

PRESTO Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: November 9, 2010

Location: SM West Orchestra Room

Topic	Discussion/Findings	Recommendations/ Actions	Follow-Up
Attendance	Attendees: Curtis Mulvenon, Rick Karsten, Tammy Karsten, Rashin Alipour, Tina Railsback, Cindy Lanigan, Sabrina Crooke, Laura King Hagen, Kim Martin, Jeannie Miller		
Call to Order/Minutes	Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The minutes from the previous meeting (October 5, 2010) will be reviewed for approval at the December meeting.		
Student officer's report	The students are currently working on pieces for the Winter Concert. Report time is 6:30. One of the pieces is quite challenging and is based on a Greensleves melody, with two time signatures. The students would like to have a brunch on the Friday after the concert, with fruit and bagels for Block 2 and cookies for Block 7. The officers are considering having a movie night sometime during the second semester.		
Director's remarks and questions for Director	District auditions – 6 students qualified for the District Orchestra. Violin – Lauren Martens Viola – Lauren Lanigan Xivianne Matos Cello – Julia Marquez-Uppman Blake Martin Bass – Charlie King Hagen Mr. Mulvenon encourages the students to concentrate on performing to the best of their ability, not on making the group.		

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	<p>San Francisco trip update – The trip coordinator is ready to discuss specific scheduling.</p> <p>The next fundraiser will be ground coffee sales. 50% of the profit goes to the student account. With sales of 200 units, the vendor will provide a personalized label for the group. The sale will last for two weeks.</p>		
Treasurer's report	<p>The treasurer's report was distributed and reviewed.</p> <p>Associate membership letters – Laura King Hagen will write the letter and bring it to the school. The students will work on these during the brunch. Rick will produce the envelopes. We will send thank you letters to the donors.</p>		
Committees:			
Chaperones	No current needs.		
Communications	Tina Railsback is providing updates to the Viking Voice.		
Membership	No updates.		
Uniforms	<p>Maria Myers will shadow this year, and fill the committee position next year.</p> <p>For the SF trip, need to determine if the students will wear their uniforms or dress clothes.</p>		
Ways and Means	Hen House sacking – shifts will cover 4 days. The student names have been submitted. The pay is \$7.25 per hour. A check for the total earned will be paid to SMW, and the funds allocated to the individual student accounts. The students must wear close-toe shoes, black slacks, and a white shirt. Lauren Lanigan will develop a button to be		

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	worn by the students identifying them with the orchestra. A parent is needed at the first of each shift.		
Collage Concert	A new volunteer is needed to coordinate this. Chris Devader provided cakes last year; we need to check and see if this would be possible again this year.		
Scholarship	There was discussion on if the essay question needs to be revised. This will be reviewed further by the committee.		
Old Business	T-Shirts are on the way; they are supplied by Bruno's T's.		
New Business	Mr. Mulvenon has been named the Kansas Middle School Orchestra Teacher of the Year. West Strings – About 30 students are participating. Several high school students are staying to help. The program is held at West on Thursdays from 3:30 to 4:30.		
Adjournment	Move to close and seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.		
Next PRESTO Meeting	December 7, 2010		

Minutes scribed by Cindy Lanigan for committee review.

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