

MICHIGAN COLOR GUARD CIRCUIT

FALL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

October 4, 2009



The meeting was called to order at 1:17pm by Brian. In attendance was Sharon MacLean, Kari Lynn Kari Lynn Clark, Sharon MacDermaid, Greg Cole, Amanda Slater, Bobby Hazelton, Laura Mixter, Kim Corney, Derek Smith, Lauri Tucker, Renee Cole, Matt Ownby, Cyndia Maddigan, Beth Murawski, Stephanie Kidder and Kathleen Thompson.

INTRODUCTIONS

2010 UPDATES AND CHANGES

Brian sent out a letter recently to inform the circuit membership of changes that have made to support changes from WGI and things done by the board over the past few months.

CRITIQUE - GE

Juno and Brian have has some discussion regarding changes in the judge seating at critique to allow for a better conversation between the judges and the staff members. The Board made the decision at their last Board meeting that we will have 4 tables (Movement, Equipment, both General Effect and Ensemble) allowing 3 minutes with each judge.

MP3 PLAYERS

We burned CD's last year which took a lot of time. We would like to got the route that WGI has taken and we have received a few options from Todd brought that would have the MCGC logo imprinted on them. Todd recommends the \$15.00 MP3 player that is similar to the one WGI offers. The Board discussed this in their earlier meeting and they would like to recommend that we purchase \$200.00. A motion to purchase 150 was made by Lauri Ann Tucker and it was seconded by Renee Cole. Discussion was held. Motion was amended to purchase the \$15.00 one by Lauri Ann Tucker and Renee seconded it. Motion passed.

CLINICS

Greg gave an update on the status of the Percussion Clinic. Rhythm X will be involved in a rehearsal setting and there are several corporate sponsors who are willing to contribute. Tim Fairbanks will be involved for a design session. A facility has not yet been secured. Date for the percussion clinic will be December 12.

Bobby gave an update on the status of the Guard Clinic. Interplay is willing to have the clinic at Cedar Springs. A site is still being looked for on the East side of the state. Date for the guard clinic will be November 21. Bobby would like us to consider a bid form that would make it an easier to choose the clinician's and the facility.

Clinics are ran differently (guard being hands on, percussion not) because logistically it is more difficult for percussion to bring in equipment.



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BUDGET

Sharon MacLean discussed the finding of the budget committee during a meeting this morning. They are currently in the process of reconstructing the line items so that it makes more sense and is better organized. When they are complete, they will make their finding available to the membership for their input.

SCHEDULE

Todd presented the schedule that the Board voted to recommend to the membership earlier this morning. Renee asked that we entertain that Grand Blanc (Interplay) become guard only and Milford become percussion only or host Milford as percussion only and Grand Blanc (Interplay) as a guard only show on the same day (Saturday). Discussion was held. Discussion was also held regarding hosting a west-side Field Day for guard and as well as a east-side field day for guard. It was decided that we will look at the possibility of hosting dual field days on both sides of the state in the future.

It was decided that in light that the Milford/Lakeland organization applied for two shows, that Brian and Todd will contact these hosts and ask them which one they want to give up. Once that is decided the schedule will be posted online and open dates advertised.

Derek thanked Todd for his hard work on putting together this schedule.

SCHOLARSHIP FOR UNITS ATTENDING THEIR FIRST REGIONAL

It was brought up by Derek that we need to better publize that MCGC will pay a units show fees to attend their first WGI Regional. With having a regional in Michigan, we should have more units attending this show.

CONTEST DIRECTOR LETTER OF INTENT

Todd will send the letter of intent with the schedule to people of interest that would like to be a Contest Director this coming season. It will also be posted on the website. Please contact Todd at contestcoord@mcgc.net if you are interested.

TRANSPORTATION OF SHOW FLOOR

The Board is looking for suggestions of how we can transport the show floor(s) this year. We have entertained hiring someone, asking the show host to pick up/deliver each week, etc. We would like to hear more ideas. Discussion was held. Please contact Kari at secretary@mcgc.net if you have any ideas.

MID MICHIGAN VIDEO

We are in the process of accepting bids for videotaping of our Championship show. Mid-Michigan is retiring.



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PHOTOGRAPHY

We should be okay with SchoolPictures.com for 2010.

EDUCATION

Bobby shared with us information on how another circuit tried to get more staff involved in the circuit. They held mandatory meetings where units who came, received first bid on show performance order. Let's throw some ideas on the Board Forum and getting some discussion going. Possibly put together a steering committee to look further into this.

Derek mentioned maybe holding a drawing at each meeting to pay one percussion, one guard units show fee to attend one show based off of who attended the meeting.

Matt mentioned the Judges Journals are a great source. Maybe sending out a survey to the membership would be a good tool.

NOTIFICATION FOR VOTING RIGHTS

All notifications via changes to voting rights, etc...sent to MCGC must be made through the MCGC mail system and not via text message or FaceBook.

SPIN FEST

Eight people attended Spin Fest with a scholarship from MCGC. Kim, Renee, Amanda, Brian, Kari and Sharon spoke about their experience during the weekend. General consensus was that the information they brought back from the weekend was invaluable to them as an instructor and as a Director.

MISC QUESTIONS

Are air blades considered legal equipment? The answer is no. You can use them but they do not count towards legal equipment time.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:10pm.

