

Lakota West Upbeat Club Meeting

November 21, 2019

Approved

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

Director's Report – Andy

- Marching Band
 - Thanks for everyone's help this season; it has been many years in the making to get where we are; it was a great marching band season; we met or exceeded all the goals for the season; kids adapted well to everything we asked of them
 - good motivation to push harder; never seen kids as emotional as they were Thursday night when we made in into semi-finals; cool shared experience for them;
 - they represented the school and community well; hotel staff commented as we checked out that they had been great
 - MB Concert Monday – last time to play the music; will keep it as short as possible; recognize volunteers and student leadership; after show is uniform turn in
 - Trip next year? Too early to know – BOA announces the 2020 schedules in December; Super-regionals in Orlando, FL and St George, UT but we don't know what our obligations are throughout the fall; Ohio State has fallen on our Homecoming the last two years so this would be a high priority for next year; will not do Grand Nationals next year for sure

- Honor Band
 - Colin in charge overall; Andy is in charge of freshman band
 - Robert Sheldon will direct Wind Symphony, Ben Chamberlain (Xavier) will direct Symphonic Winds and Susan Bass will direct the Freshman band
 - Also had about 20 kids doing Bowling Green Honor Band this year

- Concert Bands
 - Winds has a busy January getting ready for convention; perform at CCM and Miami; holiday concert will be more of a prep for the convention music
 - All other bands will be doing holiday tunes

President – Candi Vance

- Upbeat Meeting called to order 6:52p
- Welcome to new members
- No December meeting
- All remaining meetings will be at Main Campus

Secretary – Julie Horn

- Motion to approve Oct 17, 2019 minutes of the meeting by Shirley Lam Wong-Liong; seconded by Dave Daiker; motion carried

Treasurer – Beth Dodson

- Highlighted monthly budget
 - Props
 - Indy trip – lower since we didn't have to buy semi-final tickets
 - Angel fund – 4 students covered
- Motion to approve October budget by Shirley Lam Wong-Liong and seconded by Phil Leisure; motion carried

Pit Crew Update – Dave Daiker

- Thanks to everyone who helped this season
- Shed for gator and storage is next big project; 20 x 20 building; Todd Yoby is managing it; ok with district as long as ok with West admin; they're fine as long as its ok with Scott Kaufman; costs coming in higher \$12,800 (budgeted \$12,600) but this doesn't include landscaping/reseeding; Motion to allocate an additional \$500 by Dave Daiker; Shirley Lam Wong-Liong seconded; motion carried
- Winter guard prop construction is coming; have \$2,000 budgeted currently for varsity and JV; motion to add \$1,000 for winter guard budget by Dave Daiker; seconded by Phil Leisure; motion carried
- Follow up questions
 - Ready to paint gator? Yes
 - Ok for Phil to sell naming rights for shed
 - Save spot on side of building for our accolades (Rose Parade, Macy's, etc)

Spirit Wear – Candi

- Shop closed; items ordered will be delivered around the time of the holiday concert

Marching Band Uniforms – Amy Koenes

- Current uniforms will be collected after the marching band concert; show shirts can go home with kids after the concert; parka washers already set; shakos will need to be cleaned; getting estimates for professional laundering and pressing
- Old uniforms – can be moved to another storage room in the band room if winter guard needs the current closet; sign up genius to bid on specific uniform numbers; need to set a minimum bid; any not bid on would be available to be made into pillows (Cathy Henson and her mom will lead the sewing)

Concert Uniforms – Candi

- No news; everything going fine

Swing Dance – Cindy Merk

- December 13; need donations; sign up genius for help will come out after Thanksgiving
- Aaron Todal was hoping to get 8th graders involved but the directors don't want to add anything to their schedule
- Home basketball game the same night; kids will go down and play; give ½ price admission to any folks that come down after the game; AD loves the idea – try to bring the communities together
- Photo area will be set up just outside the door; velvet ropes; backdrop
- Snack room; slide show projecting former swing dance pics
- East does \$10 advance sales and \$12 at the door; for this year we'll keep the price at \$10 no matter where it's purchased since that's what we've advertised

Uno's / Taste of Music – Candi

- Uno's – Tuesday, December 3
- Main Event – Tuesday, January 14 (can't do over break; not sure if we need volunteers to man table)
- Uno's – Feb ?
- Chipotle – Tuesday, March 10 (5p-9p)

Communications/Calendar – Barb Warne

- Let Barb know if you have anything to promote
- Let Barb know if you see anything that needs to be cleaned up

Sponsorships – Phil Leisure

- Gearing up for next year; have reached out to "FanRaise"; help with coordinating fundraising; internet based capital campaign for bands/choirs; we're selling an intangible – selling the band; not currently selling with the thought of a building or an instrument; may be able to help with tag day to reach family and friends outside of West Chester
- Need to have a specific goal in mind; need to put thought behind what we want to go after; sound equipment, instruments, transportation equipment, etc
- Sponsor the show for the year?
- Andy's wish list for future needs: Sousaphones (\$10K each); entire brass line; frontline (7 years old); drumline; another set of speakers (but no room in truck for them); trailer

Jazz n Cakes – Candi

- 2nd biggest fundraiser behind Tag Day
- Have to get started on planning; first meeting tentatively Dec 4 at Freshman band room
- Kitchen and dining room – Phil
- Main Street – need lead for raffle basket and vendors
- Candi and Julie will manage from Exec

Volunteer positions – Candi

- Jazz n Cakes
- 2 design openings; social media and someone to compile pictures into albums to be used in future posts
- Swing Dance – need shadow for Cindy

New Business – Candi

- Kenworthy scholarship; 5 applications; \$500 scholarship; awarded at marching band concert
- Phil – send framed picture of MB show to give to top 8 sponsors

Motion to adjourn by Shirley Lam Wong-Liong at 7:35p; seconded by Monique Penney

Attendance: Shirley Lam Wong-Liong, Liz Ardila, Phil Leisure, Cindy Merk, Barb Warne, Jay Kreimer, Jen Kreimer, Mike Ellingson, Shannon Ellingson, Lisa Vaillancourt, Tracy Dawson, Dave Daiker, Amy Koenes and Monique Penney.