

Lakota West Upbeat Club Meeting

March 19, 2013

Vice-President Malinda Anderson called meeting to order at 7:34. President Sue Tanner is out of town on business. Minutes from last meeting read and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Michelle not able to join tonight.

- Still waiting for a few payments for Branson. Please make sure your student pays prior to boarding the bus.
- Uniforms being paid for; color guard stuff for next year being paid for.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

- Only band program in the state to have 5 high school bands and have them all get 1's at District Contest. .
- Winds and Red Bands will change 3 tunes before state; White band will change 2 of 3 tunes before state.
- Audition results for band placement are posted. They are not final until next year. Red and White bands will actually be bigger than Winds next year.
- Band size for next year has increased by 25-30 kids from this year.
- We are still at 283 students in Marching Band for next year.
- Competition, Game and Rehearsal schedule is now final. It is all on-line. The leadership team for next year has gone through it all one at a time.
- We are going to Hamilton to keep the trophy for all time, Harrison, Loveland, and also to Springfield Shawnee. Hamilton we have attended before but all the other locations are new.
- We have more to teach this year with tunes for parade, our 90 second spotlight for Macy's, and our competition show.
- We have silver trombones and silver trumpets already.
- We have 106 freshman and 96 of them are signed up for band next year. Very talented freshman class.
- Going to Branson because the kids wanted to take a spring trip. 9 kids elected not to go. Leaving on April 2.
- State Contest will be after coming back from Branson.
- Concerto competition next week ; two new field commanders will also be selected.
- Mr. Snyder is meeting with treasurer and principal regarding budget for next year and how we will pay for things, etc.
- Winds has received 132 consecutive "Superior" ratings.
- All State Etudes are out and students can begin working on them.
- Freshman concert will have 3 tunes each band and then combine both bands for 3 tunes for last concert of the year.
- Mr. Snyder will be at a law school open house with his son, Adam, this weekend and will be unable to attend pancake breakfast.
- Colorguard went to WGI regionals on Saturday and Sunday. Placed 5th and are ranked 16th in the World. Upcoming competitions are on the Trumba calendar on the website.

Committee Reports:

Jazz 'n Cakes:

- Jazz and Cakes are this Saturday on March 23, 2013. 300 tickets have been sold, about on track with last year.
- No takers on pancakes@yahoo e-mail account. Went to Krogers last weekend and made \$70 last weekend. Basket Raffle still needs people to sign up on sign-up genius. We have had over \$8000 in gift certificates and merchandise noted. 20-25 raffle items, 50-60 raffle baskets from 160 businesses. Autographed items, Parkhopper passes from Walt Disney, etc. Many different items.

- We have 29 confirmed vendors (\$1200) with two more to pay. The vendors we have this year are more handpicked. Vendors get a kick out of having then band director say hello. Most of vendors paid their \$45 fee and donated.
- Colorguard asked to sell tickets and they have sold them all!
- Mariam has purchased all the goods for pancake breakfast.

Fundraising:

- **Mattress sales:** This will be the 6th annual mattress sale. Business model is to be able to sell high quality mattress at a discounted price. Since there is no overhead for a store, and no money for advertising. The mattress sale organization does all the set-up, sales, delivery etc. The school organization is responsible for promoting and publicizing. Normally the band makes \$50 for every twin, \$75 for every queen or full, \$100 for a king. Proposal is we do mattress sale in September, and included mattress flyer in the envelope package for Tag Day. Agreed on Saturday, September 21st date for mattress sale. They will provide ~1000 fliers for Pancake Breakfast delivered to Greg. We will pass out fliers with Macy's logo on them at Pancakes. Debbie Harbin will send information to President@lakotawestbands.org for posting on the web site.
- In April, we will have a Taste of Music at Uno's. This will be Thursday, April 18. We only get 150 fliers and we cannot pass out at their location. You must have a flier for that night.
- Reds fundraiser – have 34 people signed up to work, most of whom have already been trained. We need a group leader for each booth we work; this is a separate training. We need another 3-4 people who will be group leaders.
- Dave provided an update on scholarships and using West Chester Community Foundation to administer. Foundation has a group of volunteers who will review applications and evaluate against our questions.
- Red Robin Taste of Music was 200+ dollars in fundraising.
- McDonald's fundraiser. Have 5 confirmed dates. Dates are Sunday, April 14 10am-1pm; Thursday, May 2 6-9pm; Thursday, May 16 6-9pm; Tuesday, June 4 5:30-8:30pm; Sunday, June 30 either 10am-1pm or 11am-2pm. We need 8-10 adults for each of these locations.
- DVD's are not moving; we will see if TriState is willing to extend sale date. Will discuss again next week.
- Pillows are DONE! We will be passing these out at a table at Jazz 'n Cakes. We have 20 extras and will take orders for more. Thanks to all who helped.
- There is a movie being made in Cincinnati, and they want a small band of 60 kids to play on Sunday, April 21st. It is about a war hero. Not a lot of money involved. Mr. Snyder will have a meeting with the film this morning.
- We are still working with the district on whether the class is an extracurricular or a class. Make sure you sign up for the district.
- Macy's: 3rd Macy's bus is open for followers signup. We have reached 164 followers, so we have closed the packages. If there is one additional family member in someone's family, we could accommodate them. Macys- looks like everyone is going except 10 kids. Sign-ups for rooms will happen in August at Band Camp. Dawn DiLorenzo will be the lead follower.
- Bob Roberts motioned to adjourn; Mariam Kassem seconded. All approved.