

Presto Meeting Minutes

April 30, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:00.

Minutes of the April 14 meeting were approved as written.

Student Officer Report

Report passed on through Jeannie Miller, from Emily Miller. A new bulletin board is on display in the orchestra room, featuring photos of the Collage concert.

Treasurer's Report

One more student has paid the uniform fee. This person overpaid by \$3 and also made a \$50 donation. Collage receipts are all turned in. Total expenses were about \$68. Breakfast after West Area Festival and \$200 for the judge for Contest were the only other expenses since the last meeting. Breakfasts went over budget for this year, so this expense should be looked and perhaps adjusted at for next year. Beckman's turned in payment for ads for Collage and Banquet. Bolters purchased storage bins, which will come from the reserve budget, and turned in a receipt for ink for the banquet invitations.

Membership/Website

The website has been very active this month, and has been updated regularly.

There will be PRESTO membership forms available at the banquet. Sabrina has updated the form to modify the committee chair needs. She will forward the form to Tina Railsback.

Communications

No report.

Uniforms

Check in went smoothly, with lots of parent help. There have been more returns since the concert night. Not all uniforms have been turned in. Holds will be placed on diplomas for students who haven't turned in their uniforms.

There will be no price increase from Tower on the uniform cleaning fee next year. Robin Whittenburg will chair the uniform committee next year. Uniforms will be picked up by Tower whenever we have them ready. They'll need to be taken out of the garment bags for pickup.

There are a few uniforms that need repairs. Because 09-10 is the last year for these uniforms (they're being replaced by the district), Mr. Mulvenon recommends that any dresses needing repairs not be sent to the cleaners or repaired, in the interest of saving time and money. There should be enough dresses to cover the few that will be out of circulation.

Uniform fee will be included in class fees next fall, and will be paid along with other class fees, so the cleaning fee line item will be taken out of the PRESTO budget for next year.

Chaperones

Chaperones for Contest were much appreciated, and all went smoothly.

Ways and Means

Sabrina talked to Patty McClusky about next year's fundraiser. She asked Mr. Mulvenon to double check with Ms. McClusky about the events for which PRESTO is scheduled. We're expecting to be assigned homecoming concessions. PRESTO would like to request that we also be assigned a basketball game.

Laura King Hagen will take the Ways and Means title for next year, and would like to concentrate on "bundling" ads, selling ads for several concerts to the same business.

Collage

Extra cakes left over from the concert reception went to Senior Sizzle, and the Biggs family also made a \$100 donation to Harvesters.

Banquet

Mr. Mulvenon is still working on the senior picture, and will Photoshop an absent person into the photo. A podium and microphone will be ready for use in the cafeteria, and auditorium needs are taken care of. 185 reservations have been counted, and there are a few more to add in. Anita will get an invitation to Dr. McClean. Letters and numerals will be put into envelopes and given out at the banquet. Laura has the envelopes ready and will bring them to school. Mr. Mulvenon will turn in a list of awards to Laura to be printed in the program. There will be several business ads and at least ten personal ads in the program. The program will be posted on the website. Mr. Mulvenon will check on the day after the banquet to see if anyone else needs a program, and just that number will be printed. The slide show Laura has created is about 22 minutes long. Golden Ox will need to be paid the night of the banquet.

Picnic

Sabrina is working with Mickey Gehring to set the time of the picnic, so the information can go into the summer Viking Voice. Picnic will be at Shelter 2 at Shawnee Mission Park.

Scholarships

Recipients have been determined. Nine applications were turned in by the deadline. There will be one \$500 scholarship and two \$250 scholarships.

Director's Report

Symphonic orchestra received 2, 2, and 1 at Contest. They played very well – only five 1's were given all day. Freshman orchestra received a 2, 3, and 4, and really put in a very good effort. There was one judge that seemed to have some bias in his scoring.

State solo and ensemble took place last weekend. Kayla Viets, Katie Byrd and Kathleen Martin received 1 ratings, and Jack Karsten received at 2 rating. The kids had a good judge, and received very fair and helpful comments.

Placement tests for next year are finished and results will be posted tomorrow.

Next year, blocks two and seven will be combined for State Contest. Block one will be smaller next year, so those students will be able to receive more individual instruction. There are 19 incoming freshmen.

The tree plaque will be unveiled at the banquet. The tree is doing well.

Seniors may opt out of the orchestra final on final day, but they've been asked to answer the questions at their convenience (reflections on their orchestra experience) for Mr. Mulvenon's benefit– he sometimes uses these comments in shaping the program.

Old Business

Laura bought clear storage bins for uniform closet. She'll do some organizing in the closet.

Sabrina secured an auditor, Dianne Heumann. Jeannie will get all information to Dianne once all paperwork is turned in after the end of the year.

Election of Officers

The slate for 2009-2010:

Co-President – Steve and Sabrina Crooke

Co-Vice Presidents – Rick and Tammy Karsten

Co Secretaries – Rex and Tina Railsback

Treasurer – Jeannie Miller

No other nominations were made. The slate was approved unanimously. New officers received lovely welcoming gifts from the Bolters.

New Business

PRESTO meeting dates for next year need to be set in the next couple of weeks. The second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 seems to work well. Sabrina will work on this task, and will get the information to Patty McClusky.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:19.

