



South Dakota Music Education Association

Unapproved Meeting Minutes

October 27th, 2018

Rushmore Plaza Civic Center, Rapid City, SD

7:00 AM

Board Members Present: Rogene Brown, Jaime Kessler, Kim Bruguier, Beth Neitzert, Paul Schilf, Colby Schuck, Wendy van Gent, Vicki Hyder, Kari Owens, Todd Carr, John Bakken, Angela Larson, Kim Bogart, Molly Stueckrath

Board Members Absent: Mike Bossman, Laura Schenk, Bethany Amundson, Spencer Wahl, Erin McFarland, Kristen Dunlap, Andrea Harstad, Kourtney Temple, Char Cade, Dave Sanderson

President Bruguier brought the meeting to order at 7:05 am.

State Music Conference 2018 - Discussion

Bruguier presented on the details of the 2018 State Music Conference.

Discussion was held on the struggles with equipment availability for the performing groups when the conference is held in Rapid City.

Bruguier stated that some conference participants were disappointed that there were not any reading sessions this year.

Schilf and van Gent discussed the possibility of offering a dinner for college students on the evening of collegiate day. This would better accommodate the session schedule.

Brown reminded the board that session monitors need to check for conference badges at the door. Bruguier suggested that SDMEA members who monitor sessions receive a discount on their conference registration fee. Schilf noted that we could investigate finding technology to scan conference attendees into each session.

Schuck mentioned that the noise of spot checks bleeds into the keynote speaker session when the conference is held in Rapid.

Schilf stated that the conference contracts are signed for Sioux Falls for the next two years. At the January meeting there needs to be a formal motion to secure contracts for the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center for 2021.

Schuck suggested that we improve on the atmosphere of the awards banquet to make it more of a celebration.

Bruguier is going to send out an email with all the upcoming board position openings, including the Conference Chair position. Brown is willing to train anyone interested in the Conference Chair position without taking a stipend for herself.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 am.

Next meeting: January 2018; Date/Time/Location: TBD

Submitted by Kessler, October 27th, 2018