

PRESTO Minutes

Meeting Date: February 21, 2012

Location: Room 150, SMW

	Topic	Discussion/ Findings	Recommendations / Actions	Follow-Up
	Attendees: Curtis Mulvenon, Kim Martin, Steve and Cindy Lanigan, Laura King Hagen, Pam Burnett, Maria Myers, Tina and Rex Railsback, Chucho Marquez (for Elizabeth Uppman, absent)			
1.	Call to Order/Minutes	The meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM. The January 10, 2012 minutes were approved with item 3, Transport, amount under Action corrected from \$10 to \$ 100 gas.		
2.	Student Officer Requests/Updates	No student officer was present to report.		
3.	Director Updates/Requests	<p><u>Collage Concert:</u> Glow sticks still need to be purchased. The piece the group is memorizing has a difficult part. Friday's memory tests would have earned everyone a D grade, so Curtis delayed grading to the following Tuesday allowing more time to improve. Tuesday went better. Memorization is 2 weeks behind his original expectation but there is still time to learn it all. The final grade will be for the entire orchestra - they need to "step it up".</p> <p><u>Recording Equipment:</u> The equipment was received last Friday and Curtis took it home to test on weekend. There was an installation glitch which he worked out. The software subtracts background noise and sound is "incredible". The software has become industry standard and was used in the movie Avatar.</p> <p><u>Ladies Gowns:</u> Are on order.</p> <p><u>Polishing Cloths:</u> Nothing new.</p>	<p>Curtis will provide Kim the exact amount for glow sticks so she can issue a check to him.</p> <p>Curtis intends to play test recordings from Julia and the full orchestra at the next PRESTO meeting.</p> <p>Curtis needs to find alternate supplier and order samples.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Breakfast after concerts (after Collage concert)- PRESTO insurance of equipment (from December 2011).- Instrument polishing cloths.
4.	Year End Banquet and Prizes for Collage Concert	Chucho reported that Elizabeth has sourced a number of prize donations from various vendors for the Collage concert. Laura pointed out that orchestra shirts from prior years and extra school spirit wear can be provided. Curtis suggested purchase of a larger prize (e.g. Best Buy gift card) if necessary. Kim stated that there is a \$200 budget for Collage expenditure. There will be no cakes this year, still need to source reception food and drinks. An option is to ask each		<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Caterer, cost-Sponsor senior banquet tickets?-Ticket price-Collage Concert Sweets, drinks for reception

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		<p>student to bring, e.g. 12 cookies.</p> <p>The banquet committee will meet tomorrow. There are 3 catering options, including Outback Steak House, Jack Stack and another. They are trying to limit the plate cost to \$8. Volunteers will be needed for the slide show, to set up, clean up, make sure people don't take too much food etc. Amy Hocker's grandmother is interested in doing the slide show again this year.</p>		
5.	Treasurer's Update	<p>Kim circulated a budget sheet. Total Hen House proceeds are \$4041.97, impressively above budget. She anticipates approximately \$2800 surplus at year end. We are not at risk for losing not-for-profit status, but can consider how to use the extra funds. Options: Purchase a second recording interface. The group agreed that Austin Chambers should be recognized for filling several vacant shifts each day during the Christmas Hen House shifts, going above and beyond expectations. Curtis suggested that we could commission an original piece to be composed for the SMW orchestra. The typical fee can be \$1000 per minute of music, but Curtis knows, Jeffrey Bishop, who would likely do an entire piece for about \$1200.</p>	<p>Kim will give a check to Laura to cover Austin's reward.</p>	<p>- Best Buy funds – football concessions</p>
6.	Ways & Means/Fundraising Update	<p>Laura reported that Peach Wave is a go for May 1. Laura is confirming times. An insert "coupon" that includes a map to the site will be included in the program.</p> <p>Theresa Lansden may be willing to be half of ways means next year if another person can be identified. Curtis suggested contacting Sierra Wenciker and Grace Rogers' mother.</p>		<p>- Peach Wave – West Area Festival</p>
7.	Discussion/Approval PRESTO Bylaws	<p>Kim, Laura and Maria provided comments to Steve.</p>	<p>Steve will consolidate comments & forward to Rex who will issue them for approval at the next meeting.</p>	<p>- Finalization of Bylaws</p>
8.	New Business	<p>Tina indicated that it is time for the Scholarship Committee to begin planning. The committee was historically handled by the Vice Presidents with help. Students submit an application</p>	<p>The committee needs to contact SMW counseling office to confirm they are willing to accept</p>	<p>- Scholarship committee</p>

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		with essay by the deadline, names are removed for blinding during review and the committee selects winners. Winners are announced at the Banquet performance. Prizes are typically three \$500 and two \$250 scholarships. Curtis suggested sponsoring summer orchestra programs also (e.g. Heartland chamber music academy.)	scholarship nominations this year.	
9.	Next PRESTO Meeting	March 27, 2012		
10.	Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM		

Date	Concert s	Time
March 8, 2012	Collage Concert, West Auditorium	7:00 pm
May 1, 2012	West Area Orchestra Festival, West Gymnasium	7:00 pm
May 14, 2012	Spring Concert, West Gymnasium	7:00 pm

Date	Important Dates	Time
March 28, 2012	Pre-State Concert, West Auditorium, Block 2 only	7:00 PM
April 14, 2012	Regional Solo/Ensemble, Olathe S HS, Selected students	TBD
April 18, 2012	State Large Ensemble, Blue Valley W HS, All	TBD
April 28, 2012	State Solo/Ensemble, Emporia, Selected students	TBD
May 14, 2012	Orchestra Banquet, West Cafeteria	6:00 PM
Date	PRESTO Meetings	Time
March 27, 2012	PRESTO Meeting	7:00 PM
April 10, 2012	PRESTO Meeting	7:00 PM
May 8, 2012	PRESTO Meeting	7:00 PM