MSBOA District 9 - Spring Meeting

Wednesday, 04.27.2022

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Agenda/Minutes

Members present: Eric Vinciguerra, Brandon Jerashen, Karen Lopez, Mark Andersen, Paul Shimmons, Karen Lopez, Brad Beyer, Kim Gordon, Shane Billingsley, Jason Lowe, Megan Wolfgang, Emma Pendergrasse, Melissa Sapienza,

Virtual: Cathy Kintner

Meeting called to order @ 6:17pm

Welcome - Acknowledgment of Guests

- **Teaching Interns: None :-(**

Executive Reports

- **Secretary - Eric Vinciguerra**

  Motion to accept minutes by Kintner, 2nd by Billingsley.
  Aye - all, Ney - none. Motion passes.

- **Treasurer - Emma Pendergrass**
  Motion to accept report by Lopez, 2nd by Wolfgang.

  B&O medal invoices were shared at this meeting.

  Aye - all, Ney - none. Motion passes.

- **Vice President of Adjudication - Megan Wolfgang**
  May 1st invitations to adjudication. Topic to be discussed later.
  Motion to accept report by Lopez, 2nd by Andersen.
  Aye - all, Ney - none. Motion passes.

- **Vice President of Band & Orchestra Festival- Karen Lopez**
  Thanks to Wolfgang for being a wonderful host.
  Motion to accept report by Wolfgang, 2nd by Beyer.
  Aye - all, Ney - none. Motion passes.
  Early schedules are a PLUS +++! !!!

- **Vice President of Solo & Ensemble Festival - Brandon Jerashen**

  Medal situation resolved. About 200 in stock now. Ordering bit figured out.

Motion to accept by Lopez, 2nd by Shimmons.
Aye - all, Ney - none. Motion passes.

- **President - Jason Lowe**
  Report attached.
  Discussion of Dist. 9 retirees as adjudicators in Dist. 9 and conduct of adjudicators during the festival.
  Possible Band Festival Format Change Link. Fill it out!
  Spring General Meeting is June 2. Attend if possible.
  Add performances to "Dist 9 Performances". It's fun to hear each other!
  Move to accept report by Lopez, 2nd by Billingsley.
  Aye - all, Ney - none. Motion passes

Committee Reports

All-Star Band - Kim Gordon
Recommendations for Directors needed. Send to Gordan
Alternating year thought?
Selection S&E 1st division solo ratings and/or nominations

All-State Band - Kim Gordon
Move to one day?

Emeritus - Cathy Kintner
None to report

Festival Improvements - Shane Billingsley
Festival participation - 6th/7th groups can have 6th grade performance
Solo and ensemble terms
Mixed Chamber ensemble (9+ member plus): not to add a "Mixed Chamber" not being available for registration
MSBOA show min. Set 6 mins.

Music Education - Brandon Jerashen
LInks fixed on website
Do you get the newsletter?
New documents for good use (ie Director Transitions)

Old Business

S&E Ratings automatic invitation to AllStar
- not the best idea....

State Survey on B&O Festival

Review Calendar of events 22-23

Options for S&E - moving MS S&E to Spring?
- testing and spring break conflicts?
- two dates: winter and spring
- 9am start

Motion made by Lopez to Move MIddle School S&E Festival to April 22, 2023. 2nd by Baker.

- **Aye - all, Nay - none. Motion passes.**

Weekday Band Festival(s): Tues, Wed, Thurs.

Alcona to host B&O 2023

Festival Plaque and Medal purveyors - within district footprint

Melissa - Thank you for coordinating with S&H Engraving in Gladwin

Eliminate distributor for medals; deal direct with factory in Green Bay

New Business

New Positions/Job Opportunities

Impacting Festival locations?
- We will be flexible

District discussion on B&O this year

StateSurvey (https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSenLRp3gyR3RS68g4usfOxxCt8mKyhovd4NVy1dPDKh8TmVkw/viewform

Officer Slate for 2022-23
- Share the positions: rotations
- Secretary, B&O, Adj should rotate this year; next year Pres, S&E, Treasurer

Nominations for Secretary - Andersen 2023/24; B&O - Wolfgang for 2023/24; Adj - Beyer 2023/24
Motion by Baker to close nominations and cast unanimous ballet, 2nd by Lopez.
Aye - all, Nay - none. Motion passes.

