

**Traverse City Music Boosters**  
**April 16, 2019**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**I. Call to Order 6:32 p.m. by Kevin Smiley**

Attendance

Kevin Smiley, President  
Linda Blakkan, Vice President  
Sherry Richards, Secretary  
Andy Richards, Treasurer  
Eileen Mikulski  
Jill Jenkins  
Lisa Woodcox  
Wendee Wolf-Schlarf  
Elizabeth Roth  
Jodi Simpson  
Alline Beutler  
Michelle Zebell

**II. Review and Approval of January 2019 Meeting Minutes**

- a. **Move to approve - Linda Blakkan**
- b. **Seconded by - Andy Richards**

**III. TCAPS Music Director's Remarks - Wendee Wolf-Schlarf**

- a. **Central choirs had productive tour in Italy**
- b. **2020 dates set by music staff (tentatively) - Eileen and Wendee meeting collaboratively to try to solidify dates and plans to avoid as many conflicts as possible. WSH will be moving musical to fall semester (first 2 weekends in December) to avoid conflicts with Festival Schedule. TCC has last 2 weekends before Thanksgiving.**
- c. **Flournoy Humphries retiring at the end of 2019 school year**
- d. **Two curricular changes in music dept next year that will begin to remove gender distinctions from choirs**
- e. **Music camps will begin in the spring and continue through summer**
- f. **EMS choirs will be performing at Historic Gardens Park representing original compositions by local musician - Thursday, May 30th.**
- g. **West Cabaret concert will be performed this year at Corson on May 29th only (has been 2 nights in past)**
- h. **Mini grants - report by Eileen Mikulski - still waiting to pay out ~\$100 to Kim Teachout for clinicians - all other grants have been dispersed and are completed**

**IV. Treasurer's Report - Andy Richards**

- a. West flower sales - ~\$600
- b. All scholarships except 1 have now been paid
- c. Amazon Smile program - \$12 for this quarter
- d. Report by Jill Jenkins re: scholarships and new way to keep track of money being used (example: email private music instructors for signatures verifying dollar amounts being spent)

Motion to approve: Kevin Smiley  
Seconded by Jodi Simpson

#### V. Vice President's Report - Linda Blakkan

- a. Lucky's Market Fundraiser - we were to be considered a finalist for the "Bags for Change" Program, but we have not heard anything from management yet. Need to reach out to regional marketing director. Kevin will reach out.

#### VI. TCC and TCW Organization Updates

- a. TCC choir - Italy trip was great, many musical memories made.
- b. TCW choir - fundraising for Cabaret
- c. TCW band - happy with new Director Mielens, working on goodbye celebrations for Fournoy Humphries, 2 students heading to Honors Band recital as well as percussion ensemble, nominations going out for new executive board, Krispy Kreme fundraiser for London trip

#### VII. Old Business

- a. Annual Benefit Concert - May 23, 2019
  - 1. Announcers for scholarships and awards - Jill Jenkins and Alline Beutler
  - 2. Speech givers - Wendee Wolf-Schlarf
  - 3. Boardman Representative - Paul Soma and/or Kevin Smiley
  - 4. Bucket passers and counters ~12 people needed - TCW and TCC combined?
  - 5. Ushers
  - 6. Posters/Programs/Invitations to special guest and scholarship winners/set up will be completed by the Music Department - Eileen and Wendee taking care of design, hopefully being distributed by May 1, 2019
  - 7. Credit card set up this year? Both before and after show - Andy Richards, Lisa Woodcox, Sherry Richards
- b. Fundraising update - Alline heading up effort to set up computer tracking system to keep tabs on donors and donation trends. Kevin Smiley, Andy Richards, and Sherry Richards met with Alline to determine how to proceed. For now, we will be entering donation amounts on spreadsheets to see if we have enough data to consider larger databases.

#### VIII. New Business

- a. **Meeting and Event Dates for 2019-2020**  
(Please see meeting dates at bottom of agenda.)
- b. **Nominations for Board for 2019-2020**  
Kevin Smiley suggests continuing current executive board for 12 more months and having prospective new members “shadow” current members to learn about tasks and responsibilities of TC Music Boosters. Current members agree with plan.
- c. **Music Booster Plaques - \$243.75/25 plaques - within budget from Bulls-I**

**IX. Open Forum**

- a. **Recertification of Benevity.Org to receive donations? Never received any donations from them and they get our bank information if we certify. Members agree that we don't need to sign up with this organization as we have local donation platforms.**

**X. Move to Close Meeting**

**Lisa Woodcox motion to close meeting at 7:56 p.m.**  
**Jodi Simpson seconded.**

Meeting and Event Dates (Proposed 2019-2020)

Saturday, September 7, 2019 9:00-5:00 Used Instrument Sale at WMS  
Thursday, September 26, 2019 7:00 pm Annual Mtg @ WSH Orchestra Room  
Tuesday, November 12, 2019 6:30 pm Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, January 14, 2020 6:30 pm Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, February 5, 2020 3:30 pm East, West MB Scholarship Auditions  
Tuesday, April 14, 2020 6:30 pm Regular Meeting  
Thursday, May 21, 2020 7:00 pm Music Booster Benefit Concert @ CHS  
Tuesday, June 9, 2020 6:30 pm Regular Meeting

Respectfully submitted by Sherry L. Richards, Secretary