

Lakewood Performing Arts Council
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 13, 2007 – 6:30pm

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order in the LHS main office conference room by President Lesley Gray at 6:32pm. Cindy Aragon, Judy Cheatham, Phyllis Gallagher, Janet Streitenberger, Tom & Pat Fritzler, Renee Wooley, Beth & Ron Nickell, and Peter Daniluk, were present, as were Board members Doug Harris (Music Director), Cindi Stuckey (Secretary), Cindy Johnson (Treasurer), and Karen Childs (Vice President).

Approval of the Minutes – Cindi Stuckey moved and Phyllis Gallagher seconded approval of the May 5, 2007 minutes. The motion was carried by unanimous consent.

Treasurer's Report – Cindy Johnson distributed the May 6-June 12 financial report, and reported that we are in the black, as the LPAC balance is greater than the Bingo points reserve. It was noted that the discrepancies in payments versus budgeted amounts for BR-06, WP-07, and WG-07 are much greater than the collective outstanding unpaid balances from the student register, distributed during the Board meeting. Cindy will analyze this discrepancy and report back. She will also update the student register with recent payments so that “gentle reminders” can be handed out to the students who have missed the first payment deadline.

Lesley explained to the new parents the definition of student points, and the distinction between the points account and the general fund.

President's Report –

Music Awards Ceremony: Lesley reported that the May event went very well. The event cost just over \$500, and Mrs. Wilmarth will share the cost. Doug suggested sending the bill directly to Julie Boonstra in the main office (Tue/Thur). Doug wants to continue combining the vocal and instrumental programs, with general consensus that the Mt. Vernon venue was too small.

Ice Cream Social/Parent Meeting: The social/meeting on June 2nd went well, with just over half of the students' parents attending.

Student Registration: Parent volunteers are needed to man the LPAC table during student registration August 8-10th. Shifts are from 7:30 to 10:30 am, and noon to 3:00pm each day. Two volunteers per shift are needed to give out LPAC information and sell merchandise.

Director's Report –

Pops Concert: The Pops Concert had a very successful run, selling out all three days. We don't yet have a final tally on the revenues generated. The concert DVDs have been mailed out by the production company, but we are still waiting on the CDs.

Bengal Regiment: The BR season is off to a good start. Eighty eight students are in the marching band and color guard. The students have received CDs to help them practice their music. Rehearsals will concentrate on the music first, with drill practice commencing the end of July. Ninety percent of the marching calendar has been put together. When the school administration “settles down” (with new Assistant Principals coming on board), the rest of the schedule can be locked down in about two weeks.

Strings Camp: Doug has lined up one instructor to date for the workshop scheduled July 16-19th, 9a-3p daily. The students will concentrate on audition music, scale music, and performance music. LPAC will close out the camp with an ice cream social.

2007-2008 Trips: A tentative California trip is being looked at for 2008. Doug first has to wait for the county to firm up some music activity dates before he can commit to any trip details. The Winter Percussion Dayton trip in April will probably not happen in 2008 because of the timing and collective expense to the students.

Fundraisers –

Bingo: The next must-go is August 11th.

Building Scrap Salvage: Peter Daniluk reported that 20,000 lbs. of copper and aluminum were pulled out of the old school building, with approximately \$7,000 profit realized by LPAC. Another check for \$1,000 will be expected for the sale of windows. Working around the asbestos abatement schedule, Peter hopes his crew can remove windows (about \$2-3,000 profit to LPAC) and copper (\$2,500) from the remaining building in July.

A Taste For the Arts III: Karen Childs reported that 32 people attended the event on June 1st with just over \$1,000 profit to LPAC. She and Joe will consult with Doug as to where in the music program the revenue will be applied.

White Fence Farm: Lesley will check into the availability of the restaurant to sponsor an LPAC fundraiser the first week of November. Several other restaurants (including Noodles & Co., Boston Market, The Black Eyed Pea, and Chipotle) were suggested as possible fund raising venues.

New Business –

Bandcoming: Lesley will schedule the end-of-BR-season celebration for late October or November at the Mt. Vernon Events Center. The price of the students' tickets was included in the Bengal Regiment fees.

Assistant Catering Manager: Carrie Thompson needs an assistant to pick up catered meals on a few dates that Carrie cannot attend.

Bengal Regiment Directory: Cindi Stuckey reported that the first edition of the student directory has been printed and will be distributed to the band after practice on June 18th. After corrections and lagging parent permission slips are turned in, the final edition will be given to the students in July.

Drums Along the Rockies: The 60 tickets purchased by LPAC have all been sold. Lesley will by a smaller block of tickets on an as-needed basis.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

The next LPAC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 11th, 2007 at 7:00pm in the LHS main office conference room.

Board Use:

Outstanding Action Items –

- Research discrepancies in payments versus budgeted amounts for BR-06, WP-07, and WG-07 (Cindy)
- Give out gentle reminders for missed payments to students at rehearsal (Lesley/Cindi/Karen)
- Give Julie Boonstra bill for Vocal Music department's share of Music Awards Ceremony (Lesley)
- Solicit volunteers to Student Registration (Board)
- Check into White Fence Farm availability the first week of November (Lesley)
- Reserve Mt. Vernon Events Center for Bandcoming in Oct/Nov (Lesley)
- Solicit Assistant Catering Manager (Board)