

Lakota East Upbeat Club Meeting Tuesday, September 18, 2018 / 7:30 p.m.
Lakota East High School Band Room

Called to order: 7:30 p.m.

Elected Officers present: Amy Stiefel, Maria Wiedwald, Jennifer Berry, Jenny Tripp

Directors' Reports:

● Mrs. Maggie Whaley - Band Director, Liberty Junior School (Presented report submitted via email and is attached)

Additional comments by Mrs. Whaley: Please note her email is: Anna.Whaley@lakotaonline.com

● Mrs. Julie Fuqua - Band Director, Hopewell Junior School (Report submitted via email and is attached)

Secretary Report: Jenny Tripp

Motion to approve the August 21, 2018 Upbeat Club Meeting Minutes: Jessica Paul, seconded by Jen Berry.....Approved

Treasurer Report: Maria Wiedwald

- For a copy of this month's budget report, please contact the Treasurer or Secretary.
- Car raffle discussion: We have sold around 500 tickets, which is quite short of our 3500 goal.
 - o The raffle will award an 80/20 split-the-pot drawing if we do not reach our 3500 ticket sales goal, with 80% to the Upbeat Club Budget and 20% awarded in prize money. o Several discussed the possibility of issuing blocks of tickets to the students to promote and encourage sales. o For now, adults can sign out tickets to sell outright, but students will continue taking orders for tickets. Any tickets issued are the responsibility of the person they are issued to. Tickets or money must be returned. o There are only 40 students that have turned in orders so far. Discussion followed on how to incentivize greater participation by band students in the sale of tickets. o Ticket sales at the football games are also lower than expected. Around 50 were sold at the first football game, and very few at the second game were sold, in which weather impacted the sale. o Discussion followed on ways to improve sales at the games. o Local businesses were other possibilities being considered. Putter's and Krogers are possibilities, but have limitations. o 220 kids in the band need to get selling and sell at least 5 tickets each. o Facebook flyers on personal pages were another suggestion to reach another audience and boost sales. o It was suggested that the Director's need to relaunch the sale, as they have the access to the students. o Other suggestions presented included: Newspaper ad, E-flyer on Lakota school site, T-hawk news, and flyer at the concerts. o It was noted that \$70K income listed in the budget is based on this fundraiser. If not

reached, we do not have the money to do all in this budget.

- Krispy Kreme donut sales have almost met their goal after two games.
- Spiritwear has already surpassed the budgeted income.
- We received a second check from Kroger, which averages between \$500-\$600.
- Expenses show in concert band line are for Winds dresses and will get paid for by students.
- The new Gator and 14-foot trailer show for \$1500 and will be donated to the school district.
- All tax information has been turned in to the CPA.
- Discussion about the future costs of SmugMug account and other ways to manage photos of the band? Their costs keep rising. Will keep for the next year and continue to monitor it and discuss other options.

Vice-President of Ways and Means: Jen Berry

- KK Donut recap from 8/24 and 8/31: net profit of \$1330. We are projecting \$4000 for the season depending on weather. Jen wanted to thank the whole team that is working to sell donuts this year, and Rob and Kim Dutze for delivery and set-up.
- Chipotle Dine and Donate event will be on 9/24/18 from 4-8 p.m. The band will receive 33% from the sale and you must bring the flyer with you.
- There will be a future Dine and Donate Night at Texas Roadhouse on 10/15/18 (no school) from 4-10 p.m.
 - o Only 10% donation but allowed to bring anything to sell (Shirts, Baked goods, Raffle Tickets) which makes this an opportunity to move car raffle tickets to the public.
- Update on Corporate Sponsorship: a sub-group/committee is being formed to further work on this and generate more income for our needs. Currently taking applications. Please see Jen Berry if you are interested.
- Jen is currently forming a database for Lakota East Band Alum and their parents. This will allow us to capture former parents for donations in the future who want to lend support beyond having students in the band currently.
- Spiritwear Update:
 - o Spiritwear announcements will always be on the website. Please visit <http://www.apparel.promospark.com/lakotaeastband> o Updates will be coming about the next shop.

Vice-President of Activities: Krista Haubner

- Thank you to Elaine Nomina for her help with the Band Night dinner, and to all those that helped and donated to the event.
- Homecoming Dinner will be chicken tenders and Texas toast from Raising Canes.
 - o The kids have a 4:20 p.m. report time, and we will serve them dinner. Canes will do a DND and asked us to contact them. Jen Berry will take care of this.
- Homecoming performance details and itinerary were reviewed and verified.