Teacher of the Year 22-23

Nominations: **Lowe (7)** Jerashen (5)

Announcements

Fall District Meeting - Monday, September 12 - Oscoda - Tait's Bill of Fare

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Shimmons, 2nd by Baker.

- **Aye - all, Nay - none. Motion passes.**

Secretary's Report: Winter Meeting Agenda/Minutes

Members present:

Jason Lowe, Brandon Jerashen, Karen Lopez, Eric Vinciguerra, Emma Pendergrasse, Kim Gordon, Shane Billingsley, Rachel Mills, Mark Andersen, Brad Beyer, Melissa Sapienza, Cathy Kintner, Guest - Matt Hartson

Meeting called to order @ 1:04 pm

Welcome - Acknowledgment of Guests

- **Teaching Interns: Matt Hartson (Clare)**

Executive Reports

- **Secretary - Eric Vincguerra**
  Motion to accept the Fall minutes made by Kinter, seconded by Billingsley.
  Aye - all, Nay - none. Motion passes.

- **Treasurer - Emma Pendergrass**
  Presented report: JH S&E made income, commission fee is expense.
  Motion to accept report by Lopez, second by Beyer.
  Aye - all, Nay none. Motion passes.

- **Vice President of Adjudication - Megan Wolfgang**
  Presented report by Lowe with Wolfgang absence:
  S&E adjudicators
  B&O: Need 2 more Discussion on Judge rotation as clinician.
  Motion to accept report by Lopez, second by Pendergrass .
  Aye - all, Nay none. Motion passes.

- **Vice President of Band & Orchestra Festival- Karen Lopez**
  Registrations are due Jan 21. Check # needed to receive a rating.
  Accommodations due to COVID discussed.
  Motion to accept report by Billingsley, second by Beyer .
  Aye - all, Nay none. Motion passes.

- **Vice President of Solo & Ensemble Festival - Brandon Jerashen**
  JH S&E Recap of ratings. Medals are ordered. Scheduling discussed: time requests and accompanists.
  SH S&E: 4 room expected. Scratches down up to the Wednesday before the event. No checks have been received. Members asked to retrieve check numbers from their offices.
  Motion to accept report by Lopez, second by Kintner .
  Aye - all, Nay none. Motion passes.

- **President - Jason Lowe**
  "No report" ;-) by
  Discussion on slated events dates in the future.

Combine JH and HS S&E? Switch All star and MS S&E? Schools look at the calendar for Spring/April MS S&E weekend.

Motion to accept report by Lopez, second by Beyer.
Aye - all, Nay none. Motion passes.

Committee Reports

All-Star Band - Kim Gordon
Double check roster for spelling.
Sectionals run by directors:

All-State Band - Kim Gordon

Emeritus - Cathy Kintner

Festival Improvements - Shane Billingsley
Meeting Jan. 8

Music Education - Brandon Jerashen
Meeting Jan. 8

Old Business

New Business

Festival Alterations in the Age of COVID-19 - No SR

Slate of Events for 2021-22, 2022-23 - Propose using similar dates moving forward

- Options for S&E
- Weekday Band Festival(s)

Emma Pendergrass (Alcona) to host B&O 2023

Officer Slate Changes

B&O Plaques - possible in Gladwin
Medals - Medal Craft mint in Green Bay, WI,

Festival Plaque and Medal purveyors - within district footprint

- Melissa investigating with Gladwin engraver
- Eliminate distributor for medals; deal direct with factory in Green Bay

Announcements

Winter State Meeting - Friday, January 28 @ 12 noon; Ambassador Ballroom, Amway Grand Hotel

Spring District Meeting - Monday, Apr 25, 2022 @ 6pm in West Branch

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Lopez, seconded by Beyer.

