



2019 Fall Membership Meeting Minutes

October 6, 2019

Present:

Danny Walsh, President
Kim Kuhn, VP Guards
Dave Pickett, VP Percussion/Winds
Joe Kuerzi, Percussion Rep
Anthony Leithauser, Percussion Rep
Craig Rizzi, Treasurer
Karen Mae Wesolek, WGI Representative
Issa Lewis, Secretary
Blair Kuhn, Judge Coordinator
Kari Lynn Clark, Contest Coordinator
Oliver Rodriguez, Plymouth-Canton/Huron Valley
Chris Vilag, West Bloomfield Percussion/Lake Effect Percussion
Nathan Noeyack, Motor City Percussion
Wesley Noeyack, Motor City Percussion
Ashley French, Metamorphosis
Jeremy Neal, Livonia Untitled/SVSU
Manjit Gill, Championship Committee
Rebecca Regin, Diplomats Drum & Bugle Corps
Lori Duquette, Diplomats Drum & Bugle Corps
Killian Weston, Euphrosyne/Lamphere HS

Motion to accept the Spring 2019 meeting's minutes made by Blair Kuhn. Seconded by Kari Lynn Clark. Passed.

Board retreat summary

- Relationship between membership and board
- Changing to Box 5 Media
- Scholarships
- Field Day

2020 Calendar

- New registration process
 - Through Competition Suite directly
 - See directions emailed to all current units

- Administrator = whoever is responsible for making the payments
- Show registration will open on November 1
- Working out the details to help MCGC and WGI reps being able to remain in contact with units

Clinic Updates

- Percussion/Winds
 - In-person single-day is changing to 3 webinars starting in November
 - Clinicians: Mark Thurston, Terry Sanders, Darcy Ungst
 - Will be saved for later viewings
 - Price to pay clinicians will be discussed by the Board in the future
 - Guard
 - Lakeland HS, Nov. 3, from 10-3pm
 - No lunch will be provided
 - Clinicians: Adam Bogema, Sarah Weingartz, Jennifer
 - Webinars will be added at a later date for staff
 - Possible performer clinic for the whole state (east and west side; will be located centrally) in summer 2020?
 - Judges Training
 - Same time as guard clinic: Nov. 3 from 10-3pm at Lakeland HS
 - Clinician: Jim Shade
 - Open to all and staff are recommended to come for the learning opportunity and better understand the judging process
 - Also the place to start if you are interested in becoming a judge!

2020 Calendar

- 13 regular season shows; 2 are perc/winds only
- 1 new host facility: Caledonia, guard-only
- Some changes to buildings--Flushing, W. Bloomfield
- Championships
 - March 21--Junior Regional A, scholastic and independent Regional A class color guard teams
 - Separate admissions ticket
 - March 28--Scholastic and Independent AA, A, Open, World, and Collegiate class colorguard teams
 - March 29--All Percussion and Winds classes
 - No pre-sale tickets
- Seeking a social media intern(s) to help us during the season
- Judge panel for Champs will be released 1 week in advance
- No more judge/site evaluations will be sent out after shows; issues that arise should be reported directly to the Board
- MichCon: a partnership between MCBA and MCGC to be held in the spring; a full symposium weekend of clinics, Hall of Fame honors, etc.

MCGC Committee Updates

- None reported

MCGC Advisory Board Updates

- Added at the Spring membership meeting and finalized at summer Board retreat
- Percussion/Winds
 - 19 members, have met online
 - 8 project teams guided by our 2 percussion reps and the VP-Perc/Winds
 - Facilities
 - Education/welcome packet
 - Field Day/scholarships
 - Corporate sponsorship
 - Judge review
 - New Champs site
 - Rule book separation by division
 - Marketing/recruitment
- Guard
 - 11 members spread across several classes
 - Little activity at this point, general satisfaction expressed

2020 New Rules and SOPs

- An awards ceremony will be held at all contests
- Classes greater than 13 units will be split into rounds
- Radio frequencies will be communicated ahead of contests; please avoid infringing on school or other FCC-banned frequencies
- Festival class may come out throughout the season, rather than

WGI Rules that May Affect MCGC Units

- Music for preshow is allowed for guards
- Scholastic eligibility changes--affect scholastic groups pulling from multiple schools and fielding multiple teams (i.e. a Open team and an A team) in a district/area and possibly collegiate groups

Budget

- Blair Kuhn to approve the Treasurer's report from 2019. Joe Kuerzi seconded. Passes.
- Proposed budget for 2020:
 - New sound system purchase--\$7000-8000 to replace old system, recommended by Dan King
 - Dave Pickett moves to accept the budget minus the line item of flowers at Champs for Hall of Fame members and Board of Directors, and adding a line item for the purchase of a second black curtain for Regional A Champs. Anthony Leithauser seconds. Motion fails.

- Danny Walsh moves to accept the budget as is. Mae Wesolek seconds. Amended to add a curtain. Mae confirms amendment. Passes.

New Business

- May 31, 2020--Spring meeting
- Bill Thompson & Stop Action Photography--this will be his last season. Will need to research other vendors/processes. Will be added to spring meeting agenda for next year.
- This is possibly the last meeting in this facility. Thank you to Candace Robinson for helping us secure this space for many years!

Jeremy Neal moved to end the meeting. Kim Kuhn seconds. Meeting ended.

Respectfully submitted by Issa Lewis, Secretary