President's Report: Amy Stiefel

- Please refer to the Lakota East Band Website for all current dates, events, and contact information: www.lakotaeastbands.org

- o The Season Sign-up-Genius is up and online. Please sign up for this Friday's game through this link. o 3rd Quarter Cookie PDF schedule is on the website and listed by section.

- Homecoming: Mellos, Baritones, Trombones

- East/West Game: Altos, Trumpets o Google Calendar on the website is the accurate calendar and most up to date.

- Bowling Green BOA schedule is posted on the website. 5:30 a.m. arrival

- o The band will be fed dinner: Domino's pizza, chips, and water

- o Bus chaperones will also provide water for after the rehearsal/practice that morning.
- East/West Game is October 5th
- OMEA Kettering Competition is October 6th
- Game vs. Colerain is October 12th
- Angie Deutsch is planning support for Hawks for the Cure at the October 5th game by painting the old plumes pink for the marching band to wear. Guard will have pink flags or ribbons.
- o Concert band uniform fittings are in progress. The students will be taking concert band uniforms home this year to keep until turn in at the end of the concert season. o First Concert is October 8th.
- Leadership Needs 2018-2019
- o Band Camp Coordinator for 2019 o Website Administrator o Jazz Band Programs Chair o Cool Jazz 2019 Coordinator o Shadow for OMEA State AE Chair o Photography Chair

Marching Band Games and Contests

- Please add Lakota East Band as your charity for your Kroger Plus Card. See the website for instructions.
- Meeting adjourned: 8:32 p.m. Maria Wiedwald (motion)/ seconded by Terry Mitchell..... Approved

The next Lakota East Upbeat Meeting will be held Tuesday October 16th at 7:30 p.m. in the Lakota East High School Band Room.

Attachments:

Liberty Junior School Band Upbeat Directors' Report September 18, 2018

The fourth annual Lakota East Band Night on Friday, August 31, was a great success! The Liberty eighth grade band students thoroughly enjoyed the experience they had with the LEFS and LEHS band students! A special "thank you" is extended to Mr. Tanis and Mr. Engel for all of their hard work to make this happen. Another special "thank you" is extended to the LEHS Upbeat Club for providing a great meal for all of the students at Band Night.

The Liberty Junior School Music Department Yankee Candle Sale began today, on September 18. The music students are selling Yankee Candles and other gift items by Yankee Candle until Monday, October 1. Please support the LJS Band Program by buying a Yankee Candle product from an LJS band student!

The first concerts of the LJS Seventh and Eighth Grade Bands at Liberty Junior will be on Thursday, October 18, in the LJS Gymnasium. The Seventh Grade Band will perform at 6:30 p.m. and the Eighth Grade Jazz Ensemble and Eighth Grade Band will perform at 7:45 p.m.

The LJS Eighth Grade Jazz Ensemble, an extra-curricular ensemble which meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school, will have its first performance at the LJS Bands Fall Concert in October. There are 45 students in the LJS Eighth Grade Jazz Ensemble this year.

The LJS Clarinet Choirs will be starting up soon. The seventh grade clarinet choir will begin rehearsing on Friday, October 5. The eighth grade clarinet choir will begin rehearsing on Friday, October 12. The ensembles will rehearse every other Friday throughout the school year and will end with a pizza party and awards ceremony at the end of the year. Date of the pizza party and awards ceremony is TBA.

Maggie Whaley Band Director Liberty Junior School

Hopewell Junior School Band Upbeat Directors' Report September 21, 2018

Hopewell Junior bands are off to a great start! The 8th grade band students had a wonderful time at band night!! They learned so much. The high school band students were so welcoming! As the 8th grade students had just settled on the field and were between the high school students, very nervous, I saw several high school students give the 8th graders around them fist pumps! If you could have seen the faces on the 8th graders and the smiles. The nerves went away. That still warms my heart! We have such great kids in band!!

Thanks to the band parents for once again providing such a great dinner and amazing help and support as always.

8th grade band performs at a school pep assembly next Wednesday, Sept. 26th. 8th grade jazz band is working hard learning new music!

7th grade band is off to a great start and looking forward to their first concert.

Our first band concert is Tuesday, October 30th. 6:30 p.m. 7th grade band and 7:45 p.m. 8th grade band and 8th grade jazz band

Thanks,

Julie