Jacob Allen, Jason Knox, Katie Knox, Andrew McDonald

<b>Upcoming Fine Arts Activities</b>	
<b>Band</b>	<b>Action</b>
Trip updates	All trip payments have been collected. Check will be written for student who paid in full. Trip meeting has been moved to Tuesday, March 3 <sup>rd</sup> in the cafeteria. This is due to the girls BB hosting the playoff game.
Request	Rolling keyboard cart requested from Mr. McDonald. Requested \$240 plus tax and shipping for reimbursement. Owen Piette moves to approve this request, Andy Vercande seconds. All approve.
Thursday, February 26: Coe College Jazz Summit	Performance of the jazz band at noon in D-K Auditorium inside Marquis Hall. No charge for admission. Students will be back to school by 7 <sup>th</sup> period.
Saturday, March 7: SEIBA Jazz Festival in Washington	Students will perform at 8:50 am in the Washington High School Auditorium.
March 26: SEISC Honor Band hosted at Highland	Lunch- Casey's pizza donations + waters (charge \$5) Dinner- pulled pork, mac and cheese + waters (charge \$10) Total charge for students \$15 Need paper items, tickets/stamp/marker for lunch/dinner
March 31: Solo Festival at Highland	Students will be scheduled to play between 4-8 pm, with students involved in the Play scheduled earliest in the evening. Judge and pianist secured.
<b>Choir</b>	<b>Action</b>
March 10: SEISC Vocal Fest hosted at Pekin	Approximately 10 students attending, concert at 6:30, cost of food TBD. Andy V makes a motion to approve up to \$30/student for meals. Katie K seconds, all ayes.
March 31: Solo and Ensemble Festival at Highland	Judge TBD, Schedule TBD
April 14: SEISC Middle School Vocal Fest at L&M	Half-day event, 10 students attending, concert at 6:30 pm. More info to come on food.
<b>Drama</b>	<b>Action</b>
<i>This Murder was Staged</i> has been selected for the spring play.	Set building on the weekend of March 7 (after Jazz Band Competition) and 8.
<b>Upcoming dates:</b>	
<b>April 12-16</b> - Spring Play Tech Week	
<b>April 17-18</b> - Spring Play Performances (7:00 PM, HS gym)	

<b>Speech</b>	<b>Action</b>
Updates from Jayme	Stat large group contest at CCA went well! Thanks to Mr. Jones and Ms. Kallaus for their support and coaching!
February 28: Individual Speech Events	Individual districts at Montezuma. Competing in 14 events.
Speech Showcase:	Discussion on dates Saturday, May 2 afternoon or Sunday, May 3 anytime. Up to the kids and Jayme to decide!
Senior Banners:	5 seniors in speech- Cassidy, Greta, Aaron, Wyatt, Brena
<b>Art</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>Updates from Ms. Trees</b>	<p>Ms. Trees can help with the play after school and on weekends.</p> <p>SEIC Art Show Invitational for all Southeastern Iowa High School Students - Original Artwork must be submitted before April 18th.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This will be up for 2 weeks at Southeastern Community College in Burlington. AWARDS are given for each category, Best of Show, etc. Each district is allowed 15 entries and may only take 2 per student artist. I decided to open this up to ALL Highland High School Students whether they've taken art or not.</li> </ul> <p>SEIC Artist Workshop on March 25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This is an all-day event. Everyone gets a free t-shirt and attends 2 different workshops. Only \$8.50 for lunch - Once again, I may take up to 15 High School Students. This will only be those who have taken art for at least one semester. Seniors are prioritized.</li> <li>Owen Piette makes a motion to approve up to 15 students for \$8.50/meal. Andy Vercande seconds. All approve.</li> </ul>
<b>General Booster Business</b>	
<b>Robotics Senior Banners</b>	Andy Vercande will follow up with Mr. Surine about how the banners have been purchased.
<b>Bylaws review and vote</b>	Discussed bylaws, including number of minutes, composition of the board members. Owen Piette moves that with edits; the bylaws should be adopted. Jason seconds. All ayes.