

Meeting called to order at 7 pm by Kate Ampleman; 10 parents + Mr. Mulvenon present

Agenda Items:

1. Spring Dance – Review Date
2. Fund-raising – Do we want to do a Spring sacking date?
When to schedule sacking dates for next Winter?
3. Student Officer's Report
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Director's Report
6. Meeting dates for February and March meetings
7. Other Business

Spring Dance

- The previous date options chosen are not available. We need to come up with another one.
- An option brought up is to have it at Westridge: group decided that was a NO.
- An option is to have it on a Saturday night instead of a Friday at West.
- Dates were looked at and Saturday, April 13th did not seem to have any conflicts at West.
- Mr. Mulvenon sent an e-mail to the West secretary in charge of scheduling to request that date.
- Mr. Mulvenon will talk to the Westridge Principal to verify that April 13th works for them.
- Kate will talk with the DJ that was hired for the dance in the Fall as soon as she hears back from Mr. Mulvenon that the date is a GO with West and Westridge. She will book him at that time.

Fund-raising

- A decision was made unanimously that there will be NO sacking during the Spring.
- Kate will talk with Shannon Myers (who coordinated the Fall sacking) about when we need to schedule/book dates for Thanksgiving and Christmas 2019.
- If it is best to get the dates scheduled now, Kate will contact the 95th & Antioch Hy-Vee and get us on the books for Saturday, November 23rd and Saturday, December 21st
- Sacking money raised for November: \$739.00
- Sacking money raised for December: \$632.00
- Performance money raised for December: \$136.00
- Mr. Mulvenon stated that next year he will have other fund-raising options of "selling things" for the kids to do to increase the money in their Trip Accounts.

Student Officer's Report

- No student officer attended the meeting.

Treasurer's Report

- Lisa Fetty, Treasurer, had a question regarding how the money raised by the performers should be dispersed in students' Trip Accounts: Of the students that performed, some of them were Juniors and Seniors. Those students no longer have Trip Accounts because they will no longer be students at West for the next trip, therefore the money raised will not be given to them, only to the Freshmen and Sophomores.
- She has 2 options to disperse the \$136.00: 1) All money will be divided evenly among the Trip Accounts of the Freshmen and Sophomores who performed or 2) The money will be divided evenly by 14 (the number of students that performed) and the Freshmen and Sophomores will have their portion put into their Trip Accounts. The remaining money from the Juniors and Seniors will go towards a general scholarship for the benefit of all students.
- After discussion, option 1 was chosen because upperclass student parents stated that their students were under the impression that they would be performing for "fun" and did it with the understanding that those that will be going on the next trip would receive the money.
- Lisa has filed the required Annual Federal and State Financial Documents.
- The Account Balance is \$8,536.26. \$3,000 of that came from the dance for the Westridge students in the Fall.

- The GoFundMe account for Haley earned approximately \$4,000. PRESTO donated \$200. A check was written to Haley's family.

Director's Report

- Mr. Mulvenon has submitted receipts (or will as soon as he has them all) for 2 items: 1) money was used to help off-set hotel costs for the students that went to the State competition and 2) he purchased music for 1st Block that the District did not own (this music was not in stock so had to be printed by the publisher. He will receive a receipt from the seller as soon as the music has been printed.)
- 6 students went to state. They did well and had a good time. The results should be coming out on Wednesday (tomorrow).
- Mr. Mulvenon told the students that went to state that just being there puts them in the top 1% of strings players and they should be very proud of themselves.
- Mr. Mulvenon stated that all 3 Blocks are "hitting it hard!" this semester.
 - 1st Block was given a grade 5 (out of 6 – fairly difficult) piece called "Choreography" by a modern composer. They are doing GREAT!
 - 2nd Block has a Handel piece that he is very happy that they are "getting it!"
 - Freshmen got a piece that he was expecting them to take a week and a half to play and they have gotten it in 2 days!
 - He stated that he needs to "slow down 1st and 3rd Blocks" because they are sight reading the music so well! They are farther along than he scheduled for. He will need to get more music sooner than he expected.
- 2nd Semester concert dates:
 - March 7 – Collage
 - April 2 – Pre-state – Block 1 only to play (5 top groups from District with a clinician)
 - April 25 – WAOF
- For State Large Group, Mr. Mulvenon will only be taking Block 1 this year. Only 2 groups can be entered. In past years, 2nd Block and Freshmen have been combined as the 2nd group. But, this year, the Freshmen class is so large that it will be too difficult to combine the groups. All 5 Directors in the Shawnee Mission District decided that each school will only bring 1 group.
 - The groups play for 3 judges.
 - Each judge will give the group a number and the Director a number and will give comments.

Meeting dates for February and March meetings

- These meetings need to be modified because of conflicts on the school calendar.
- The new dates are:
 - February 5
 - March 19

Other Business

- Scott sent receipts to Lisa for Web hosting costs:
 - Domain name - \$20/year
 - Hosting - \$90/year
- These costs have increased from last year from \$75 in 2018 to \$110 in 2019. He will be looking into possibly changing the web hosting to another company. The Domain name cost will stay the same because that is a static cost and is the same for any entity that sets up a domain name no matter the size of the entity.
- Scott stated that this will be his last year being in charge of the PRESTO web site and that someone else will need to take over the job. Rob Clark (Co-VP) volunteered to take over next year since he works in the IT field.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.