



**Lakota East Upbeat Club Meeting
Tuesday, October 17, 2017 at 7:30p.m.
Lakota East High School Jazz Room**



Called to order: 7:30 p.m.

Elected officers present: Amy Stiefel, Al Dick, Maria Wiedwald, Patrice Pieratt, Jenny Tripp

Directors' Reports:

- Mrs. Kathryn Knueven Band Director, Liberty Junior School
(Report submitted via email and is attached).
- Mr. Alan Nordyke Director of Jazz Studies, Lakota Freshman and High School Campuses (Report submitted via email and is attached).
- Mr. Rob Tanis, Director of Bands, Lakota East High School
 - Mr. Tanis discussed "Try Band" for the 7th grade band students. They will have a 40-minute sit-in with high school students to get a feel for what it is like to be a high-school band member. More details will be shared later. The date is not set. The band staff have a plan to interact with 7th graders and winds in sectionals.
- Mr. Kevin Engel, Assistant Director of Bands, Lakota East High School
 - The Florida trip itinerary is loaded to the website.
 - Mr. Engel addressed several questions regarding the Band trip to Indianapolis including cost and accommodations.
 - Mr. Engel commented "Isn't it fun to be a Thunderhawk.", following our wonderful competition performances and making finals at Dayton BOA.

President's Report: Amy Stiefel

- Events since last meeting:
 - Homecoming Game
 - West Game
 - OMEA Loveland
 - Band won Grand Champion plus multiple other awards
 - Dayton BOA
 - Was a great day, but windy. Many helped keep panels in place for the first show.
 - Band made finals, but didn't perform a second time, due to weather.

- Fall Concerts were a success
- Hamilton game
- OMEA Kettering
 - Band won Grand Champion plus many other awards.
- A note about video postings of our season show:
 - For Dayton BOA this year there was a live broadcast, but generally speaking our show should not be shared over social media.
 - It will be shared by the directors at the end of the season for all to view.
- Marching Band Sign-up Genius (SUG) is on the website. The next event shows first on the list. Senior Night will be our next event, and then State Finals at Hilliard Darby.
 - We are still in need of more photographers and two more flower pinners for Senior Night.
 - There are 41 seniors.
 - Marcia Lusnak is the chairperson of senior flowers. 60 flowers have been ordered from Oberer's, and it was determined the order should be decreased to just a half dozen extra.
- SUG is coming to a close for the season.
- VP of Ways and Means, Krispy Kreme Donuts, Uniforms Coordinator positions will be open for next year.
- Entire band leaves Friday, October 20th for Indianapolis BOA Super Regional Contest.
 - Itinerary is on the website
 - Wake-up time Saturday to be determined.
 - Medications will be given by the nurse at breakfast.
 - Uniforms will probably travel with the kids on the buses and go to their rooms. This will be communicated soon.
 - Discussion about providing a snack for the kids on the bus Saturday evening. We have very little left in the supply room. We will probably purchase something for this purpose before Friday. (Granola bars suggested: one box per bus).
 - Breakfast on Saturday is still being negotiated because we leave the hotel so early for our performance.
 - Students travel bags can be put in the band room Friday morning until it's time to load the buses. Freshman bags will be brought over to the high school by Mr. Engel.
 - Each traveler should bring one bag, one small backpack for bus, and Marching Band equipment bag.
 - All information will be given to band kids at Wall 2 Wall tomorrow. Practice Wednesday and Thursday this week take place at Wall 2 Wall in Mason.
- Orlando Itinerary was posted today on the website.
- The 2nd annual Band-o-Ween will be at the last practice on October 26th.
 - We will send a section email to collect candy donations.
 - Volunteers can help put candy together for kids at rehearsal Wednesday, October 25th.
- State Finals are Saturday, October 28
- Marching Band Concert for parents is Wednesday, November 1.
- **Bake Sale: Beth Dendler chairperson**

- Fundraiser during East Craft show November 11 and 12.
- SUG will go on the website after Indianapolis.
- We had record sales last year. Best sale items include the cutesy and well packaged items.
- Move-in will be Friday, November 10 from 4:00-5:30 p.m.
- We will be in the nook at the top of the visitor stands.
- Sign up for baked items.
- There will be no Spiritwear at this event.

