

**Traverse City Music Boosters Meeting  
June 15, 2021**

**In Attendance**

Kevin Smiley  
Wendee Wolf-Schlarf  
Jill Jenkins  
Linda Blakkan  
Eileen Mikulski  
Andy Richards  
Thomas Hoxsie  
Peter Deneen  
Andrew Schafer  
Jodi Simpson  
Alline Beutler

Meeting was called to order at 6:32pm. The April meeting notes were reviewed and approved.

**Music Director's Report**

The school year is wrapping up. Student leadership conference scheduled for June 17-18 at West High School. With the scheduling of summer camps and fall programming music education in TCAPS feels like it is getting back to normal after a challenging year and half.

**Vice President's Report**

No report.

**Treasurer's Report**

A few donations came in from the benefit concert. Eileen will push the concert and request for donations on Facebook. Mini grants for the year have all been paid. Though we have had limited fundraising opportunities this year, we are ending in a good place financially. Jill motioned to approve the report. Linda seconded. Motion passed.

**TCC and TCW updates**

*West Choir Parents-* At a recent choir awards night they were able to grant six \$1000 scholarships. Their website ([www.tcwestchoirs.com](http://www.tcwestchoirs.com)) is now up. They hope the website can be used as a resource for finding voice teachers, accompanists, and other support for choir students, as well as to promote the choir program. The vision is to support the whole choral program at TCAPS and they hope to list performances and promote choir at CHS as well. There are parents willing to work with Central Choir parents on a website if they are interested.

*Central Choir Parents-* The idea of supporting the choral program throughout the district is wonderful. Nothing to report currently.

*Central Band-* Preparing for drum camp and band camp this summer. The school owned instruments are being sent to Marshall Music for service, which could not happen due to Covid-19 last year.

*East Middle School Choir*- The year ended with a live choir concert. There are intentional connections being made to help the middle school parents bridge to the high school choir parent organization. Andrew and Tami have applied to give a presentation at the 2022 Michigan Music Conference.

## **Old Business**

### **Annual Benefit Concert- Virtual- May 27**

\$200 in donations was brought in so far. Larry Burden and Patrick West recorded all year and worked many hours to put together the video. Kevin will send a thank you for their work. Kevin will also send a thank you to the superintendent.

### **MB Board elections-**

*Jill Jenkins* was nominated for President and Scholarships

VP position is still open

*Krissy Kernan* was nominated for treasurer, but she is unable to begin until fall. Andy Richards has agreed to stay on as treasurer through the summer.

*Alline Beutler* was nominated to stay on as secretary

A verbal vote was made, and all candidates were confirmed. Jill thanked Kevin, Andy, and Linda for their service to the Music Boosters. The search for a Vice President will continue this summer.

**Mini-Grant Reimbursement-** \$3439 was paid out for this year's mini-grants.

**2021 Secondary Student Leadership Workshop-** 80 students registered for the workshop on June 17 and 18. Wendee thanked Music Boosters for the support to help make this opportunity a reality. TCAPS music staff hope this type of leadership workshop can be repeated every 2-3 years.

## **New Business**

**August Social Gathering- Outside-** Tentatively planned for August 24. Kevin will share planning information with Jill.

**2021 Annual Meeting-** Scheduled for 7:00 pm on September 30 at Central High School.

**2021 Used Instrument Sale-** Kevin agreed to chair the sale. There was discussion about changing the schedule to a Friday night drop off and Saturday sale. Kevin, Wendee, and Eileen will brainstorm ideas and discuss possibilities. The finalized details will be shared at the August Music Boosters meeting.

## **Open Forum**

With an open Vice President position there was discussion about who will maintain the website. No decisions were finalized. The possibility of adding a communications role to the board or changing the Vice President responsibilities to include website and social media communications was discussed.

Eileen will follow up with TCAPS printing for an update on the letterhead re-design.

Kevin moved to close the meeting. Linda seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm.

**The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 10 at 6:30pm. It is yet to be determined if the meeting will be virtual or in-person. If it will be an in-person meeting, a location will be announced soon.**

Respectfully submitted by Aline Beutler