

Minutes
MSBOA District IX
Monday, September 15, 2008
Iva's Chicken Dinner in Sterling
5:00 p.m.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by President, Cathy Kintner.

Introductions were made. Members present: Joan Dillard, Tina Donze, Ed Falls, Kim Gordon, John Hawkins, Joe Hellberg, Cathy Kintner, Karen Lopez, Bonnie Moore, Jennifer Prince, Ray Reynolds, Paul Shimmons, Sandi Slesinski, Melissa Wakely-Sapienza, Mike Yaros.

Secretary's Report – Tina Donze

Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed.

Ed Falls moved to accept the report. Joe Hellberg seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Ed Falls

An extensive report was distributed and reviewed by the membership.

Current Assets are \$3033.10.

Tina Donze moved to accept the report. John Hawkins seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Solo and Ensemble Report – Jennifer Prince

Deadline for MS Solo and Ensemble registration is October 6 (post marked).

All band directors should make a point to check to see if students are scheduled to be adjudicated by their private instructor. If they are, please notify Jennifer as soon as possible so that schedules can be altered. It is not ideal for this to take place on site.

Ed Falls moved to accept the report. Ray Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Adjudicator Report – Melissa Wakely-Sapienza

All adjudicators have been hired at this time with the exception of one section in HS Solo and Ensemble (flute). A list of hired adjudicators was distributed to the membership.

Jennifer Prince moved to accept the report. Mike Yaros seconded the motion. The motion passed.

President's Report – Cathy Kintner

Cathy is confident that we can all work together to provide the best opportunities for our students. Everything that we do is for the good of our kids.

Medals Report – Karen Lopez

Karen and Jennifer Prince are both in possession of some Solo and Ensemble medals.

Arrangements will be made to get these either to Clare for MS Solo and Ensemble or to the next chair of this committee.

All-Star Band Report – Kim Gordon

A reminder that Junior All-Star Band is comprised of students in grades 7 – 9 and Senior All-Star Band is comprised of students in grades 10 – 12.

Alan Jacobus will direct the Junior All-Star Band and Jeff Bennett will direct the Senior All-Star Band. Both would appreciate suggestions of music or at least suggestions of appropriate grade levels of music.

Audition music will be on line on September 16, 2008.

The listening session will take place on November 19, 2008 at Kim's parent's home in Au Gres. All-Star Band was scheduled to take place at Standish-Sterling High School this year, however, Eric Joslin is no longer teaching there. Kim will contact Megan Miller who was recently hired as the band director to find out whether or not she is willing to host this event.

Emeritus Report – Jennifer Prince

No report.

FIC Report – Cathy Kintner

Cathy found the dissection of yearbook exasperating. There are many holes in the rules. The committee asked Paul Stanifer to have a lawyer look at it and make recommendations. We need a better set of rules, with consequences in place.

John Hawkins was supposed to have attended the meeting, but had car trouble.

Music Ed – Cathy Kintner

The audition site is all set for November.

Elementary Music – Ted Clous

Ted was absent from the meeting.

Handbook/Host Guidelines – Ed Falls

Ed met with Eric Joslin in July and got some work done on this handbook. He will try to have the B/O handbook by the All-Star Listening Session.

Music Technology – T. Paul Shimmons

All-Star Band audition music will be online on September 16, 2008.

Ed suggested that one or two of the audition pieces should be tweaked. Perhaps All-Star Band weekend would be a good time to look at these.

All State – Kim Gordon

Auditions will be held at Au Gres-Sims High School on November 1 – 2, 2008. Register students on line by October 1, 2008. Double check the audition music that your students are using, as changes have been made.

Old Business

All-Star audition music will be evaluated during All-Star weekend.

Host Guidelines and Officer Job Descriptions are almost done.

08-09 Dates and Sites were printed on the back of the agenda. Please remember to add October 1 as the deadline to register students for All State.

Ed Falls recommended that the district purchase recording equipment totaling \$1499.81. This would replace an outside recording company (recently Ken Milks) and would be a work assignment for someone at each Festival site. He recommends training several band directors during All-Star weekend so that lots of directors will feel comfortable using the equipment. This is an effort to keep festival costs down.

A motion was made by Bonnie Moore to wrap up the discussion and make a decision. Ray Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Tina Donze moved that Ed purchase (1) Marantz CDR310, (1) Rhode NT4 Cardioid Condenser XY Microphone, (2) Monster Cable S100M30 30' standard mic cable and (1) Shure S15A Microphone Stand for the district totaling \$1499.81. Jennifer seconded the motion. The motion passed.

New Business

A new Vice President of Band and Orchestra Festival is needed as John Hawkins has completed his two year term. Responsibilities include: setting up the website, creating labels for adjudication sheets, ordering sight-reading music, scheduling the Festivals and scheduling worker. Cathy Kintner nominated Tina Donze. Ray Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion passed.

President Cathy Kintner appointed Mike Yaros as Director Emeritus committee chair and Sandi Slesinski as Medals committee chair.

Kim Gordon will send all members information about All State.

Ed Falls has sight-reading music for sale 1/2 price.

Several Solo and Ensemble issues were discussed and resolved.

Band and Orchestra Festival registration needs to be set up online.

Solo and Ensemble registration should be available online.

Fees stayed the same.

Cathy Kinter recommended exploring the links on the MSBOA website for useful information.

Adjournment

Ed Falls moved to adjourn the meeting. Joe Hellberg seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen R. Lopez, Secretary
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