Secretary's Report: Jenny Tripp

Motion to approve the September 19, 2017 Upbeat Club Meeting Minutes: Lisa Mullins, seconded by Patrice Pieratt.....**Approved**

Treasurer's Report: Maria Wiedwald

- For a copy of this month's budget report, please contact the Treasurer or Secretary.
- Krispy Kreme has already met its profit goal for the year.
- Raising Cane's fundraiser earned \$119.59
- Tag Day total as of tonight: \$18,759.75.
- Expenses included: CYSO ad, taxes were filed, Attorney General Charitable Registration filed, a check to Patrice for cups purchased to serve the band drinks.
- There is no check from Promospark yet, it is due to come next week. Thirty more shirts were sold.
- It was noted that the Orlando shirts are being sold as a fundraiser, and not given to students for the trip. They must order if they want one. A notification will be emailed to parents so that is clear to everyone. The Orlando shirt is a completely optional purchase.

Vice President of Ways and Means Report: Al Dick

- There is a band night Dine and Donate event at El Rancho Nuevo next Tuesday, October 24th. This is an all-day event. Each customer must present the flyer and 20% of the purchase will be donated to Lakota East Bands.
- Raising Cane's fundraiser earned \$119, (15% of the sales).
- P & G Fundraiser: (J&R Coordinating Services)
 - They are ready to close it.
 - Bring the rest of your items by tomorrow for collection.
- Krispy Kreme Donuts were sold out at the last game, a \$286 profit. The great volunteers showed interest in working for this again next year.
- **Spiritwear Report: Amy Stiefel and Eunice Vogelsang**
 - Promospark online store will be open until November 24th.
 - The Orlando shirt will have a November 2nd deadline in order to receive them by the trip.

- We are moving away from physical inventory and will continue to sell out the old inventory still available.
- There will be product samples available to see at LJS on Thursday, but those must be returned by next week.
- If you have any requests for specific Christmas items to purchase, please contact Eunice directly and she can distribute items privately, rather than through your student, so they can receive items as gifts.
- A suggestion was made to have a Spiritwear open house sometime where parents can see samples and check out sizes.

Vice President of Student Activities Report: Patrice Pieratt

- Patrice extended a huge Thank You to everyone for the Homecoming Dinner. The sundaes from Freddy's worked out well and it was a successful night.
- Dayton BOA Dinner at Welcome Stadium was on October 7th. We had to switch to subs from Raymond's because it needed to be more portable in case we did not make finals. Raymond's did a great job and was affordable.
- Senior Night will be on October 27th at the East vs. Mason football game. It is coming together, but we still need photographers and flower pinners

Marching Band Games and Contests: Additional Information

- There are still volunteer needs including Uniform Shadow, Website Admin, Photographers, etc. Please check the website and look for SUG or contact the LEUC to volunteer.
- Dinner will be served to Senior Band Members on Senior Night 10/27
- The Spiritwear shop is available at <http://www.apparel.promospark.com/lakotaeastband>
- 3rd Quarter Cookies is going well. They need donations of 2-liter clear pop.
- Pit Crew: If you'd like to help please contact the LEUC.
- Indianapolis BOA overnight trip:
 - See Amy for bus lists and room assignments if you are a chaperone.
- Orlando Trip:
 - All new music will be performed.
 - See the calendar for rehearsal schedule for those traveling to Orlando.
 - Everyone who wants an Orlando shirt should order one on their own.
 - The kids are supposed to be able to freshen up at the Rainforest Café when they arrive there on Tuesday morning after the long bus ride, per Mr. Engel.

