

Presto Meeting

April 14, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:03.

March minutes were approved as written.

Student Officers' Report

Emily Miller thanked PRESTO for the Collage reception and for the prizes collected and given away. Seniors are excited about the banquet and slide show. Jeannie Miller requested that Emily and the other student officers encourage and remind other students to turn in their uniforms after the West Area Festival on April 21.

Treasurer's Report

Collage revenues: \$626 in donations, plus ad purchased by Beckman Strings for \$100.

One more uniform fee was turned in. Jeannie has not yet received all receipts for expenses for Collage concert.

No charge this year for website hosting as it was donated by Karstens this year.

Banquet ticket sales receipts are likely to be lower than expected because Anita was able to get a less expensive caterer. Therefore expenses will also be lower. Susan Hocker is collecting banquet ticket money.

Reserve for unexpected expenses this year were meant to go toward the tree planted outside the orchestra room and for the plaque for the tree. Mr. Mulvenon will try to find a receipt to turn in for the tree. Expenses for this project will still run less than the \$300 budgeted. Mr. Mulvenon is looking for posters and other items to decorate the orchestra room and would like to put extra reserve money toward this purpose.

Membership/Website

No report. Laura will send the Karstens a copy of the banquet invitation to be posted on the website and e-mailed to families.

Communications

Tina will send an article about West Area Orchestra Festival to the newspapers. She will make sure the summer Viking Voice will have an entry about PRESTO and the back-to-school picnic.

Uniforms

Holds will be placed on student records if they have not paid their uniform fee. Boyd is looking for help checking uniforms in after the Orchestra Festival. Check in will take place in orchestra room. Doors will be monitored to catch students leaving with uniforms.

In the past we've gotten bids for cleaning. Tower Cleaners has done an excellent job and gives us a good deal. After discussion, it was agreed that we'll use Tower again unless they significantly increase their fee. It will be requested that uniforms be returned to SMW at the end of July so they'll be ready for the students when the school year begins.

Chaperones

Chaperones have been found for the large ensemble contest on April 15.

Collage

Some businesses didn't turn in ads in time to get them into the Collage program. They will be solicited to see if they want to run an ad in the banquet program. Collage concert and reception was a success and many cakes were left over, and will be used in some way. Student thank you cards were sent to Dawn Foods for the cakes. A thank you was sent on behalf of PRESTO for a gift card donation from Busings.

Banquet

Invitations have gone home. There are three students who moved during the year, and Mr. Mulvenon will get names of those students to Anita so she can get invitations to him.

Senior pictures will be taken on Friday, April 17.

Golden Ox is catering.

Anita requested that expenses for tablecloths be taken from a line item other than banquets, as the budget is tight and tablecloths are used for other events as well. Boyd's opinion is that it's not a problem to go over budget – we can approve overage on expenses. Also, extra revenues will be generated from sale of personal ads in the banquet program. A "general supply" line item might be added to next year's budget to cover items such as tablecloths that are used throughout the year. Bolters will make sure ahead of time that everything on the powerpoint works on the auditorium equipment and that they know how to run all the equipment.

Picnic

Mickey Gerhing will chair the back to school picnic, with help from Jeannie Miller. Picnic is tentatively set for Aug. 23, the first Sunday after school starts. A request was made that the invitation makes it clear that freshmen are invited.

Scholarships

Applications are due tomorrow, and will be reviewed this weekend and next.

Nominating Committee

For 2009:

Co-President – Steve and Sabrina Crooke

Co-Vice Presidents – Karstens

Co Secretaries – Rex and Tina Railsback

Treasurer – Jeannie Miller

Slate of nominations was approved as listed. Election will take place at the May meeting, which will actually take place on April 30. Rick will be asked to list the nomination slate on the website.

Director's Report

Large ensemble contest is April 15 and performances are open to the public. Curtis downplays the ratings for these events because they're so subjective. Some changes have been made in the execution of the full orchestra works based on comments from the clinician. West Area Festival is April 21.

Old Business

Plaque for tree will be placed by the end of the school year.

New Business

Auditor will need to be appointed by the next meeting. Sabrina Crooke will secure an auditor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14.