

# **South Dakota Music Education Association**

Unapproved Meeting Minutes

January 6, 2018

Brandon Valley Intermediate School, Brandon, SD

10:00 AM

**Board Members Present:** Rogene Brown, Mike Bossman, Laura Schenk, Jaime Kessler, Kim Bruguier, Bethany Amundson, Kim Bogart, Todd Carr, Spencer Wahl, Angela Larson, Vicki Hyder, Char Cade, Beth Neitzert, Kristen Dunlap, Andrea Harstad, Paul Schilf, Wendy wan Gent, Erin McFarland

**Board Members Absent:** Colby Schuck, Kari Owens, Deb Rohrer, Jon Bakken

President Bruguier called the meeting to order at 10:07 am.

**Motion by Schenk, second by Bossman to approve the January 6, 2018 SDMEA board meeting agenda. Motion carries.**

## **President Report- Kim Bruguier:**

Bruguier presented information on the National SDMEA In-service in Dallas where she was a presenter. Discussion was held regarding the logistics of implementing a Hill Day event in South Dakota.

**Motion by van Gent, second by Hyder to create a committee to pursue starting a South Dakota Music Education Hill Day. Motion carries.**

Bruguier discussed the expansion of conference jobs. Bruguier proposed adding a paid Conference Manager position to the board. She also proposed that we have a committee to serve under the Conference Manager position. We are looking at collaborating with members of ASTA, Bandmasters, ACDA, and SDMEA and including them in our committee to create a conference that appeals to the needs and interests of all music teachers in the state. Bruguier emphasized that even as we expand we would like to see all the other music conferences in the state continue to thrive. Bruguier suggested that Brown take on the position of Conference Manager for the first year of implementation.

**Motion by Brown, second by Schenk that we further discussion about creating a Conference Chair and Committee. Motion carries.**

Amundson emphasized that including other memberships in our Conference Committee will help us continue to build positive relationships amongst music organizations in the state. Brown mentioned that there could be a space issue if we expand our conference in the convention center. Discussion was held.

Discussion was held regarding what the stipend should be for the Conference Manager position and what the position might entail. Schenk suggested that before a stipend can be decided, a detailed job description for the Conference Manager should be laid out.

**Motion by van Gent, second by Cade that we set an initial stipend for the 2018 Conference Manager at \$1,500. Motion carries.**

**Motion by Schenk, second Amundson that we appoint with the stipend of \$1,500, Rogene Brown to the position of 2018 Conference Manager. Motion carries.**

Bruguier is planning on hosting the SDMEA Summer Session again in Mitchell. She would appreciate any ideas for clinicians to present for this session.

Elementary- Elect, Middle School General/Choral Chair, and Orchestra Chair will be the positions that are opening on the board.

Bruguier suggested that McFarland be nominated to serve another term as MS General/Choral Chair. Bogart and Neitzert suggested that Laura Cooper be nominated for Orchestra Chair.

### **Secretary's Report – Jaime Kessler**

Please review minutes at [www.sdmea.net](http://www.sdmea.net)

**Motion by Amundson, second by Brown to approve the August 26, 2017 meeting minutes. Motion carries.**

**Motion by Amundson, second by Brown to approve the October 28, 2017 meeting minutes. Motion carries.**

### **Treasurer's Report-Laura Schenk**

Schenk went over guidelines for dealing with money and paperwork in regards to running finances for events through the organization. Schenk asked for suggestions in regards to using PayPal for SDMEA sponsored events in the future. She reminded board members to label anything that is sent to the treasurer for clarity and proper bookkeeping.

### **Middle School Band- Andrea Harstad, Kristen Dunlap**

Middle School All-State band will be March 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> in Pierre, SD. Harstad reported that everything went smoothly with the audition process this year. She received a few recommendations from judges for tweaking a couple items in the audition process for individual instruments for next year. Harstad and Dunlap will look into updating some of the audition material.

Schilf brought up the issues going on with Tresona regarding copyright. Schilf suggested that we no longer promote the selling of audio or video recordings of our performances for SDMEA sponsored events

Bruguier reiterated the board's requirement that any clinicians or directors that are a part of our events are expected to be members of NAFME. Mary Cogswell was asked to direct MS All-State band without being presented that information.

**Motion by Brown, second by van Gent that we reimburse the NAFME membership cost for Mary Cogswell for the amount of the full membership. Motion carries.**

### **President Elect Report- Bethany Amundson**

Amundson reported that we will need to elect a new Tri- M Chair to take over her position now that she has taken on the position of President Elect.

