

West Deptford Band Parents General Meeting 9/15/09

- Meeting called to order at 8:07 pm with the pledge of allegiance.
- Motion to accept the meeting minutes from last month – motion by Jill Cullen, seconded by Shannon Cornelius.
- Treasurers report given by Rose
- Rose will pick up the trophies this week for the cavalcade
- Spirit Wear – samples of what we have and order forms are on-going. These can be ordered anytime.
 - We also have spirit wear from previous years – please buy them – We have them here tonight or they can be bought on Saturday.
 - Spirit Wear is not a fundraiser. We sell it for what we pay for it. This is so we can show support our band.
- Hoagie fundraiser – on Saturday September 26th our kids have 2 shows. We thought it would be a good idea to sell the hoagies and possibly add chips and a soda for the kids to have lunch. You can also buy the hoagies for yourself or others. They can be delivered if you cannot pick them up. Hoagies are from Woodbury Deli.
- General fund – As always fundraisers are optional – a portion of some of the fundraisers goes to the kids, the rest goes to the general fund. We use the general fund give out scholarships, drum major camp, trophies, plaques, pay for staff, etc.
- Candle fundraiser – info will be coming out soon.
- Cavalcade is Saturday 9/19/09
 - We have lots of sig up sheets – please sign up.
 - We feed the judges, the directors, police, paramedics are all of the workers at the cafeteria. Please signup to bring food for this.
 - Only committees that are full are: runners and the crowd monitoring group
 - We are in desperate need of help
 - No school staff is provided for our home show – we have to do this on our own
 - If you cannot commit to the entire day, please work sign up to work what you can.
 - The color guard may not be in their uniforms.
 - For chapters – we will shut down the concession stand when our band performs. For the cavalcade- we will stay open.
 - Each student needs to bring a 6 pack of water or soda and take it to the cafeteria
 - Trays are at the front of the room for food for the judges
 - Dee will email times and lists later this week
 - Bathrooms – we are asking the school to make sure there is enough toilet paper in the restrooms.
 - Show starts at 6 pm – gates will open at 3 pm – ticket people in place at 3 pm.
 - Basket auction – needs people for sales and need some additional donations. Shannon would like to thank everyone that has donated to the auction. If you still have a basket, please send an email to Shannon.

- Parking committee – we need people on the committee. Mr. Monsu, Mr. Singiser , Mr. Kershaw and Rose Rossiter will get together to discuss parking
 - The first 2 bands will go to Oakview – these are the Group II bands – Pitman and Williamstown.
 - The rest of the bands will go to bull dog run.
 - We need 8 to 12 people to work on parking.
 - Mr. Kershaw has a package put together to give the band when they arrive.
- Kids schedule for Saturday is online and detailed to the minute. Please look at the website for up to the minute changes.
- Pit Crew committee – to help move the pit equipment on/off the field. Please get together with Mr. Houghton. We need people at the competition and football game. Meet at the goal line – just need to move the equipment from carts to the track. If you can make one or all that is great. Any one is appreciated. First time we need people is Saturday at the football game.
- Students will carry the boxes on and off the field.
- Mr. Kershaw
 - Thanks for handling the game change from Friday to Monday. We really appreciate all the juggling.
 - Mr. Folsom had the band in mind when the decision was made to move the game. He wanted to keep the field in good shape for both the band and the football team.
 - Email from Mr. Kershaw – if you didn't get an email please send an email to Mr. Kershaw and he will add you to the list.
 - Sectionals – kids schedule their own sectionals. They are optional but the kids pressure each other to get there- they want to commit to being the best, so they work on things together.
 - If the kids stay through after school, Mr. Kershaw is here.
 - Uniforms sent home – garment bags are being checked – Saturday they will have them.
 - Color guard shoes are \$30. We will order them and collect the money or talk to Mr. Kershaw later.
 - When we go to other shows – we will be able to buy tickets from Mr. Kershaw. When we buy from Mr. Kershaw, we get to keep the profit. Ticket money goes into prop, etc.
 - For the days we have 2 shows, he will sell the tickets for one price.
 - One football game issue – 3rd quarter – band is off. Band parents provide a snack for both bands. The snack provided is free. They have a choice of a hot dog or a pretzel and a bottle of water. No other free food will be given to the band. If the band wants anything else, they must pay for it. Mr. Kershaw will give the band this information. This is not just a cost but a logistical issue. Mr. Houghton started this for the band several years ago and the band parents have tried multiple ways to monitor giving the students one snack and water. This is a band parent expense.
 - Open for discussion? Do the students need more choices? Do we leave it as is?
 - This is only for football games. For competitions, the kids have water and baked goods.

- For the visiting band we will continue to give them a pretzel and water.
- Should we offer a burger, cheeseburger, hot dog or pretzel?
- What about vegetarians?
- Parents are upset that they worked in the stand and could not give food to their kids.
- Motion to continue the hot dog or pretzel with water option and give the kids a hamburger instead if they ask for it.
- We will give them a ticket they will take to the candy line to get a burger in exchange. We will try this for the next game.
- Can we order large bags of popcorn since people are asking for it and we no longer have the popcorn machine? We will look at this at a later time.
- Also, if you work in the concession stand, you can pay for stuff to give to your child.
- Mr. Houghton asked Mr. Kershaw to make a To-Do list. Anything that needs to be fixed or something that needs to be done. If you have extra time, please volunteer to work on it.
- Buddy bags will be done this weekend. The kids swap names and get some sugar and stuff.
- Motion to dismiss – Mrs. Bond and Mrs. Dawson seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted by Amy Stewart