

**Traverse City Music Boosters
November 19, 2019
Meeting Minutes**

I. Call to Order by Kevin Smiley at 6:33 p.m.

Attendance

Kevin Smiley, President
Linda Blakkan, Vice President
Sherry Richards, Secretary
Andy Richards, Treasurer
Wendee Wolf-Schlarf (Music Director)
Jodi Simpson
Eileen Mikulski
Pete Deneen
Jill Jenkins
Margo Serrine
Alline Beutler
Joni Griner
Carrie Bui

II. Review and Approval of August 2019 Meeting Minutes

- a. Move to approve by Linda Blakkan - second by Jodi Simpson

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

- a. Both musicals are going well - Fiddler on the Roof (TCW) and West Side Story (TCC) - traditional music was fun for students.
- b. Marching band season closed.
- c. Elementary staff going to Michigan Music Conference using money left by Bill Engel for music department.
- d. All state information expected in December.

IV. Vice President's Report - Linda Blakkan

- a. Google newsletter - Parent contact information. Would be helpful to call parents to recruit for areas of interest.
- b. GoDaddy website up for renewal. Hosting is \$8.99/month. Domain name nominal fee. Motion to approve renewal for \$130 - Jodi Simpson. Seconded by Jill Jenkins. Motion carried.

V. Treasurer's Report - Andy Richards

- a. Received quite a bit in general donations. Thank you to Dave Parrish Fund. Motion to approve - Jill Jenkins. Seconded by Jodi Simpson. Motion carries.

VI. TCC and TCW Organization Updates

- a. TCWBPO - very busy marching season, Krispy Kreme doughnut fundraiser, Fiddler on the Roof is going well. Concerts on December 9, 11, 12.**
- b. TCC choir - West Side Story going well. Pizza fundraiser. Ad book coming out later in season. Working on coordinating with Middle School choir program for fundraising for Ireland in 2022**
- c. Pete Deneen talked about collaboration with TCC and East Middle School music teachers and how successful it appears to be. More student retention. More diversity in instrumentation and natural progression to more difficult instruments. Jazz concert will be in 2 weeks. Middle school and symphony band concert in 2 weeks. Central band will be going to Disney World in April 2020. Middle school symphony band going to Mackinac Island in May - staying at Grand Hotel.**

VII. Special Funding Request - TCAPS Secondary Student Leadership Workshop - Guest Clinician - Dr. Matthew Arau - see attachment

- a. Bringing section leaders, drum majors, choir representatives, etc. together for a leadership workshop to take back to their peers and programs. Around 100 students would be involved. May also involve some key 8th graders to help them start making musical connections. \$2500 fee to bring clinician to town, as well as needed money for airfare, hotels, meals, car rental, etc.**
- b. Motion to cover \$2500 clinician fee for student leadership workshop - Jill Jenkins. Seconded by Andy Richards. Motion carried.**

VIII. Old Business

- a. 2019 Team Group Exercise - tabled until later**
- b. Flower Sales - successful, all flowers were sold - about \$850 raised. Already have parent help lined up for next year's sales.**
- c. 2019 Shop Your Community Day - sales have not been reported yet. Expected by January 2020.**
- d. Endowment Fund - August received \$5500 from community foundation to be used or re-invested. Invest \$3784 and use remainder for scholarships. Motion made by Eileen Mikulski and seconded by Linda Blakkan.**
- e. Music Boosters Donation Letter - letters were sent out to ~170 contacts the end of October. So far we've received 1 check from this effort. Possibly recruit music teacher to share a story of how a mini grant was used for the next donation letter end of April 2020.**

IX. New Business

- a. Dave Parrish Memorial - so far almost \$600 has been donated in Dave's name. Perhaps honor him by naming a scholarship after him? Talk about this subject more in January 2020.
- b. Jill keeping up with scholarship use. One will not be used at all and one student only used \$275 of their total. One orchestra student not responding and will receive a letter stating that scholarship is no longer valid.

X. Mini Grants

- a. **11 applications requesting a total of \$2978. Please see separate list for details. We have \$4000 budgeted for mini grants.**
- b. **After discussion on the merits of each request, all mini grant applications were granted.**

XI. Open Forum

- a. **Considering used instrument sale end of January 2020. Unknown if there is a need for this. Perhaps wait until September 2020 to see if need arises.**

XII. Move to Close Meeting - 8:07 p.m.

Motion to close - Kevin Smiley. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Sherry L. Richards, Secretary

Next meeting January 21, 2020

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 2, 2020	6:30 pm	Regular Meeting