

MSBOA District IX
September 9, 2014
Oscoda, MI
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Call to Order: Ed Falls called the meeting to order at 5:25 pm

Present: Ray Reynolds, Cathy Kintner, Kim Gordon, Ed Falls, Karen Lopez, Bryan Akers, Paul Shimmons, Seth Kilbourn, Natalie Smith, Seanne Danielak, Ken Henning, Jeannie Henning.

Secretary's Report: Report distributed to the general meeting. Moved to accept: Kintner, Seconded: Lopez.

Treasurer's Report: Cathy Kintner. Balance is \$6,281.32 in account. Report was sent out to the Membership. Karen motioned, Natalie accepted. Kim brought up the fact that we agreed on paying \$400 from last year according to the contract.

B & O Report: Kim Gordon. Nothing to report at this time.

S & E Report: Natalie Smith. Nothing to report at this time. Kim motioned, Ed seconded.

Adjudicator Report: Ashley Ford absent. Ed brought up a concern from Nicki Bruski. Contracts were just received for all Band Festivals. Ray said he'd follow up on this. Natalie also mentioned that she'd need to contact Ashley to get the judge contact information for S & E.

President's Report: Ray Reynolds. Report distributed to the general membership. Reminder on dates: Registration due the 22nd. B & O Adjudicator workshop coming up in December. Karen moved to accept, Natalie seconded.

All Star Report: Kim Gordon. Rachel Lynns Meyer is Junior All Star Band Director and Cydi Swan-Eagen is the Senior All Star Band Director. All Star Band will be held in Alpena and the All Star Music is posted on the District Website. Guidelines are on there as well for the recordings. Paul suggested updating the recording guidelines on the website. Listening session is a Tuesday rather than Monday to give us time to get the recordings after Christmas break.

Ray really encouraged the District to promote All Star Band to your students so the All Star Band can grow compared to our current trend of getting smaller each year.

Sanctuary Inn and Days Inn are the suggested hotels in Alpena. Sanctuary Inn is the hotel with the pool.

Emeritus Report: Cathy Kintner. As of right now we have no members for Emeritus but Cathy was wondering if Sandy Ahlers was qualified for Emeritus Nominations. Joan Dillard did not qualify for the Emeritus Membership. Cathy presented at Joan's concert on behalf of MSBOA and Joan was very grateful for the presentation.

FIC Report: Ed Falls. Detailed report presented to the general membership. There was a concern brought up at FIC that the number of accompanists is causing S & E Festivals to run late. There was not enough information so this year the committee will propose gathering information at the State S & E Festival regarding accompanists.

The other issue that was discussed was that the last year in one of the districts an incorrect rating was posted and because of the rule a student did not receive a I Rating. The rule that eventually passed was that there will be a line on the adjudication sheet that the Headquarters workers have verified the ratings before being released to the directors.

The other discussion was regarding the number of players on a part in Wind Ensembles. An agreeable solution was not reached so it was tabled for further discussion.

Another discussion was regarding the requirements for Percussion Proficiency work to be made more clear.

A new yearbook/rulebook to come out for the 2016-2017 school year.

Respectfully submitted by Ed Falls.

Music Ed Report: Ray Reynolds. This committee chair is now open. Dave Jensen is now the head of this committee. This committee discussed mentoring teachers, and posting festival info on the website for parents. Paul Lichau has created a document called “Festival for Dummies” that may be of help. There may be some deficiencies for newer teachers in the sight reading process. Cyndie Swan-Eagen may do a sight reading presentation at MMC. There has also been possible talk and discussion of ideas in regards to helping directors maintain their health.

September 14th is the 200th anniversary of the SSB.

Director Development Days Nov. 14th and 15th. Dearborn, MI. All Band and Orchestra information and performances. In-service credit from Wayne State University.

There is a group of directors putting together a tutorial for the MSBOA website.

There is also a forum located on the MSBOA website under the Members Only section.

There are a lot of ideas for creating value for members to be apart of the MSBOA.

Seth has volunteered for the Music Ed. Committee.

Technology: Paul Shimmons. Check the section of your website to make sure it is up to date. Thanks to Karen for the updated Michigan Music Conference. For the Technology Day on Thursday, we are looking for presiders to help out with the presentations.

Old Business:

All Star Band Music: Karen has finished this so we are set.

New Business:

Ed Falls: Cyndie Eagen is looking at doing a committee to expand the All State Band. Discussion that they may look at doing a small school All State Band. Looking for possible volunteers. Any concerns that we may need to take the FIC Committee, please let Ed know.

We'll need dates for the January meeting to start preparing for reserving dates for next year. Ray will

have this prepared to confirm for his January Meeting.

If anything is needed for the meeting agenda in January, email Ray.

Possible talk of commissioning a piece as a district. Seth suggested Scott Harding.

The general meeting closed at 7:13 pm. Cathy motioned, Karen seconded.