



SDMEA unapproved Meeting Minutes, Saturday, May 21, 2016

Location: Brennen Rock and Roll Academy, Sioux Falls, SD
10:00 am

Board Members Present: Bethany Amundson, Chris Borchardt, Mike Bossman, Rogene Brown, Kim Bruguier, Char Cade, Todd Carr, Emily Danger, Kelsey Marker, Deb Rohrer, Laura Schenk, Paul Schilf, Colby Shuck, Mary Beth Sutton, Wendy van Gent, Stephanie Wranek, and Lisa Zahn.

Board Members absent: Barb Bowen, Melissa Fiske, Andrea Harstad, Gina Mees, Boyd Perkins, Jessica Perkins. Other guests present: John Bakken, Jaime Kessler and Kari Owens.

Additions to the agenda:

The order of the agenda was amended.

Kari Owens- Elementary Elect Chair and John Bakken Orchestra Elect Chair were introduced to the board.

Discussion was held regarding the payment for audition judges for the various events and making the payment amounts the same.

Motion by Schilf, second by Bruguier that the flat judges fee be increased to a minimum of \$100 for Middle School All State Jazz Band, Orchestra and Band with an additional \$1.00 per entry and \$2.00 for percussion entries. Discussion held. Van Gent called to question. Motion carried.

Motion by van Gent , second by Schilf that all chair positions use a generic contract for all adjudicators for the various events and this practice be added to the By-Laws. Discussion held. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the possibility of adding a paid conference chair position to the By-Laws by appointment or hired as a non- board member in a contracted paid position.

Motion by Schilf, second by Zahn that the board directs the current President –Elect to investigate the process and procedures from other States for an appointed conference chairperson board position based on research findings. Discussion held. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the paid Board of Director stipends. Paid SDMEA positions include- Treasurer \$2,000; State Executive Director \$2,200; Web Master \$1,800; Musician Editors \$1,200 x 2 for a total of \$2,400. Schilf and Schenk expressed the need for the process of the bookkeeping for the SD Musician Magazine be reviewed and the paperwork process followed concisely. Discussion was held asking the State Executive Director to perform an annual review of the paid positions. Bossman, Schenk and Schilf all expressed an increased workload over the past year.

Motion by Bruguier, second by van Gent that the stipends for the State Executive Director and Treasurer remain the same for this upcoming year and the Web Master stipend be increased from \$1,800 to \$2,000 with an annual review for all paid positions. Discussion was held. Motion carried.

Upon further discussion the board recommends that an annual review of the paid board positions be added to the By-Laws.

The State Executive Director explained that with his new role as Co-Owner of Poppler's Music it could be perceived as a "conflict of interest." In the past, Poppler's Music has been a financial supporter of the SD-SDMEA Organization. New and returning Board Members were asked to read and sign the form and submit to Executive Director Schilf. This is an annual review.

Secretary's Report- Sutton

Jaime Kessler was introduced as the incoming new SDMEA secretary effective July 1, 2016. Sutton was thanked for her eight years of service. Minor grammatical and changes were made to the January 2016 Meeting minutes. Fiske and Bogart's names were corrected.

Motion by Cade, second by Bossman to approve the meeting minutes as amended. Motion carried.

Middle School All State Band 2017 Report-Wranek

The location is in Huron. Dale Nelson and Mary Goheen will be the guest director's. The audition material is uploaded. The percussion audition was reduced from ten to seven elements as recommended by the percussion judge. Wranek mentioned that there were some software concerns and it needs to be reviewed and possibly changed in the future.

Treasurer's Report- Schenk

Schenk reviewed the report for each individual event. She highlighted the increased membership numbers. Schenk mentioned that there is a new account reviewing the SDMEA account. The organization was once again in the black for the fiscal year 2015-2016.

Motion by van Gent; second by Danger to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Schenk was tasked with looking into investment options from the January meeting. She explained that the "no risk" investments have a very, very low return with a time period of three months to five years. She is exploring what the options are as a "501-C3 Non-Profit Organization" without any legal ramifications. Discussion was held. Rohrer suggested the sponsorship money received by put into the "formation" of a foundation /investment account with an end goal to work towards. Cade volunteered to work with Schenk to research what the process would be to establish the formation of a foundation.

Executive Director's Report- Schilf

He reviewed the change of the National NAFME Executive Director. Poppler's will now sponsor the State Music Education Conference headliner and other aspects of the conference.

Meeting in recess for lunch. Meeting reconvened at 12:27 pm.

President Elect Report- Rohrer

Rohrer suggested the executive committee review the strategic plan and update information from the old web site. Membership is a pillar of the strategic plan and the member added benefits. Rohrer mentioned Michigan had success with the assistance of National for a statewide membership drive. Many good ideas were discussed such as a video, a social, golf outing etc. to recruit. Rohrer would like to sponsor a social for the conference. Discussion was held.

