

Traverse City Music Boosters
Tuesday, April 17, 2018
Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order by Kevin Smiley at 6:35 p.m.

Attendance

Kevin Smiley, President
Linda Blakkan, Vice President
Jill Jenkins, Grant/Scholarship Coordinator

Paul Soma (Superintendent), Wendee Wolf-Schlarf (Music Director), Eileen Mikulski (AA Music Dept.), Tara Yantz (TCCBPO), Flournoy Humphreys (WMS Band Dir.), Michele Zebell (EMS Orch.), Alline Beutler (Past Pres. of MB), Karmon Hull (TCWOB).

II. Guest Speaker: Superintendent Paul Soma

Mr. Soma discussed the August 7, 2018 Bond Proposal. 3.1 mills for capital projects (facility improvements, bus replacement, safety and security, reconstruction, instrument purchases). The 10 year plan is for continuation of what we have in place, no increase. Current bond expires in 2020. Need people to vote! Will briefly mention before all spring concerts.

III. Review and Approval of January 2018 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Linda Blakkan to approve with changes as discussed. Seconded by Tara Yantz. Motion carried.

IV. Music Director's Update

a. Student Performances

- Vocal Solo and Ensemble had good results.
- Instrumental S&E completed at district level.
- Central Orchestra is participating in State S&E this year.
- TCC String Quartet is performing at MYAF

b. Staffing

• TCW Band Director position is filled. Chad Mielens will join us from West Bloomfield.
• TC WMS Band Director Flournoy Humphreys is retiring end of 2019. Position is announced. May hire this year and have one year of mentoring by Ms. Humphreys.

c. Student Travel

- TCW choirs went to Italy over Spring Break
- TCC Band is going to Florida (Disneyworld) next week.
- TCC choirs going to Chicago April 28th.

V. Treasurer's Report

Expenditures since last meeting:

\$1.78	Copy Command
\$236.25	Bulls I (plaques)
\$54.06	Go Daddy (webhosting)
\$150	Starter cash provided to WSH for flower sales

Proceeds from TCC Flower Sales \$1,233.25

Proceeds from TCW Flower Sales \$1,158.13

Approval of the Treasurer's Report is postponed until June meeting.

VI. Vice President's Report

- a. **Music Boosters Website** - Linda Blakkan gave a presentation of the Music Boosters website. Discussed expanding the Scholarship and Mini Grant pages (Jill Jenkins and Eileen Mikulski to provide). Would also like to add links for the band/choir/orchestra parent organizations on the Contact page.

VII. TCC and TCW Organization Updates

- **TCCBPO** - Tara Yantz discussed challenges with TCCBPO not being recognized as an organization by a bank. Discussed options and decided to establish an account in the name of "Traverse City Music Boosters". Checks should be made payable to "Traverse City Music Boosters" with TCCBPO in the memo line. TCWOB plans to proceed similarly. MB Treasurer will need to review statements and activities.

- **TCWOB** - Karmon Hull reported that bylaws and board members are in place.

- **TCCCPO** - Jill Jenkins reported \$6,500 in fundraising from ad booklet, for choir and individual student use. "Rendezvous" will take place May 25th and 26th.

- **TCWCO** - Wendee Wolf-Schlarf mentioned two events for May: Go Fly a Kite and Cabaret. Also, "Newsies" will be performed by both TCW and TCC next year.

VIII. Old Business

- a. **Online Donation** - Linda Blakkan confirmed that the "Donate Now" button on the Music Booster homepage functions well and links to the MyNorth site.

- b. **Annual Benefit Concert, May 24, 2018, 7 p.m. @ TCC High School** - Eileen is arranging for printing of program and also coordinating the Bucket Passers. There are four speaking portions of the program. Kevin Smiley will introduce TCAPS speaker (bond issue). Jill Jenkins will announce scholarship recipients. Kevin will speak about the Music Boosters organization during "Bucket Passing" and Wendee Wolf-Schlarf will speak about the Music Department.

c. Minigrants - Eileen Mikulski reported that the staff are moving forward with their purchases.

d. Scholarship Recipients - This year there has been some confusion regarding timing and reimbursement. Eileen Mikulski, Jill Jenkins and Wendee Wolf-Schlarf are working to clarify the instructions moving forward.

IX. New Business

a. Meeting and Event Dates for 2018-2019. Eileen Mikulski presented tentative MB dates for the coming year. The group discussed and agreed upon the following:

August 2018, TBA, MB Board Meeting
September 8, 2018, Used Instrument Sale
September 20, 2018, Annual MB Meeting
November 13, 2018, MB Board Meeting
January 15, 2019, MB Board Meeting
January 30, 2019 Eastside Scholarship Auditions (tentative)
February 6, 2019, Westside Scholarship Auditions (tentative)
April 16, 2019, MB Board Meeting
May 23, 2019, MB Benefit Concert
June 11, 2019, MB Board Meeting

b. "Shop Your Community Day" - November 10th. We need to contact DDA and ensure application is completed on time.

c. Board Nominations for 2018-2019 - President, VP and Grant/Scholarship Coordinator incumbents all are willing to serve another term and will be placed on the ballot. Linda Blakkan will send email to announce the elections.

X. Open Forum

a. Used instruments. Wendee Wolf-Schlarf suggested that we email parents at the end of the year to express interest in collecting instruments.

XI. Motion to adjourn meeting by Kevin Smiley. Second by Linda Blakkan. Motion carried, and meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Next Meeting – June 12, 2018

Respectfully submitted by Linda Blakkan, Vice President
Approved June, 12, 2018