

Minutes from September 19, 2006 WOLFPAC meeting

Held at Chiles Chorus Room, 7:00 p.m.

Meeting attended by:

1. Debbie Bacon,
2. Dr Alan Cox, principal, Chiles High
3. Joan Davis
4. Lisa Daws
5. Lillian Finn
6. Rick Herndon
7. Gaye Herndon
8. Eric Miller
9. Paula Miller
10. Ed Moore
11. Kathleen Moore

12. Pam Moore
13. Lynn Nilson
14. Kenny Paillet
15. Madelyn Skene
16. Rick Weinstein
17. Mark Wheeler
18. Ginger Wheeler

Faculty in attendance:
Tucker Biddlecombe

1. Welcome parents and introduce guest: Rick Weinstein, President

- A. Dr. Alan Cox, principal, Chiles High School talked to our parent group about the way funding works for programs such as drama and chorus. Dr. Cox thanked Mark Wheeler for agreeing to serve on the School Advisory Council (SAC) committee this year. He praised Tucker Biddlecombe for the fine program he is developing. Dr Cox delineated how money is allocated for programs and why parent support groups are so necessary
- FTE \$3,500 per student
 - 87% of budget is for labor (employees)
 - Staffing plan, based on numbers of students per class
- Flex budget-remaining funds go to plant operations (operation of individual schools)
- Categorical budget- sub budget
 - \$17,000 for student activities
 - Football program does not get this money
 - \$2,500 goes to chorus from District
 - Principal's discretionary fund- drink machines, used for Chiles Band program
- 5013C booster programs that support athletes, Chiles rents out the auditorium, District gets a cut and money from auditorium rentals goes to run facilities (example: golf carts on campus)

Please address questions to Debbie Kimbro, Student Activities Coordinator

- B. Madelyn Skene, our vice president, stood in for PTO volunteer coordinator Myra Faintich, to remind us to record our volunteer hours on the Chiles volunteer website. <http://www.itechinfodesign.com/chiles/hours.asp> Volunteer hours attract matching funds with grant writing, the higher the number of volunteer hours, the more likely a school is to attract grants. Questions about volunteer hours should be sent to myrafaint@comcast.net
- Madelyn also suggests that the show chairs encourage their parent volunteers to record their hours. Hours can be recorded as a total for each month instead of one day at a time. Open the Chiles web site at "www.chiles.leon.k12.fl.us", click "Information" then click "Record your volunteer hours".
2. Debbie Bacon, also known as friendsofchilesmusical@yahoo.com , sends out information about the shows. Parents can also get information from www.chileschorus.com , click "parents" enter e-mail address in the "yahoo" box to receive updates.

3. Committee chair positions:
Bernadette Kearney will chair the cast meals committee for Fahrenheit 451. Thanks, Bernadette!

4. Mr. Biddlecombe's tasks
 - a. Very pleased to take Belle Chantique to Orlando for the ACDA concert. Belle Chantique was one of 6 choruses selected from 100 which were reviewed by the ACDA and was the only high school chorus selected!!
 - Nov. 1, 2:00 Belle Chantique concert at Chiles High School
 - Nov 2, 6:30 Concert at First Presbyterian Church, Lakeland, FL
 - Nov. 3, 2:00 ACDA concert at Rollins College Music Hall, Winter Park, FL
 - b. Mr Biddlecombe wants a pretty program with the WOLFPAC members listed as patrons.

 - c. Need help for Chorus All State auditions transporting about 30 students
 - Oct. 3 to Lincoln High
 - Oct. 5 to Leon
 - d. October 10, 7:30 Fall Chorus concert at Chiles High School
 - e. October 20: "Mostly Mozart" Concert: combined choirs from Chiles, Leon, Lincoln and Lake Brantley (Orlando) perform at FSU, Opperman Hall, 7:00.

5. Status of Celebrate Education Fundraiser: Kenny Paillet, committee co- chair, needs parents to sit at tables at Parisian store this week through Saturday evening, Sept. 23. WOLFPAC keeps the \$5.00 for the ticket and the funds will be split among the 23 participating schools for this event.

Note: WOLFPAC raised \$700 through this event! Thank you, Kenny! The next similar event is scheduled for Nov. 4. We need parents to sit at tables during the intermissions for Fahrenheit 451. Please contact Madelyn Skene if you can help.

6. Endowment fund: Still working on the concept of sponsorship levels. Propose letter to send to non-parents and alumni. Agreed that endowment fund should be used for big purchases, Neil Skene will set up guidelines for how to put funds into a certificate of deposit (CD).

7. Fundraising committee to meet between now and next meeting. **UPDATE: The fundraising committee met on 10/12/06. Those present were, Co-Chairs Susan Howell and Kenny Paillet, Debbie Bacon, Pam Moore, Madelyn Skene and Rick Weinstein. Several ideas for fundraising were discussed including: The "Charity Sale" at Parisian in November, "Scrapbooks sales", "Sees Candy Sales", "Table at all performing events with above items to sell ('no one supports Chiles H.S. like Chiles')"** to name a few.

Rick pointed out that while all the ideas were good there is a core issue of having the parents/participants to volunteer for any fundraisers held by WOLFPAC. Without volunteers/a formal committee there can't be successful fundraisers.

Kenny agreed to obtain the latest WOLFPAC member list so that phone calls could be made to members requesting their commitment to fundraising. Communication and follow through are key to successful fundraising.

8. Debbie Bacon: Treasurer's report: \$3278.40

9. There was a discussion regarding how decisions to spend money are made within WOLFPAC. More to come...

10. Contact WOLFPAC members to determine how they would like to be listed in programs

11. Next meeting: November 14