

EPS MPA Meeting Minutes March 3 2025

In attendance: Tara, Dana, Heather, Faye, Jennifer, Jeroen, Leah, Paul, Tony, Tracey

Welcome and call to order (Heather)

Motion to accept the February 2025 meeting minutes by Dana, seconded by Tracey, all in favour, and the motion passes.

Treasurer's report (Dana) • Updating the financials has been a large undertaking by Dana and Heather. • There is currently about \$40,000 in the account available to spend. • Dana motions the parent donation of \$459.28 through the Friends of Scarlett go towards the student assistance fund, Leah seconds, all in favour, and the motion passes. • Expenses still to come are Winds From The South and school awards.

Director's Report (Paul) • Jazz concert went very well. • Bands all went to festival. Most ensembles scored excellent. Symphonic band was awarded superior and also received the top brass section of the festival. • Choir did an event last week at Central Memorial. • Winds From The South is all set. A few more volunteers are required for crowd supervision. Please send Paul an email. • In the past, EPS MPA has covered the cost of small snacks for all band directors after the concert. • Heather motions up to \$200 to allocate for band director snacks, Jennifer seconds, all in favour, and the motion passes. • We need to hire a "backstage manager" to help things run smoothly at Winds From the South. An honorarium of \$150 would be required. • Heather motions up to \$150 for a "backstage manager" honorarium, Jennifer seconds, all in favour, and the motion passes. • Leah has previous students that she can suggest as potential backstage managers.

Moonlight Knights (Faye and Tracy) • There is a meeting tonight.

Volunteer Coordinator (Faye) • Volunteers are all set for Winds From The South • Faye is going to Whistler as a volunteer.

Uniform Coordinator (Leah) • An update will come next time. • Paul mentions that more tuxedos than skirts are being requested in recent times. Also, Moores and Tip Top might get us a deal if we buy in bulk.

Website (Heather) • It is not very user friendly and requires a lot of manual work. • There is a cost of about \$500 a year to use Word Press. • Leah might have some new recommendations.

Fundraising • Flames (Tracey) – Next orientation is likely in March. • The Ice Melt fundraiser (Dana and Jeroen) was somewhat successful. Jeroen suggests to start much earlier in the year (October) and then have pick up dates as orders come in. It was not much work and so it is suggested to try again next year.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

The next EPS MPA meeting will be in April.