

PRESTO Minutes

Meeting Date: Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2013

Location: Room 150, SMW

	Topic	Discussion/Findings	Recommendations / Actions	Follow-Up
1.	Call to Order / Minutes – Review / approve Jan. 22 minutes	Call to order at 7:02 p.m. Minutes approved. Steve moved to approve; Dave seconded approval.		
2.	Executive and Committee Members/Chairs / 2013 Summer Auditor	No discussion.		
3.	Student Officer Requests/Updates	Melanie Burnett reported that they are playing Aethelinda and Nabucco. Group will go ice skating on Feb. 22. Melanie thanked Presto for the flowers that were in the orchestra pit. No requests for money.		

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4.	Director Updates/Requests (Curtis)	<p>Curtis reported that they are heavily in contest season. He talked about Athelinda, which is a dark piece. This piece will be for the collage concert – not appropriate for the state contest. For the state contest, they will pick the two best pieces for each group.</p> <p>Curtis discussed decorating practice rooms in a themed décor – by composer or music. He explained a complication with naming the rooms after a music type (i.e. Romantic Room). Rise suggested themes based on time periods. Curtis explained time periods aren't clear and overlap. Considering theme like the Bach Room and Mozart Room.</p> <p>Thinking of purchasing a nice bow to loan out to students as test bows. Rise reinforced the importance of this as it gives students the opportunity to try out different bows and helps parents understand the importance of good bows. Curtis stated he wants to spend money on people, not things.</p> <p>All state orchestra is next week.</p>		
5.	Treasurer Updates (Pamela)	Pam reported no income and no expenses, so there was not an official report. She noted that the scholarship student was sending a letter confirming her college.		
6.	Fundraising Updates (Theresa)	No report.		
7.	Membership Updates (Amy Jo Compton)	<p>No official report. Mary Jo provided a list of everyone who has volunteered at Presto events to Elizabeth to use for the banquet.</p> <p>Sue and Curtis are coordinating an activity to introduce middle school students and parents to Presto.</p>		

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8.	Collage concert	<p>Elizabeth reported that she and Dave were thinking of ideas for prizes along an educational and healthy theme. Dave reported that he contacted some of the websites and needs the tax exempt letter and number.</p> <p>Curtis will add gray Presto hoodie to prizes, along with vintage shirts he has in stock. Dave will get Krispy Kreme coupons. It was determined the grand prize would be an Amazon gift card.</p> <p>Elizabeth will make sign up sheets for the kids to sign up to bring treats and will buy a few dozen cookies in case someone forgets to bring their treats.</p> <p>Elizabeth contacted the Booster Club about using their table cloths for the banquet. She will check to see if table cloths are available for the collage concert as well.</p> <p>Curtis confirmed that West Strings will play at the concert and that it's up in the air on who else will play. He confirmed a mandolin/ukulele duet, string quartet with oboe and possibly a violin/cello duet. Curtis reported that the upper group wants to do an instrument switch where they pick up instruments they don't normally play. Curtis and students are thinking of ways to make this work.</p>		Dave to confirm he received tax letter from Elizabeth or Elizabeth to send to Dave.
9.	Other Important Dates (Curtis)	<p>April 20: solo ensemble. First week of March, Curtis will send out the letter, giving students two months to prepare. The goal is to give everyone a chance to have a private lesson and learn what they can do to get better. Will require 30 minutes of the students' time.</p>		
10.	New Business	<p>Melanie asked about the microfiber cleaning cloths. Curtis explained that vendors won't screen print the cloths unless he buys their merchandise and the vendors don't carry the right size.</p>		Curtis to look into screen printing the cloths himself.
11.	Next PRESTO Meeting	March 5, 2013		

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12.	Adjournment	7:37 p.m.		

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Date	Concert s	Time
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
March 5, 2013	PRESTO Meeting	7:00 PM
April 9, 2013	PRESTO Meeting	7:00 PM
April 30, 2013	PRESTO Meeting	7:00 PM