LUNCH BREAK at 12:36 pm—Meeting resumed at 1:07

### **SD Musician Magazine**

Discussion was held in regards of charging SDSU for the one page ad that is included in the SD Musician Magazine for the choral portion of the South Dakota In-Service Music Conference.

### **Middle School Report—Erin McFarland**

McFarland reported on updating the All-State Chorus and Orchestra t-shirt ordering process. She will look into creating a google form to streamline the process.

MS Virtual Choir forms are up on the SDMEA website. Registration is due by February 1<sup>st</sup> and recordings are due March 15<sup>th</sup>.

Due to building renovations, Kids Sing Camp will not be held at Augustana. McFarland is looking into other possible locations.

## **Orchestra Report - Beth Neitzert**

Middle School All-State Orchestra is February 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> in Rapid City. Auditions went well and the audition numbers have doubled from last year.

## **Band Report- Spencer Wahl**

Middle School All-State Jazz Band is February 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> in Mitchell. Audition numbers have stayed steady from last year. They have bass and piano vacancies. Wahl is looking for recommendations for boosting the number of students auditioning. Schilf suggested finding a way to combine the audition for MS All-State Band and Jazz Band. Discussion was held. It was decided that the audition process stay the same for the 2019 event.

## **Collegiate Report—Wendy van Gent**

The new music teacher partnerships continue to go well. There are 14 new music teacher matched with mentors this year. van Gent mentioned that she is always looking for new mentors.

van Gent is continuing to make connections with collegiate chapters from around the state. She is hoping to have more universities participate in collegiate day for the State Music Conference. The research poster session was successful for its first year at the State Music Conference and will continue at the 2018 conference.

## **Newsletter**

Continue to get information in for the newsletter by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.

## **Technology Report- Todd Carr**

### 2017 Music Education Conference Registration Numbers

47 collegiate

2 member one day

6 nonmember full conference

26 member full conference

1 nonmember 1st/2nd year teacher

3 member 1st/2nd year teacher

2 member mentor

13 for grad credit

Carr suggested finding a way to get session information or video recordings to attendees post-conference. Discussion was held.

### **Exhibits/Webmaster/Historian Report- Mike Bossman**

Bossman mentioned that if board members need items put on the website they just need to email him. Exhibits entries remained relatively steady from the previous years.

Discussion was held on giving the job of conference registration and exhibits to the conference committee.

### **Retired Report- Char Cade**

Cade continues to look for the names of retirees that are eligible to receive free All-State Chorus and Orchestra tickets. Bogart mentioned that she could collaborate with Cade to get the names of recent retirees.

### **Elementary Report—Kari Owens/Vicki Hyder**

Elementary Honor Choir went very well and the director was well received. Hyder mentioned that more breaks in the rehearsal schedule would work better for the 2018 event. The gluten/allergy free snacks caused a bit of a problem for this year's event and will be organized differently for next year.

Owens submitted to the Office of the Governor an "Executive Proclamation" to declare March as *Music In Our Schools Month*.

This year will be the 9<sup>th</sup> annual festival choir. They have 764 students registered this year. Last year's registration was 628.

### **Choral Report – Angela Larson**

Larson is looking into an alternative idea for the HS students in place of Virtual Choir. Some of her ideas include a festival for freshman singers, a festival for middle level singers, or a state level choral competition.

Discussion was held in regards to having the All-State Chorus t-shirt job go back to the HS Choral Chair. Larson will take over this job.

### **Awards Report—Kim Bogart**

Bogart presented on the awards that were given at the State Music Conference. Bogart is re-doing all of the nomination forms and award information on the website. She will be adding a google form to the website to update the awards nomination process. Discussion was held on clarifying the requirements and guidelines for receiving the music participation award.

### **State Music Education Conference 2018 Items**

Brown encouraged board members to clear their schedules to assist with the State Music Education Conference in 2018. This will be the 10<sup>th</sup> State Music Conference.

### **New Business**

**Motion by Brown, second by Bossman to cover travel expenses and out of state meal per diems for President, President-elect, and Executive Director to attend the National Conference. Motion carries.**

**Motion by Schilf, second by Larson to provide financial assistance for collegiate students to attend the National Conference. Motion Carries.**

**Motion by Brown, second by Bossman to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned 3:57 PM.**

Next meeting: May 19, 2018; 10:00 am, Brandon Valley Intermediate School

Submitted by Kessler, January 6, 2018