Rocky Mountain Percussion Association

General Membership Meeting Minutes

Sunday, August 21, 2022

Opening

The regular meeting of the Rocky Mountain Percussion Association was called to order at 1:15pm on Sunday, August 21st, 2022 at Old Chicago Union and on Zoom by President, Lauren Maxwell.

Board Members Present

Lauren Maxwell, President
Scott Wilson, Vice President
Pete Lucero, Director of Education
Joe Hills, Director of Ensemble Relations

Membership in Attendance (20 ensembles represented)

Adam Whybrew, Pueblo Central High School

Andrew Salvador, Burlington High School

Brady Vander Ley, Columbine High School

Colin Constance, Bear Creek High School & Englewood High School

Colin Spear, Monarch Indoor Percussion

Connor Page, Evergreen High School

Crissy Duran, Standley Lake High School

Dan Burke, Loveland High School

Dave Marvin, Longmont High School

Garrett Aman, Ponderosa High School

Jake Euler, Rise Percussion

Justin Elks, Arvada High School

Kathy Marvin, Lakewood High School & Legacy High School

Keenan Evans, Blue Knights Percussion Ensemble

Lori Nonies, Centaurus Winter Percussion Ensemble

Matt Hauser, Fossil Ridge High School

Michael Williams, Loveland High School

Peter Hirschorn, Unaffiliated

Robert McCowan, Chaparral High School

Tanner Homa, Standley Lake High School

Ward Durrett, Unaffiliated

Additional Ensembles, represented by Board Members: Alameda International Jr/Sr High School

Membership Meeting Deck is provided HERE

30th Anniversary

Lauren and Joe shared details on the plans to celebrate RMPA's 30th Anniversary in 2023. Celebrating the current membership connections to the founding of RMPA and encouraging the future. Anyone with material that could be used or displayed as part of the celebration are encouraged to reach out to Joe.

Calendar of Events

November 5th - Day of Percussion

Feb 18th - Regular Season Show #1

March 4th - Regular Season Show #2

March 11th - WGI Regional

March 18th - Regular Season Show #3*

March 25th - Regular Season Show #4

April 1st - RMPA State Prelims

April 15th - RMPA State Finals

April 20th-22nd WGI Percussion World Championships

*Virtual event available

RMPA-Con

\$10 entry fee, includes lunch. Still finalizing location and clinicians. Sessions are based on 2022 Judge feedback for topics that would benefit the circuit as a whole.

Virtual Events

Virtual will be offered for Show #3 (March 18th). Included in the All-Access membership and \$75 for Limited members. Virtual events are targeted to help grow RMPA outside of the front range.

Registration

- Unlimited Membership
 - \$1,000.00 Unlimited access to all in person and virtual event
 - \$800.00 Second ensemble from within the same organization
- RMPA Limited Membership
 - o \$150.00 Base Fee
 - \$200.00/per regular season show, \$75 for Virtual show #3
 - State Championships (Prelims and Finals) \$400.00, must attend prelims to compete in finals
- Registration
 - Opens November 28th Closes December 16th
 - ONLY accepting credit card payments
- Badges
 - o 1 Director Badge (2 for Groups who attend this meeting)
 - o 6 additional staff wristbands
 - o 4 pit passes included in registration fee, may purchase up to 8 additional pit passes for \$10 each.
- Show Hosts
 - Applications Open in October
 - Applications due 11/7
 - o Review week of 11/14
 - Locations announced with Registration opening on 11/28

WGI Regional

The group discussed logistics and benefits of competing in the WGI Regional. With the RMPA rebate, cost comes out to \$245. Regional A IS offered for WGI Regionals!

State Championships

Prelims 4/8, location TBD. Finals 4/15, Auraria Events Center. Season registration close has been moved up to address any changes needed to Championships format—37 groups pushed the capacity limits at Auraria. Members will once again be required to provide 2 volunteers for Finals (Friday Set-Up, Saturday Show and Tear Down)

Budget Update

Proposed budget information is provided here: Proposed Budget

The Budget passed 19-1

Proposal and By-Law Revisions

Proposals were presented, and time was provided for questions and discussion as necessary. Full text: 2023 Proposals

Proposal #1 (Motion to discuss: Justin Elks, Second: Colin Spear, Passed 19-1)

Expansion of Regional A Class

Discussion Notes:

- Clarified that at this time, this proposal applies to Marching A/Regional A only
- Board will take into consideration promotions and % of finalists that may adversely affect ensembles
- There was discussion of how this proposal may affect fledgling groups

<u>Proposal #2 (Motion to discuss: Brady Vender Ley, Second: Jake Euler, Withdrawn following discussion by Peter Hirschorn)</u>
RMPA Sanctioned Clinicians

Discussion Notes:

- The RMPA Board supports the spirit of the proposal and expansion of clinicians within RMPA member ensembles, but does not have the bandwidth to support the proposal as written
- The Board will provide a listing of interested and available clinicians (pending Legal ramifications)
- The Board will consider additional resources specifically targeted at new instructors with basics
- The Board will consider options to offer expanded Clinic options beyond critique, RMPA-Con, local "Evals" shows

Board Vacancy

The Board has an immediate Director Opening, ideally someone who would be interested in filling the Secretary role. Interested parties should reach out to a Board Member.

The meeting was called to a close at 2:35pm

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by: Scott Wilson on August 22nd, 2022 Approved by Board of Directors: (Motion:, Second:, objections) on