Meeting adjourned: 8:42 p.m.: Amy Stiefel (motion), seconded by Maria Wiedwald

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Attachments:

Liberty Junior School: Kathryn Knueven, Band Director / Upbeat Report October 2017

Liberty Junior School Bands Upbeat Report October 2017

The fall concerts of the 2017 – 2018 Liberty Junior School Bands will be on Thursday, October 19, in the LJS Gymnasium. The seventh-grade band performs at 6:30 p.m. The eighth-grade band and jazz perform at 7:45 p.m. Thank you in advance to the Upbeat Club for being present at the concerts with spirit wear.

This year, Liberty Junior School is celebrating its 40th anniversary. There will be a 40th Anniversary Open House at Liberty Junior on Saturday, November 4, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. The LJS Bands will be performing during the open house. The seventh-grade band will perform at 2:00 p.m. The eighth-grade jazz ensemble and concert band will perform at 3:15 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

The Liberty Junior School Music Department held its annual fundraiser, the Yankee Candle Sale, from September 19 – October 2. The products should be arriving in approximately a week. The band students worked very hard and made it a very successful sale. The diligent efforts of everyone are greatly appreciated. A special thanks is extended to the wonderful volunteers who collected and counted orders and money for the sale. Thanks to all!!!

The LJS Clarinet Choirs are in full swing. The clarinet choirs are volunteer ensembles by grade level that rehearse after school from 2:10 to 3:00 once approximately every other week. Seventh grade and eighth grade clarinet choirs are on alternating Fridays. Seventh grade clarinet choir began on September 29. Eighth grade clarinet choir began on October 6.

Congratulations to the following LJS band students on being selected to participate in the Junior Cincinnati Youth Wind Ensemble:

Rebekah Holter, eighth grade clarinet
Will Price, seventh grade trombone

Congratulations to the following LJS eighth grade band students on being selected to participate in the Butler Regional Youth Symphony Orchestra:

Zach McCullough, trombone
Ben Keenan, tuba

The Ohio Music Education Association District XIII Honor Band / Honor Jazz auditions are Saturday, December 2, 2017 at Fairfield Creekside Middle School. The OMEA District XIII Honor Band Festival is January 12, 13 and 14. The OMEA District XIII Honor Jazz Festival is January 5, 6 and 7. Audition materials will be distributed to the students as soon as they are received at LJS – hopefully by the first week of November.

Following the Liberty Junior School Open House, the next concert of the Liberty Junior School Bands will be on Tuesday, December 19, at two in-school assemblies in the Liberty Junior School Gymnasium. The seventh grade band and choir will perform at approximately 7:35 a.m. and the eighth grade jazz ensemble, eighth grade band and choir will perform at 9:00 a.m. Parents are welcome to attend the assemblies.

Kathy Knueven
Band Director

**Lakota East Jazz: Alan Nordyke, Director of Jazz Studies
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Congratulations on a terrific first quarter. Each ensemble at the main campus and freshman campus has made continued musical progress as they prepare for their fall concert, Monday, November 13, 6:00 PM, at West Main Campus. Please note: The East side schools will have their concert at 6:00 PM, and the West side schools will have their concert at 7:30 PM on the same night. Both are separate concerts, and students are not required to attend the other concert other than their own.

The East Jazz Festival will take place Thursday, November 30, at 7:45 PM, at East Main Campus. Please note: The West side schools will have their jazz festival at 6:00 PM on the same night, and the East side schools will have their festival at 7:45 PM. Both are separate festivals, and students are not required to attend the other festival other than their own.

Last week, each main and freshman campus jazz band student performed their first quarter exam project. It was a pleasure to hear each jazz band member demonstrate all of their musical progress from the first grading period. The students should feel great about all they accomplished and demonstrated through their first quarter exams!

Thanks to everyone for making the first quarter such a success. I look forward to the jazz band members' continued individual and group musical progress as the school year progresses!

Sincerely,

Alan Nordyke

Lakota Jazz Bands