

Mid-York Color Guard Circuit
General Membership Meeting
Shenendehowa HS, Clifton Park, NY
March 2, 2014

Minutes:

- I. Call to order – The meeting was called to order at 1:05PM by M-YCGC President, Ken Dining.
- II. President’s report – Mr. Dining thanked Scott Snell and the Shen school district for hosting today’s meeting. Mr. Dining reported he has been working tirelessly to stay on top of and help solve issues with the Circuit’s rollout of Competition Suit (CS). The M-YCGC is the first local circuit to utilize CS end to end, including judges commentary and scoring. Ken has been working closely with CS officials with additional support for WGI, as well as the NECGC and NYFCJ. The most frequent issues seem to be commentary related, some errors being computer/wireless/server issues and some human error. Mr. Dining thank the circuit directors and staff for their updates and most of all patience. He reported many judges are open to phone call contact when a unit’s commentary does not come through. Please contact Ken if you feel you need to contact a judge directly.
- III. Vice President’s report – M-YCGC Vice President Scott Snell thanked M-Y show host for their diligent communication with issues and changes to their shows. Mr. Snell is appreciative of the cooperation when he has to request changes to a show line-up or timing.
- IV. Secretary/Treasurer report – M-YCGC Secretary/Treasurer James Morton reported a checking account balance of \$7,954.07. Officer stipends and some championship show expenses are still to be paid before the end of the 2013/2014 season. Mr. Morton announced the due to unforeseen circumstances, he was not able to attend the November M-YCGC meeting in Rochester and no one at the meeting took notes or minutes.
- V. Old Business:
 1. 2014 Championship show – Scott Snell announced a complete Championship Show Packet will be emailed to all unit director’s whose unit’s are attending Championships on Tuesday, March 04, 2014, including results of today’s performance order draw and the full performance schedule. Lifetouch Photo will be the show photographer and Alliance Media will be the show videographer. Audio services will be provided by Bob English. Scott announced he has VERY limited rehearsal time or space available. That will be scheduled on a first come, first served basis. He suggested contacting other local M-Y members to see if they had any availability.
 2. Hall of Fame – Mr. Dining solicited nominations and or suggestions from the members present for the 2014 Class of the M-YCGC Hall of Fame. There were many worth suggestions and he asked that members download the HOF nomination form on mycgc.org and send them to him ASAP.
 3. Season Promotions – The Executive committee has been monitoring weekly scores in regards to promotion/demotion indicators outlined in the Circuit Manual. The Laurens Jaguars (SA3 to SA2) and Homer Sr. (SRA to SA3) self promoted their units earlier in the season. The Laurens Jaguars and APW were reviewed for closely achieving promotion scores, but were kept at their current performing class through the 2014 Championship show.
 4. Other – none
- VI. New Business:
 1. New voting members – Mr. Dining introduced to four new voting members to the M-YCGC including: Albany Novice, Mohonasen/Draper Novice, Oswego Novice and The Black Knights from Rome free Academy.
 2. 2015 competition schedule – Mr. Dining anticipates a similar schedule to this season, but said it was a bit too early to know anything specific. Mr. Snell will update the membership later in the Spring.

3. Morse Award nominations – Mr. Dining asked all unit directors to submit their choice for the 2014 Morse Award. He added there are many units who qualify based on their performance growth throughout the season. Mr. Morton will email the nomination form to all directors with a submission deadline later this week.

4. Executive Board nominations/voting:

S. Snell (2nd G. Flock) nominated Mike Tierney (Oswego) to a 2 year Board Seat. Tierney accepted

K. Dining (2nd S. Snell) nominated Gibs Flock (ES-M) to a 2 year Board seat. Flock accepted

No other nominations were offered. Snell (2nd A. Graziano) made a motion for the Secretary to cast one unanimous vote for the two nominees. The vote was cast. Tierney and Flock will serve as M-YCGC Executive Board Members from 5/1/2104 through 5/1/2016.

J. Hilbert (2nd G. Flock) nominated Ken Dining for President. Dining accepted.

No other nominations were offered. Snell (2nd G. Flock) made a motion for the Secretary to cast one unanimous vote for the two nominees. The vote was cast. Dining will serve as M-YCGC President from 5/1/2104 through 5/1/2016.

S. Snell (2nd R. Councilman) nominated James Morton for Secretary Treasurer. Morton accepted

No other nominations were offered. K. Dining (2nd S. Snell) made a motion for the Secretary to cast one unanimous vote for the two nominees. The vote was cast. Morton will serve as M-YCGC Secretary/Treasurer from 5/1/2104 through 5/1/2016.

5. Other – Mr. Dining reminded the membership that 2015 is the 50th Anniversary of the M-YCGC. The Executive Board was discussing some special events to coincide with the 50th Anniversary Championship Show including a dinner dance the night before, collecting memorabilia (pictures, videos, costumes, equipment) for displays, etc. Mr. Morton announced the M-YCGC will hold a contest to create an official M-YCGC logo (something our circuit do not have) that will be unveiled for the 50th anniversary season. More information will soon follow. Please contact Ken Dining with and ideas!

VII. Championship Show performance order draw:

Novice:	Black Knights Draper Middle School	SA-3:	Homer West Canada Valley Northstars
ERA:	Homer Laurens PJs Mirror Image Shenendehowa Baldwinsville		East Syracuse-Minoa Westmoreland Varsity Albany A-P-W
Cadet:	Albany Amethyst Shenendehowa Pine Grove	SA-2:	Mohonasen New Hartford Varsity Laurens Jaguars Jordan-Elbridge Union-Endicott Orange
SRA:	Baldwinsville Union-Endicott Black Central Square JV Mexico Phoenix Jr. Albany Sherburne-Earlville Vestal	SA-1	Phoenix Sr. Liverpool Oswego Amethyst Gold Shenendehowa
		IA:	Northstars JV Central square Varsity Shenendehowa

IRA: Eclipse
Tapestry
Westmoreland JV
Reflections
Cortland
New Hartford JV

SO: Northstars Varsity

VIII. Other – none

IX. Announcements: The next regular membership meeting of the M-YCGC will be held on 9/28/2014 in a Syracuse location. Future meeting dates include 11/16/14 (East location) and 3/1/15 (Championship show site)

X. Closing – D. Jones (2nd C. Ganey) made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:20PM.

Respectfully submitted,
James Morton, Secretary
Mid-York Color Guard Circuit