Adjourned at 2:25pm

Treasurer's Report: MSBOA District IX Financial Report

April 27th, 2022

Balance on hand: $8,959.95

Medals: $1,914.00 (Original order - need to collect B&O medal money)

Jr High Solo & Ensemble Income: $1,289.00
Expenses: $1,316.49

- $27.49

Adj	honorarium	Meals enroute	mileage	total
Mark VanHoose	$200	$15	$123.00	$338.00
Margaret VanHoose	$200	$15	$0.00	$215.00
Dale Huggard	$200	$15	$67.24	$282.24
Meals on site				$128.86
Lodging				$118.79
Piano tuning				$233.60
Total expenses				$1,316.49

Sr High Solo & Ensemble Income : $2,815.00
Expenses: ~$939.00

+~ $1,876.00

Adj	honorarium	Meals enroute	mileage	total
Michelle Kauffold	$200	$15	$45.00	$260.00
Matthew Shephard	$200	$15	$16.00	$231.00
Roger Stevens	$200	$15	$36.00	$251.00
Karen Lopez	$100	$15	$82.00	$197.00
Lodging				Jason
Meals				Clare Boosters
Total expenses				~$939.00

All star Band Income: $2,575.00
Expenses = ~$4,563.92

- ~$1,988.92

Guest conductor	Honorarium	Meals enroute	Mileage	Total
Mary Land	$400	$15	$246.00	$661.00
Matthew Shephard	$400	$15	$115.62	$530.62
Lodging				$109.89
Flight Reimbursement				$708.60
Food				Alpena Boosters (need to check with)
Band ribbons				$467.50
Kim Gordon				$86.31
Commission PT				$2,000.00
Total expenses				~$4,563.92

B & O Festival Income: $5,150.00
Expenses = $3,298.29

+ $1,851.71

Adj	Honorarium	Meals enroute	Mileage	Total
Ray Reynolds	$350	$30	$116.00	$496.00
Andrew Dunham	$350	$30	$140.00	$520.00
Alan Jacobus	$350	$30	$220.00	$600.00
John Hawkins	$350	$30	$54.00	$434.00
SR/Supplies				$54.11
Lodging				$829.98
Food				$364.20
Total expenses				$3,298.29

Respectfully Submitted- Emma Pendergrass

Vice President of Adjudication's Report:

Vice President of Band & Orchestra Festival's Report:

Vice President of Solo & Ensemble Festival's Report:

President's Report:

It certainly has been an interesting few months.

Thank you to Megan for hosting a very successful in-person Band Festival. I enjoyed hearing the few groups I could, given our structure and my transportation limitations. I'm proud of your students' musicianship and tenacity - fostered by each of you - as we emerge from our COVID-induced hibernation.

Over Spring Break, I had important conversations with Alan Jacobus and Matt Shephard regarding our band festival and some good discussions about our adjudication slate, importance of fidelity of adjudicator spaces, and the festival experience overall.... Which leads me to the following discussion...

I have been serving on the State Select Committee on Band & Orchestra Festival in the Age of COVID for two years. The survey that was sent to the membership is incredibly important for you to complete. There are nearly 340 responses from a pool of nearly 1000 of our colleagues. Please let your voice be heard. I have been able to peruse some responses thus far; all responses are anonymous (unless you sign your name in the optional comments). There are a lot of good answers, none of which is exactly right for any one program or colleague. Choosing the path forward for our entire organization is going to be interesting... and possibly the most consequential time in MSBOA's history. Lots of divisive language in the comments... and lots of supportive comments as well. There are some pretty angry colleagues out there about lessening standards and concerns for the integrity of the festival process... and some colleagues and programs who are damaged and looking to our organization for support and relief.

Please consider bringing your marching band to Clare on Tuesday, October 4 for the Pioneer Marching Showcase. We will be a training site for MSBOA Marching Band Adjudicators. This doesn't mean ratings will be posted, taken or even happen. We're training and adding to a shrinking pool of marching band adjudicators. If you are interested in participating in the training, please contact Greg Van Strien (gvanstrien@capsdk12.org).

Please take time to look over the Calendar of Events for 2022-23. We need to discuss keeping our Winter date for Middle School Solo & Ensemble or moving it to the Spring. Also, confirm sites of each festival: Clare is set to host MS this year regardless of date; Tawas for HS S&E?; Alcona for Band Festival?

I hope in the coming year we can resume sharing dates and times of our concerts. Those concerts I was able to attend, Shari and I thoroughly enjoyed and I find myself missing witnessing you in the act of music-making with your students. I hope you feel comfortable sharing dates on the Google Calendar for the coming year.

I've shared with many of you how I've felt this year has been harder than last. It's far easier to take events, items and responsibilities off our plates rather than put them back on. Combine that with a radically different work ethic from our students and families, you may feel unusually exhausted. The light at the end of the tunnel isn't an oncoming train; it's the sun that awaits us during summer to re energize and rejuvenate for the coming school year, when our students will need us at our best again.

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