

District IX
Fall Meeting Minutes
September 2018

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm at Tait's of Oscoda. The secretary report from the spring meeting was read and accepted by Karen, second by Cathy.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted by Karen, second by Eric. The district is in good standing with a balance of \$7708.96.

VP of adjudicators stated all judges are hired. Report accepted by Cathy, second by Ed.

The district is all set for B/O festival to occur in Oscoda. We will start at noon on Friday and go as late as needed on Saturday. Registration will be open soon. Report accepted by Ed, second by Matt.

Solo/Ensemble report states that the medal inventory is 200 blue and 180 red. We have enough for JH but will need more for HS. When you send in S/E registration please put it in Matt's name to be sure it gets to him.

Jason is excited to be serving as President of District 9. He supports newcomers and wants to get in their schools to see how things are going. Call Jason with deadline issues, before the deadline date. Jason reminds all that the State general membership meeting is Nov. 3rd. Report accepted by Karen, second by Phil.

All-Star Band will be in Alpena on Jan 18th and 19th. The listening session is Jan 3rd in Au Gres. Music will be on the website soon.

All-State deadline is Oct 1st. Recording for All-State will take place in Au Gres Oct. 27th and 28th.

Festival Improvements-

1. Amend site chair responsibilities for festival
2. Open classification- you can pick whatever classification you feel you are able-working on language to present at spring meeting for a vote
3. Pilot program using open classification in District 12

4. UIL sight reading- up to district whether going with district provided or Texas UIL system (with UIL notes available online in shared folder, wouldn't be as many surprises, length appropriate, know criteria up front, can purchase previous years music on JW Pepper)

Music education worked on developing communications. They looked at redesigning the website and resources for music education. Look for surveys and please fill out so they can gather information. The newsletters were also cleaned up to look more concise and with larger text.

Charles from the State Office reminded us of the following dates and items:

Sept 20- MSBOA deadline-credit cards are accepted this year
Oct. 1- All-State Auditions, B/O workshop

UP director days-free registration

The yearbook and membership book are digital this year.

Please read pages 57-59 of the yearbook on Band Festival carefully.

If you have any questions about State festivals send an email to the VP of the event.

Old Business-

We discussed having a clinic with our students to change festival:

-performance stays the same

-to be eligible for state you must do sight-reading

-if you choose to do the clinic you perform your selected number in sight reading and receive a clinic instead-you are not eligible to do State festival if you choose this option

*tabled due to all the changes at the State level

Marching band showcase information will be sent out by Jason. Booster hosts will be provided for each group. Admission fee for non-participants will be \$3.

There are concerns about using Medalcraft for our medals. Jason will check into Bale Co. and others. Ed moves that Jason has approval to switch companies if we find a better option. Karen seconds.

Sight reading options are the following:

Level 1- MS CD

Level 2- MS AB

Level 3- HS CD

Level 4 HS AB

Ed moves we accept UIL for sight reading, Karen seconds.

Next meeting in January in Au Gres.

Meeting adjourns at 8:00 pm