

TCGC Spring Meeting 2017 @ Bryan HS

Meeting called to order at 10:10am

Presentation by Tony Florio from Alliance Media

- Addressed Concerns about media forms
- Benefits include access to entire library of website
- Units are not responsible for copyright issues related to website
- 2 SD cards were demagnetized at East Championships
 - All kids will receive free performance of their show next year or anything from a previous performance from Alliance Media if their 2017 show was missing
- Live streaming is possible in the future. Circuit would receive financial cut.
- Only about 70% of the circuit is filling out all required paperwork

Presentation by Courtney Mills from ColorGuardEdu

- Online platform for CG
- Gain new information about teaching the activity
- 1 free access to any webinar on website for every unit director
- How to get a district to hire directors and incl benefits
- Trying to do some partnership ideas early season, i.e. the process
- Reaching out to other parts of the country
- Please email any and all ideas for content to Courtney

Board Reports:

Secretary:

- Minutes from fall meeting 2016 are not available at this time.
- Agenda from fall 2016 meeting presented instead

Treasurer:

- Current account status handed out for membership to see
- Balance currently at \$52,634.82 with bills still coming in to pay
- Savings: \$1098.40, Contingency: \$15,059.38
- Complete fiscal report will be presented at fall meeting

Motion to accept: Michael Vasquez

2nd: Taylor Landers

Marketing:

- Online ticketing, improved communication with parents, growing tcgc brand
- Hoping to incl a newsletter in the future to improve relations with parents
- Social media numbers for Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram presented
- Since 2013 over \$100,000 in actual cash and discounts to Reed facilities

- Facebook live stream from retreats a huge success and looking to expand that
- Looking to hire media specialists to handle highlight reels and all social media aspects for the circuit to improve student/parent relations with the circuit

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Admin:

- Host applications will be up after board retreat
- August 1st postmark is deadline. No late applications. Must be sent certified mail.
- New requirements for applications formatting.
- Directors who changed schools need to email the circuit and let them know so that the circuit can update. No need to create new profile

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Adjudication:

- Continued judge development. Shirlee Doritee conducted training.
 - Required for all members of Judges Association. Local judges were also required to participate in judge training at the first contest of the season
- Ongoing weekly training discussions. Analysis of previous weeks scores.
- Early season shows were WGI panels.
- Championships panels mix of wgi and local
- Feedback provided throughout the season and all concerns were addressed
- Judges were removed from rotation upon concerns
- Future plans include early invitations to judges
- With circuit growth and more advancement of units, development of local judges and their preparedness in the higher classes
- Largest part of our budget are judges related. (travel, pay, etc)
- Jason Harvey- Percussion Judges Coordinator
 - one late show added and local judges used. All percussion judges went through approp training.

Motion: Michael Vasquez

2nd: Taylor Landers

VP of Colorguard:

- Color Guard units show growth in unit numbers. 251 units this year.
- Promotions: 55 units reviewed this season
- Post season WGI promotion: Dawson HS
- Acknowledgment of those units who attended at World Championships
- Thanks to Review Committee, CG Task Force, and Scholarship Committee

- 3 Open Task force positions this year and will be voted upon later in the meeting

Motion: Michael Vasquez

2nd: Taylor Landers

VP of Percussion:

- Percussion units growth. 63 units this year
- Promotions: 9 units
- Acknowledgement of units who attended World Championships
- Thanks to Percussion Task Force
- 3 Task force positions up for election voted on later in the meeting
- Mentorship program instituted for new instructors
- Webinar this season with Caleb Rothe
- TCGC Percussion directors FB page
- Thanks to Jason Harvey, Percussion Judges Coordinator
- Thanks to Executive Board, Jaime Martinez, and Contest Staff

Motion: Michael Vasquez

2nd: Taylor Landers

President: Updates for next season:

- Financial updates..show host fee increase (in attempt to keep unit fees down)
- Pull out fee structure simplified:
 - 2 weeks \$100 (all to TCGC)
 - No show day of \$200 (all to TCGC)
- Re-wording of dues in bylaws for Membership
 - Dues are \$800, but incentives to pay early will keep fee at \$600
 - Highest first unit will ever pay is \$800 till registration is closed.
- Introduce overview/orientation weekends early season
 - Jan. 20 and 27 weekends for CG and Jan 27 and Feb 3 for percussion
 - No scores given. Will also serve as compete by date.
 - Modified panels for guard
 - Director Orientation portion before or after your unit performs
 - Critique from Overview judges
 - Modified panel for more concentrated feedback to RA groups
 - A-W will have a full panel
 - Further opportunity for this model (modified) during regular season

