



## **Reagan Orchestra Booster Club Pre-UIL Concert General Meeting Minutes Approved February 25<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

Prior to the February 25<sup>th</sup> concert, Nathan Shapiro, ROBC President, introduced himself, welcomed everyone to the ROBC General Meeting, and began with confirming the ROBC Mission as well as introducing all Board Members and Chair Positions.

Nathan provided an update regarding the current ROBC financial position to include current 2/20/20 cash balance of \$31,390, 2019-2021 donations to date of \$12,000, \$21,500 expenses related to orchestra trips, \$16,000 expenses on Orchestra “wish list” items, and the budget to carry over \$10,000 into the 2020-2021 school year, primarily for summer camp and the orchestra council retreat. Nathan also confirmed fundraising for 2019-2020 school year was just over \$15,000 with top sources being Snapraise, spirit nights, and bundt cake sales. He gave everyone an overview of the orchestra “wish list” items that were purchased this year as well. These purchases were bass endpin wheels (\$300), Mac desktop computer (\$1,500), harp strings/tuning key holders (\$2,500), high density storage shelves (\$10,000), and closet rails for the men’s uniform storage (\$1,500). He noted that the board decided to move one “wish list” item, furniture for converted library (\$2,000), to the next school year. Lastly, he informed everyone that the board also established an Orchestra Scholarship Program this year and set aside \$2,000 (\$1,000 for top student, with \$500 each to be received by 2 additional students). Dana Comstock was voted in as Scholarship Chair and the process will be announced in April with winners being announced at the Year End Banquet. He provided the following list of upcoming events to ensure everyone is aware of these orchestra activities.

- March 2, 3 & 4 - UIL Concerts (Alamo Heights)
- March 16th - ROBC Board Meeting
- April 6th - ROBC Board Meeting
- May 4th - ROBC Board Meeting
- May 8th - Year End Banquet
- May 11th - Spring Concert, Dinner and Silent Auction
- May 19th - YOSA Invitational (Sinfonia) Tobin Performing Arts

Tara Ford, ROBC Publicity, provided everyone with the various ways they can follow Reagan Orchestra activities. She specifically noted the Charms emails she sends out regarding the Monthly Newsletter, Spirit Nights, and activity announcements. She confirmed the ROBC website address of [reaganorchestra.weebly.com](http://reaganorchestra.weebly.com) is a quick way to find information and forms. The @ReaganOrchestra facebook page is another valuable site for orchestra news. She also noted publicity for the Reagan Orchestra is promoted through Welcome Home and Stone Oak POA community newspapers as well as NEISD Social Media, Reagan Social Media, email and the Reagan website. For high profile Reagan Orchestra events, she also engages local media.

Nathan Shapiro, ROBC President, closed the meeting with asking for volunteers to support the following upcoming events. He stressed the need for more help and volunteers.

- March 2, 3 & 4 - chaperones for UIL competitions
- May 8th - help needed for setup and cleanup of banquet
- April - May - Various help needed for silent auction and May 11<sup>th</sup> dinner
- Volunteer to fill Vice-President vacancy for 2020-2021 school year

He also confirmed his contact information at [ROBCPresident@gmail.com](mailto:ROBCPresident@gmail.com) and 210-278-8286 if you are interested in volunteering or have any questions.

The Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> concert began with performances by 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> period orchestras (Camerata and Philharmonia), followed by 5<sup>th</sup> period (Sinfonietta), and finally by 2<sup>nd</sup> period (Sinfonia).

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The Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup> concert began with performances by 6<sup>th</sup> period orchestra (Bravura) followed by 1<sup>st</sup> period (Chamber), and finally by the full Ronald Reagan Symphony Orchestra.

**Next General Meeting:** Next General Meeting will be on May 11, 2020 at 6:30 pm

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Jo Ella Terhesh**  
**ROBC Secretary**