

Meeting 2/26/2020

All leadership staff were present for the meeting :)

Concerning additional members that join in already “full” sections, the consensus was to:

- 1) Have the music director and section leader along with the member sit down to decide parts, giving first priority for unique parts for that instrument to the members with more longevity. Investigate any other instruments they may play as secondary for unique parts or possibility of joining the choir as an option.
- 2) The music director speaks to the repertoire committee about ensuring we get parts created / transposed when / if necessary to this end.
- 3) Solo or feature opportunities within the section are given with first preference to members that have the most longevity.

We have a tech rehearsal that will be scheduled for the last rehearsal in March, with another possibly in April prior to the dress rehearsal. These will be to ensure we have working audio equipment. Carrie will check in with her family about a possible PA system that could be able to be used.

We need to think about what dates we would like Geoff Knorr to come to rehearsal to check out Civ VI.

The purchase of choir risers will be happening soon, with Tad, Tara and Kira collaborating on what and where to purchase them from. We will be getting one section to start out with to try and be able to expand as needed down the line.

Tara will be putting out a survey for types of fundraising that the orchestra might want to do to raise funds. As well, there was discussion of donating gaming related gift baskets or gift cards by members for a small raffle at the Spring concert. A bake sale was discussed as well, with any home baked goods requiring a complete ingredient list provided so that people are informed in case of allergies. We are hoping that Kayla and Melanie will help run this.

Kira mentioned that the Essex library has asked us if we wanted to do an instrument petting zoo there over the summer. She will respond favorably and let them know that we do accept a free-will donation, as other organizations have done this in the past. Leadership agreed this could be a good opportunity.