

PRESTO Minutes

Meeting Date: Tuesday, Oct. 16, 2012 Location: Room 150, SMW

	Topic	Discussion/Findings	Recommendations / Actions	Follow-Up
	Attendees: Steve & Cindy Lanigan, Rex & Tina Railsback, Ralph Norton, Arlene Norton, Theresa Lansdon, Don Nanneman, Marcy Dionne, Brenda Rogers, Sue Johnson, Amy Jo Compton, Pam Burnett, Melanie Burnett, Lauren Meyer, Curtis Mulvenon, Carrie Brown			
1.	Call to Order/Minutes – Review / approve Sept. 18 minutes	Sept. 18 minutes were approved.		
2.	Executive and Committee Members/Chairs / Discuss Open Positions Communications: (Facebook) 2013 Collage Concert 2013 Summer Auditor	Cindy went through open positions and made call for volunteers. Student Officers meeting did not discuss possibility of officer taking over Facebook responsibilities. Elizabeth Uppman will coordinate this concert again. Position still open. Cindy mentioned this position is ideal for someone interested in accounting.		
3.	Student Officer Requests/Updates (Melanie Burnett)	Melanie reported that the Homecoming float (Westside Story theme) went well. Songs that will be played at upcoming Winter Concert include <i>Finlandia</i> , <i>Sinfonia Part 1</i> and <i>Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire</i> .		Discuss Officer handling Facebook duties.
4.	Director Updates/Requests (Curtis)	Curtis reported that the Fall Concert was great. Freshman class was nervous, but he picked concert piece where tempo goes all over the place. This helped keep Freshman focused. Curtis' mom was present and said this philharmonic group was his best. He remembers best advice his mom gave him – that it was his job to make his students sound good. Tyler recorded his orchestra group and fixed limitations, like the number of microphones. Steve complimented the light show. Brenda stated the concert showcased a nice mix of music. Sue asked about thoughts on the seating arrangement and mentioned she liked small setting. Curtis	Will ask for more money to help a student out.	

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		<p>replied the setup was due to miscommunication with choir teacher. Agreed it was a good look, but needs to be reworked.</p> <p>Curtis commissioned Jeffrey Bishop, SMNW orchestra director, composer, and friend to write symphony piece. Jeffrey has won compositions awards and published 30 pieces. Has received score and currently working on it.</p> <p>Upper classmen district audition is Nov. 10 at Olathe East. Curtis paid costs out of club account.</p> <p>West is back on rotation for concessions after this year – will have 2012 playoff game. It was expressed that Homecoming game had very little crowd, so did not miss out on concessions.</p> <p>Curtis shared a phone call he received from an 8th grader's mom. Her daughter plays viola and because orchestra had such an impact on her, her grandpa asked that memorial contributions go to West orchestra.</p>		
5.	2012-13 Budget Approval (Pamela)	<p>Pam reported that she made a deposit of \$420 that included \$150 in membership, \$70 donation, \$100 each from Sante Fe Tow and KC Strings.</p> <p>Savings account was closed and transferred to checking account.</p> <p>Pam discussed benefits of transferring checking account funds to the CD and changing the CD plan which was earning approximately \$3.88/yr in interest. Explained that five-year would earn 1.1% = \$28.45/yr. Discussed transferring \$4,000, leaving \$2,600 in checking. With almost \$7,300 in CD, would earn \$83/yr. Can cash any amount at any time (not entire amount) with three-month penalty.</p>	<p>Curtis to submit receipts for Homecoming.</p> <p>Curtis to buy more hand-held recorders.</p> <p>Pam to initiate transfer.</p>	

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		<p>CDs were established in case Presto group disbanded, and there would be money to cover expenses and scholarships.</p> <p>Group approved adding to CD, leaving \$2,000 plus minimum amount in the checking account. Rex moved to authorize. Motion approved.</p>		<p>Pam to verify minimum balance for checking account.</p>
6.	Fundraising Updates (Theresa)	<p>Theresa reported that she sent solicitation letters to previous sponsors and will follow up on a couple more. She has been in contact with Hen House and has provided shifts during Thanksgiving weekend and the Wednesday before. Will ask about that Tuesday night.</p> <p>Has received money from all sponsors except R.E.W.</p>		<p>Ralph to talk to former employee of Homer's Coffee to follow up on that solicitation.</p>
7.	Membership Updates (Amy Jo Compton)	<p>Amy Jo reported that she had a table set up before and after the Fall Concert which generated 7 parent/families' and 3 or 4 associate memberships. Received one large donation of \$50 for a total of \$70 in donations, plus the \$150 in memberships. Couple people just donated and didn't want a membership. Presto currently has 34 members.</p> <p>Friday, she will start letter-writing campaign.</p> <p>Sue suggested idea for 8th graders. At end of April, hit up those families so the students come in as Freshman already members. This would eliminate competition with other membership drives. Suggested March Westridge concert.</p>		<p>Amy Jo to talk to Curtis after meeting for details of letter-writing.</p> <p>Look into moving March Presto meeting to Mar 5.</p>
8.	Discuss Other Important Dates (District/State Auditions, State/Regional Ensembles, SM West Ensemble (Curtis)	<p>Curtis covered district auditions earlier in the meeting and had no other dates to report.</p>		
9.	New Business	<p>Carrie asked what to do with two large binders filled with past Presto minutes and materials. Will start saving minutes on two thumb drives.</p>		<p>Carrie to bring to next meeting and Curtis will store in office cabinet.</p>

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10.	Next PRESTO Meeting	November 13, 2012		
11.	Adjournment	7:50 p.m.		

Date	Concert s	Time
December 6, 2012	Winter Concert, West Auditorium	7:00 pm
March 14, 2013	Collage Concert & Reception, West Auditorium	7:00 pm
April 25, 2013	West Area Orchestra Festival, West Gymnasium	7:00 pm
May 2, 2013	Orchestra Banquet and Concert, West Cafeteria	6:00 pm
Date	PRESTO Meetings	Time
September 18, 2012	PRESTO Meeting	7:00 PM
October 16, 2012	PRESTO Meeting	7:00 PM
November 13, 2012	PRESTO Meeting	7:00 PM
December 11, 2012	PRESTO Meeting (Choir Concert @ 7:00 p.m.)	7:00 PM
January 22, 2013	PRESTO Meeting	7:00 PM
February 12, 2013	PRESTO Meeting (Varsity Basketball)	7:00 PM
March 12, 2013	PRESTO Meeting (Boys' Basketball Banquet)	7:00 PM
April 9, 2013	PRESTO Meeting	7:00 PM
April 30, 2013	PRESTO Meeting	7:00 PM