

Lakota West Upbeat Meeting – March 28, 2019

Approved Minutes

Exec board present: Candi Vance, Jen Daiker, Rebecca Yoby, Beth Dodson and Julie Horn

Directors report – Andy Carr

- Uniform prototypes modeled by band students; both companies very modular and both are washable (current uniforms are \$14,000 per year in dry cleaning cost)
- Stanbury – Oklahoma company – grey with red pieces, red undershirt, red on side cape; collar built into jacket; better made; stitches better; material more durable; busier patterns; cloth shako; elastic band to attach wrap to shako
- FJM – Miamisburg, Ohio – collar build into shirt; can be crop top or regular; would prefer ombre fade on shirt sleeves; detachable side skirt; silver stripe on shako; pleather shako; wrap easier to attach with Velcro; cost is slightly more but includes garment bags which might be able to be backed out of the price; another advantage is FJM does good color guard uniforms
- One option is to keep current uniforms for football games but downfalls is the storage space needed and the dry cleaning expenses
- Jazz n Cakes – encouraging kids to sign up
- Music Hall - \$8,000 to rent (ushers, stage hands, lights); Filmore Winds puts the money up but need to sell a total of 1,500 tickets to break even; last year broke even on concert with Lakota East, Southwest Ohio Symphonic Band and Filmore Winds

President – Candi Vance

- Meeting called to order at 7:20p

Secretary – Julie Horn

- Presented minutes from February 21, 2019 meeting
- Motion to approve minutes by Shirley Wong-Liong; seconded by Phil Leisure; motion carried

Finance – Beth Dodson

- Krogers – received check for \$750
- Jazz n Cakes – presale ticket money coming in
- Scissor lift – got a great deal on a 26' which was paid out of savings so won't see it in the financials
- Motion to approve budget by Cindy Merk; seconded by Dave Daiker; motion carried

Executive Committee 2019-2020 – Candi

- Nominations will be open until the April meeting
- Freshman VP does not have to be a freshman parent
- Vote will take place at the April meeting

Jazz n Cakes – Debbie Pizzuco

- Saturday!
- Volunteers – still have 50 student slots and 38 adult slots needed
- Tonight is last night for presale raffle tickets
- If you're interested in taking a lead position next year, you can shadow the lead Saturday

Taste of Music/Uno's – Candi

- 4/16 is Uno's
- 5/7 is Main Event
- table upfront to put band information, decorations (maybe a flower, poster, uniform)
- Need a couple of people to man table and collect receipts
- Upbeat gets % of receipts with the exception of alcohol or pre-booked parties
- hours tbd

Pit Crew / Winterguard – Dave and Jen Daiker

- Gator wrap with Speed Pro expensive since so much detail work
- Will talk to other folks who can do the painting then have Speed Pro apply the decals
- JV Guard doing well – will end this weekend
- Varsity Guard going to WGI prelims
- Color Guard auditions will be both April 30 and May 2
- Special thanks to Rick Merk for taking winter guard pictures

Open positions – Candi

- Jazz n Cakes – all open; January to March work; needs to start immediately after Christmas
- Mattress Sale
- Split the Pot
- Tech support
- Barb's positions – thought is to allow current band parent to take slot with Barb to support
- Will send charms email out to this year's rookie parents to get interest
- Discussion about concerns if it can be successful this way; too many new people to train at the same time; don't want to lose progress made in past few years
- Sponsorships – need to add as an open position

Communications/calendar/web – Barb Warne

- Concert band audition dates
- Drum major dates
- Rookie meetings
 - 1) rookie assessment date - 5/15
 - Andy talks to parents; get parents signed up in Charms and for email blasts; assure parents they will get information as needed – don't want to overwhelm them with too much information; Tom talks with kids
 - 2) Rookie mini-camp meeting (hour before mini-camp performance)
 - Andy talks to parents while kids get ready; meeting in the auditorium; talks about trips, etc
- Marching Band commitment forms are due 4/8; deposit due 5/1 and final payment due 7/1

Publicity – Debbie Pizzuco

- Nothing to report

Sponsorship – Kevin Moorman

- No update; waiting until after Jazz n Cakes to do next push

Eagle Scouts – Candi

- Discussion continued from last month
- Exec Board discussed and decided Upbeat would contribute 25% of the project costs up to a maximum of \$500 with any extra money to be donated back to the Upbeat Club
- Scout must do the presentation, request for money and the fundraising per scout guidelines
- Shed for gator – if scout doesn't do it, we will have to purchase one
- Gazebo – expand and move current one

Band Camp – Jen Daiker

- Next meeting April 2 at 6p at Dingle House
- Looking for folks interested in joining committee

New Business – Candi

- Senior awards night – May 9 moved to 730p to help with conflict with Ridge spring concert
Baby / senior pictures to secretary email; Andy encouraging kids to be included and send pics in Slideshow set to music; needs to be kept at 15 minutes; Rick Merk will produce
Plaque sign up in band hallway
Senior program to be made as late as possible to allow for college decisions
- Blue Wisp Big Band – Thursday April 18 (7p-845p)
performing at Lakota West courtesy of the Cincinnati Jazz Hall of Fame
Jazz at Dusk – student group will perform a couple of songs first
Admission will be free but donations welcome – suggested donation \$5
Cookies/drinks will be provided by Upbeat Club
Need a couple of people to man table
Barb will send flyer to OMEA and district 13 and post in the alumni Facebook page
- Phil suggested having a parent social event – take over a tap room; get to know other parents;
- Phil suggested having food trucks at various events
 - Marching band kick off has been done the same way for years – look at something different to energize parents; Centerville has a huge food truck rally then watches band perform; issue is that it's the same weekend as the Union Centre food truck rally so trucks wouldn't be available;
 - Freshman night the time is too tight;
 - Possibly second band camp day during season (Oct 26)
6-7p kids eat; 7-8p parents eat; kids perform at 8p

Motion to adjourn at 8:25p by Phil Leisure; seconded by Katie Smith; motion carried

Attendance: Shirley Lam Wong-Liong, Debbie Pizzuco, Phil Leisure, Dave Daiker, Victoria Skepple, Cindy Merk, Katie Smith and Barb Warne