

Lakota West Upbeat Meeting October 15, 2020

Minutes

6:32 call to order. Mr. Carr unable to attend, but thank you for an awesome, weird season. Looking forward to concert band coming up, which should look somewhat normal. Kids will be fitted for concert uniforms soon.

No new members

Approval of September Minutes - motion Cathy Henson, Jen Best seconds.

Treasurer, new uniforms (63) have been paid. Show shirts - 7-8 seniors looking to purchase show shirts. Cathy Henson moved to approve the Treasurers report, Dave Daiker seconds

Mattress Sale - happening 11/14 at a donated warehouse storefront on 747, thank you Mr. Penney. We are teaming with the cheerleaders. Referrals will be made and split between groups. There should be a lot of publicity. There will be signup genius for shifts. Semi will be parked outside the warehouse. They have plenty of PPE for the mattress. Kim has the flyer what we get per unit. Kids given cash bonuses per referral.

Pit: thanks for the hard work! We are up in the air about Winter Guard. There is a new generator picked out, available, Richard jumped on it - \$1009 with tax (he jumped since prices have been rising) We should be able to get \$400-700 for the old one. Richard proposes putting 200 toward it and requests \$800. Some discussion between Dave and Richard with Allison about pit budget.

Spirit Wear - Amanda thinks we have everything. One of the survey responses is about spirit wear for non-marching band parents. For spirit wear, they do transfers, so if we want to add something else, then talk to the vendor. There is a request for LW Bands, rather than Marching bands.

MB Uniforms - nothing new. Thank you for all the help transporting uniforms. We will wash ourselves - signup genius to come. Bonus: no parkas to wash! Girls will wash and turn in white skirts.

Concert uniforms - Andy wants kids to get fitted in normal uniforms. There won't be a lot of turn-around-time for alterations this year - hopefully will be ready this weekend. We are thinking of doing a buyback program for ladies who have had to buy dresses in the past. We are going to buy a stock of dresses so girls no longer need to buy dresses. There are some that have been donated. Andy has agreed to that plan. We may be voting on the money in the future.

Q: is there a lifespan on the dresses? **A:** They hold up pretty well. Maybe next year we may be changing things up. Katie looking at inventory. Everything we 're discussing is next year, so keep an eye on emails.

Speaking of fees - the easy pay fee hit the account today. Nothing has been charged so far. It's a school fee - the school decided to charge the fee since we had the season. It's not our role to explain the fee, but since we had a season, we were charged a fee. We can ask Andy to explain to parents.

Taste of music - Raising canes - every Friday through Oct 4-close

- November 17: Chipotle
- December 8: Mod Pizza
- January: City BBQ
- Kona Ice in April

Marching Band concert moved to Wednesday - hoping for no rain. The Tech team learned 70% users use mobile - so they can format for phone users. Saturday will be livestreaming the video. We will also be streaming the concerts next month. Are there licensing issues? That is a question for Andy.

Concert bands will be held at the Freshman building - so there are concerns about the network bandwidth. It was suggested to reach out to Andy and ask about hardwire network.

Fundraising: At Mason - Lincoln was supposed to do drive event. They are offering to do virtual drive event - we can view a 30-minute video and answer questions, we get \$25 per person. They promise they will not be obnoxious. They seem to be more after opinions of car design - not selling cars. Phil brought up car raffle - that offer is still there. We could do that, but perhaps next year. We should keep that in the back of our heads. Barb W: the timing the concert in November - thinking ahead for publicity.

Spirit wear has somebody to take over, need other volunteers

New business – We need to think how to do a swing dance. What timeframe? Trying to keep in December - how can we do a swing dance? can we do it outside in the spring?

Keehner park can be used - also use Pyramid Hill - Fitton Center teamed up to do something. Instead of funneling things through Candi, send to Cindy Merk. Send to jazzdance@lakotawestbands.org

More New Business: we have \$745 for band gift - more coming in. What is on Andy's wish list? Within 2 years he needs some sousaphones, needs drumline, within 5, front line equipment (new speakers, and then box truck which is already approved.) What/How do we go about presenting this to him? Do we offer money?

Andy tries to get school to buy instruments. Perhaps get a "universal" gift - something that the ensemble would use. Perhaps the horrible microphone could be purchased. Richard suggested a new PA system for the directors. We want to give him a category - but not necessarily buy the stuff. Hensons will create a big fake check.

Yet more new business: Club will purchase a zoom account for winter month meetings. Next month we will be on zoom.

Motion to adjourn at 7:28, Cathy Henson moved, Kim York seconds.