

December 4, 2012

## Meeting Notes

Minutes were read. Bob Pritchett moved and Bob Roberts seconded, all approved.

We are currently ahead of expense, however we have not yet been billed for transportation and many other expenses from the district for Marching Band.

Great fundraising year –

- Kroger cards are significantly ahead of budget at \$7400
- \$10000 donated from student family
- Ahead on Scrip cards by 1100 vs. budget already also

Will look at applying some overage trips once all the bills are in.

Great marching band results.

Honor Band Results: More students in honor band from Lakota West than from anywhere else.

1 out of 3 in the honor band is Lakota West school out of 300. Lakota East was 2<sup>nd</sup>, about tied with Mason

Solo and Ensemble is here on February 2<sup>nd</sup>; ensemble music being handed out now. Encourage everyone to take a solo. Forms are due before Christmas. Solo is \$17 and ensemble is \$22.

OMEA has mandated that we sell \$5 medals.

Honor band is in Mason this year; go to Fairfield for District contest, and go to East for State contest.

Winds ensembles will play for Santa run.

At last football game, an alumni parent who last student retired in 1996, gave us \$10,000. A silver trombone is \$1300. We can get them for \$490 from Moeller music; will be able to get 24 trombones for \$11,000. Are asking all trumpet parents to have silver trumpets. A good deal is available through Moeller music.

Samples of the new uniforms were brought in to share. They include:

- New shako, new jacket, new pants, new mega plumes, new red band and new white band jackets, and parkas and garment bags.
- We will also have gauntlets. We may add the firebird on the side. Hat has same design as uniform. Students will need one white glove and one black glove.

Theme for next year will be West Side Story. Starting planning and schedule after upbeat club meeting. We are still on for band camp at the Freshman school for this next year. Football schedule actually starts a week later next year.

Macy's likes you to play Christmas music in the march. After reviewing

Dave Bubash and Malinda Anderson will be the trip coordinators and are getting itinerary's together shortly.

Followers will stay in Manhattan; band will stay across the river from Manhattan in Weehauken. Followers will show.

Branson itinerary for Symphonic Winds will be out next week. Planning in \$600 range. Will leave Tuesday and come back Saturday since amusement park is not open until Friday.

Looking for a \$150 nonrefundable commitment for next year so we can order the uniforms in the right sizes for the bands. We will also need another \$50 commitment for Macy's by end of the month so we can order Broadway show tickets. Student cost is \$950

Will likely also need deposits for the followers packages in the same time frame. For followers, the package starts in New York. It includes Thanksgiving dinner meal, 4 nights in Manhattan, and Broadway show, and Rockettes (see itinerary) but no transportation. Cost is \$1100 total – individual night at this hotel is \$400.

31 Freshman made honor band + 5 or 6 alternates. Have the most Freshman of any school in district 13, including east which has 65 more kids.

Freshman concert is 2 weeks from tonight.

Red white and winds concert will be 2 weeks from last night. Order is Red, White, then Winds. Genevieve Bulgar, Lakota West Graduate getting her doctorate in Basson at Michigan State will be performing with us.

Chair reports:

Kroger: We will receive a check for ~3300 for the quarter. We have 196 cards registered. Please get your card registered. We are already over the budgeted amount for the year.

Fundraising:

- Suzie Bubash shared that we need to pick a date and time for Red Robin. We will get 10% profit for the night. They are willing to let us play and are willing to let us stand outside. We can pick a once a month or a rolling night. We can stand outside and hand flyers outside. This could be any Monday through Thursday. Suzie can just choose a date as long as it doesn't conflict with a concert or Agreed we should do January. Check if you can get valentines day. Mr. Snyder can

get Woodwind ensembles to play. Red Robin has a scrip card also. Once date is decided, let Bill Hertz know and he can get it in the West Chester Buzz.

- McDonald's Beckett Ridge will give us 10% of anyone who walks in and the drive through.

#### Swing Dance:

- Mariam is still looking for volunteers. Will have raffles for band item, restaurant cards, Kroger cards, etc.
- Bands are to bring in food donations.
- Kids are going to sell candy and carnations.

#### Video:

- Bob Pritchett is checking on the possibility that now we will be able to record the Freshman concert.
- The Empire DVD is up for order on the website.
- \$35 e-mail will followup to understand if we have a code, paypal or website issue.

#### Pancake Breakfast:

- Will get schedule together for planning team for pancake breakfast and start meeting in January. Students can make baskets and donate them, but they will not go to an individual student account since those no longer exist.
- If you receive a \$10 gift card from Kohl's and are not going to use it, please send to Tricia or Bob Hertz.
- If band parents own a small business and want a booth, we will work to fill empty booth spots with those first on Main Street.

#### Macy's stickers:

- Have Macy's stickers for sale for \$5
- Will have Macy's t-shirts available at the swing dance and the concerts. Have both long and short sleeve t-shirts.
- Need to make sure we acknowledge Paradise Graphics at the jazz dance.
- Tony Costello needs a copy of the artwork for the website.
- Will see what we can do to partner with Macy's locally in this next year.

#### New business:

- Need a \$50 trip deposit for Macy's – deliberately made this smaller in order to make it easier for people, but this will be nonrefundable. We need to make sure that people are thinking about this as a commitment.
- Need jazz dance volunteers

- Need pillow volunteers – these sold really well. Need people to cut, rip, stuff, and sew so all skill levels are needed. Both X and Y chromosomes will work. We will do this in January, probably on a Saturday.
- Had great results on uniform sale. We are looking at options. Think about sales at Christmas concerts.
- Continued discussion at board meetings about continuing to cut. Community conversations are occurring but they are not all that well attended. Either some or all of the board comes, and perhaps some of the administration. Perhaps have two meetings. We will investigate and set up some specific band focused community conversations.
- Bob and Bob – moved and adjourned.