Break for Lunch at 12:05pm, Re-convene at 12:34pm

Proposals for entire membership

- #13--motion Taylor 2nd Michael Vasquez---passed by acclimation
- #14--motion Taylor Landers 2nd Michael Vasquez--passed by acclimation
- #15--motion to accept amendment: motion Michael Vasquez 2nd Rob Sullens
motion Taylor Landers 2nd Michael Vasquez--passed by acclimation
- #16--withdrawn
- #17--motion to amend Kyle Albright 2nd Taylor Landers
motion to accept amend Brandi Ball 2nd Taylor Landers
motion to accept amended wording Taylor Landers 2nd Ray Holland
motion to amend Taylor Landers 2nd Brandi Ball
motion to accept amended Michael Vasquez 2nd Taylor Landers
motion to accept as amended Taylor Landers 2nd Brandi Ball
motion to approve as amended Taylor Landers 2nd Brandi Ball
73-2 proposal passes as amended

Percussion split off to caucus

Percussion Caucus:

- To change class from the previous season, you must email to request that change
- Overview judges this year were Kevin Shah and Ron Hardin
- Championships flow---maybe measure the hallways and post
- Oversize prop storage was a nice addition. Continue on an as needed basis
- Rob Sullens spoke about WGI advisory board meetings
- Future of the activity

- VP of Percussion Nominations
 - Lance Brightwell
 - Roger Marquis (declined)
 - Motion to Vote Rick Hanf 2nd Clay Jasper
 - Lance Brightwell accepted by acclamation

- Task Force nominations
 - Emily Tannert
 - Rick Hanf
 - Clay Jasper
 - Dave Giddens
 - Motion to vote Rob Sullens 2nd Rick Hanf

- Task Force Members are now:
 - A Class-- Rick Hanf
 - Open Class-- Dusty Norris
 - World Class-- Rob Sullens
 - East at Large-- Clay Jasper
 - West at Large-- Emily Tannert

- Clarify Cadet class timing to be the same as Concert A Class.

- Timed warm-up is also the same for Cadet Class as Concert A Class.

Color Guard Caucus:

- New Model for Guard State Championships
 - Familiar elements to UIL, Manage growth of circuit, Keep a 1 day event, cost
 - Advancement will require participation at Area Championships
 - Classifications included at state: RA-World
 - Cadet and Novice championships held same weekend as Area
 - 3 sites for Area Championships
 - Area performance order avg 2 highest season scores and seed units
 - Target number for units is 70
- Add more shows for crowded weekends/areas
- Revised championships progressions system

Motion: Brandi Ball

2nd: Taylor Landers

Guard specific proposals

- #1: motion: Ali Martinez 2nd: Michael Vasquez 13-yes 57-no 19-abstain; proposal fails as written
- #2: withdrawn
- #3: motion: Guilleme Eek 2nd: Ray Holland 3-yes 66-no 11-abstain; proposal fails
- #4: motion: Kyle Albright 2nd: Guilleme Eek 0-yes 71-no 6-abstain; proposal fails
- #5: proposal dismissed, no author available to discuss
- #6: motion: Justin Sullivan 2nd: Taylor Landers 10-yes 47-no 22-abstain; proposal fails
- #7: tabled to new business for discussion 2nd Taylor Landers withdrawn
- #8: tabled to new business for discussion 2nd Taylor Landers withdrawn
- #9: proposal dismissed, no author available to discuss
- #10: proposal dismissed, no author to discuss
- #11: withdrawn
- #12: motion: Brandi Ball 2nd Taylor Landers proposal passed by acclamation
- #18 from new Business motion Justin Sullivan 2nd Taylor Landers-- passed
 - 62 voted most recent score
 - 21 voted highest score of the season

Color Guard Task Force

- Nominations for East Side:
 - Joe Cataneo - voted in
 - Jessica Torrez - voted in
 - Heather Hyde-Wargo
- Nominations for West Side:
 - Joey Powell - voted in by acclamation

Percussion re-joins Guard meeting

New Business

- Individual unit overview score sheets will be handed to students at retreat. No score sheets to students.
- We will look into having the recaps on the director's side of the website only, and not available to the public.
- Fall meeting Sunday, August 20th at Bryan HS
- Discussion on State seeding/options for fall meeting:
 - 50% shuffle
 - All random
- Get judge feedback

Executive Board Nominations and voting results

- VP of CG nominations:
 - Kim Booher
 - Brandi Ball (declined)
 - Nominations closed
 - Motion to vote Justin Sullivan 2nd Andrew Barberi
 - Kim Booher by acclamation
- Treasurer: Marie Debellis by acclamation
- VP of Percussion: Lance Brightwell by acclamation (from percussion caucus)

Motion to adjourn: Michael Vasquez 2nd Taylor Landers

Meeting adjourned at 4:05pm