Motion by Bruguier, second by Marker that Rohrer will put together a committee to hold a social event for SDMEA Members at the State Music Education Conference. Motion carried.

Motion by Schenk, second by Schilf that Rohrer and Carr develop a promotional video and radio spot to promote SDMEA. Motion carried.

SD Musician Magazine-Brown

Brown reviewed the information supplied by Perkins and Perkins. Brown and Schilf will be in touch with the manager's to review the information provided for the SD Musician Magazine.

Collegiate Report- van Gent

van Gent asked Bossman to put a collegiate link on the home page to view a video and other information for collegiate members.

She reviewed the new teacher partnership information on the home page and encouraged board members to sign up as a mentors.

Middle School Choral Chair- Fiske via Brown

Kids Sing Camp- There are currently 19 students registered.

Virtual Choir- There were 7 students from 2 schools submitted entries.

The board wants these events to continue. Discussion was held to potentially change dates.

Another idea was to add a regional live festival middle school choir on each side of the state.

Orchestra/Newsletter - Marker

The deadline for the newsletter each month is the 15th of the month! She asked for input and it was decided that no newsletter would be written for June and July.

Marker is excited to work with Bakken to develop the All State Middle School Orchestra Event.

Audition material will be uploaded in August. She is still securing a conductor.

The date is February 24-25, 2017 at Pierre Riggs HS Auditorium. She borrowed information from Wranek to get this event started.

Band-Borchardt

Borchardt reported that Middle School All State Jazz Band is going to be a new reality.

Information will be posted on the web site soon! It will be held in Yankton on February 3 and 4, 2017. Wranek shared the MSASB info to get started. Clinicians will be Doug Beach and Ben Harder. There will be two bands of twenty students. The audition material will be the chromatic, major scale and blues scale and an excerpt of a song with an improv section to be used as a score tie-breaker. Future location sites were discussed. Yamaha will sponsor Doug Beach and he will be composing a piece for this first event.

Tri-M- Amundson

Pierre and Tea Area are the two active senior chapters in the State. Amundson will strive to get more information out in the newsletters to promote chapters. She thought the chapter of the year award application was on the web site and it was not. She suggested a deadline for chapter of the year be in the fall and be presenting the award at the fall conference. The board suggested a deadline so applications could be reviewed at the August meeting. Amundson has a difficult time getting information from National.

Conference Registration-Technology- Carr

He will report under the state conference.

Exhibits/Archivist/Historian/Webmaster- Bossman

Bossman reviewed the exhibit booth history of the conference. Bossman is encouraged by the growth. Discussion was held to have an "early bird" rate and increasing the fee for a booth.

Webmaster- May 1 was the second anniversary of the updated web site.

Historian- Bossman takes information to Augustana University to archive.

Retired Educator's - Cade

She submitted information in the newsletter that retired SDMEA membership educator's are eligible to receive a free ticket to the All State Chorus and Orchestra concert.

Elementary - Bruguier

Bruguier reported that the seventh annual festival choir is complete. Two sites have grown into six sites with a registration of 575 students. The 19th Annual Honor Choir will be in Sioux Falls. Kimberly Ahrens, Greater Dallas Children's Chorus, will be the guest conductor. 160 students were chosen from 305 auditions.

Choral- Danger

There were 22 students who participated in the first High School Virtual Choir.

Motion by Schilf, second by Bruguier to pay Dr. David Dickau a \$300 stipend for his work on the high school virtual choir. Motion carried.

Awards- Bowen

Bowen would like to retire from the Awards Chair position as of July 1.

Distinguished Administrator and Retired Music Instructor- no nominations currently

SDMEA Outstanding Young Educator- 1 nomination

HS Music Participation - Leola so far is the only school.

Years of Service award is a work in progress. 8th Annual Awards Reception 7:30 pm Friday evening.

Motion by Zahn second by van Gent that the years of service award winners are contact by email and asked to either reply confirming their attendance and receiving their plaque in person or decline attending and provide a mailing address to send their plaque. People who do not reply, do not receive a plaque. Call to question. Motion carried.

State Music Conference- Brown

Carr sent out the registration form from last year for the board to revise.

Discussion was held regarding the choral reading session and the band reading session and/or an orchestra session. Carr addressed using PayPal as the method of payment.

Brown received four concert applications. Brown reviewed clinician applications. There is currently no headliner for the State Music Education Conference. The key note speaker will be Russell Robinson. Registration costs were discussed. Exhibit information has already been sent so costs will not be increased this year.

Update on National Assembly

Bruguier and Rohrer will be attending the National Assembly at the end of June.

NC Fall meeting date is September 23 and 24, 2017. The date is not known at this time.

Zahn was recognized by the board for her six years on the board.
Next Meeting: August 20, 2016 SDHSAA, Pierre, SD 10 am to 5 pm.

Motion by Schenk, second by Schilf to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried

Submitted by Sutton, May 22, 2016