



South Dakota Music Education Association

Unapproved General Membership Meeting Minutes

October 29th, 2016

Sioux Falls Convention Center, Sioux Falls, SD

11:00 AM

Board Members Present: Deb Rohrer, Rogene Brown, Mike Bossman, Colby Schuck, Jaime Kessler, Wendy van Gent, Kim Bruguier, Melissa Fikse, Kelsey Marker, Bethany Amundson, Paul Schilf, Laura Schenk, John Bakken, Barb Bowen

Board Members Absent: Chris Borchardt, Stephanie Wranek, Andrea Harstad, Jessica Perkins, Gina Mees, Emily Danger, Kari Owens, Char Cade, Boyd Perkins, Todd Carr

President Rohrer called the meeting to order at 11:03.

There were 25 members present.

Brown (Past- President) will be emailing out a google form to survey opinions, ideas, and concerns for the State Music Conference.

Van gent (Collegiate Chair) spoke on new music teacher partnerships. If you know a new music teacher who does not have a mentor or you would like to be a mentor, please contact Wendy van Gent. She is always looking for new mentors. More information is on the SDMEA website.

Schenk (Treasurer) gave information on All-State jazz band which is a new event this year. The event will be in Yankton the first week of February. Contact Laura Schenk for more information.

Schuck (Membership Chair) recommended that members add the NAFME app to their mobile devices.

Marker (Orchestra Chair) presented information on the Middle School All-State Orchestra event. All the material is on the SDMEA website. Questions regarding this event can go to Kelsey Marker. Marker is always looking for new information for the

newsletter. Submissions for the newsletter are due the 15th of every month. Send any newsletter submissions to Kelsey Marker.

Bowen (Awards Chair) encouraged membership to nominate fellow music educators for the distinguished service awards. These awards are presented to selected nominees each year.

Amundson (Tri-M Chair) gave information on starting up Tri-M chapters at individual school. Any member interested in doing this should contact Bethany Amundson.

Melisa Fikse (MS Vocal Chair) and Mike Bossman (Webmaster) were introduced.

President Rohrer encouraged members to provide feedback on any NAFME events or membership items.

Brugier (President-Elect) encouraged members to contact any board member if they are interested in taking on leadership positions. The SDMEA board is looking for a new Awards Chair and Bowen will train whoever takes the position on.

All contact information for the SDMEA Board of Directors can be found on sdmea.net

President Rohrer adjourned the meeting at 11:20 AM.

Submitted by Kessler, October 29th, 2016