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TMEA COUNCIL MEETING Saturday, August 13, 2011 Tennessee State University Nashville

The annual meeting of the Tennessee Music Education Association Council was called to order at 9:33 AM with welcoming remarks by President Ron Rogers.

Members present included:

Beard, Nancy – WTGMEA President	Rayburn, Billy - State Choral Chair
Burton, Jim – ETSBOA President-Elect	Robinson, Gaylon – WTVMEA President-Elect
Chipman, David – WTSBOA President	Rogers, Ron – President
Clift, Chris – ETVA President	Sanford, Terry – Webmaster
Cook, Lafe – State Band Chair	Simmons, Jason – MTGMEA President- Elect
Cornish, Craig – MTSBOA President- Elect	Sullivan, Judith – CMENC Advisor
Eddleman, Dian – President-Elect; WTVMEA President	Swinson, Brenda – ETGMEA President-Elect
Elliott, Sandy – MTVA President	Taylor, Steve - ETSBOA President; all- state general co-chair (instrumental)
Grooms, Carole – MTSBOA President	Toothman, Marissa – MTGMEA President
Henning, Karen – WTSDBOA President-Elect	Wilensky, Pamela – State Orchestra Chair
Holland, Lia – MTVA President-Elect	Wilkes, Gary – Past President
Hood, JoAnn – Conference Exhibits Chair	Yatuzis-Derryberry, Alexis – State General Music Chair
Johnson, Jan – ETVA President - Elect	Mike Combs, TMEA Executive, Secretary-Treasurer
Lee, William – Research Chair	
Lowe, Jenny – ETGMEA President	
McWhirter, Jamila – State Higher Ed Chair	
Mitchell, Richard – MIOSM Chair	

The meeting began with opening remarks by Dr. Robert Elliott, Chair of the Tennessee State University Department of Music. He welcomed the members of the Council and made brief comments about the TSU music program.

President Rogers's address to the Council included a report of the officers' trip to the MENC Leadership Conference in Washington this summer and he made the

point that MENC truly meets the needs of music educators in the US. He made positive comments about MENC Executive Director and the MENC National President.

Dian Eddleman commented on the need to add to our existing programs. She noted we have lots of music students we are not utilizing our school programs. We must reach out to some non traditional programs.

Rogers indicated the involvement of Dr. Marvelene Moore and added he would like to add a board member to represent secondary general music.

He announced that the 2012 and 2013 state conferences will be in Chattanooga.

Gary Wilkes added that he wished our conferences could remain in middle Tennessee but that is not possible. He pointed out we will be in Memphis in 2014 and hopefully we can move back to middle Tennessee after that. The 2012 conference will be exciting and innovative - opening on Wednesday night with Straight, No Chaser. Military groups were not a reasonable option.

Wilkes announced coming election for TMEA president elect and asked for nominations from the associations by October 1st. Dian commented on the selection process for new state chairs and asked for help from council members.

Rogers announced that MENC President Scott Schuler will be in Tennessee for the fall CMENC kickoff on Oct 8 and also for our state conference in April.

There was discussion about loss of Jeanette Crosswhite from our board and from the position with Tennessee Department of Education and the need for an advocacy chair. Must have a voice in our state legislature.

President Rogers asked for all council members to introduce themselves.

Rogers added positive comments about the planned conference in Memphis in 2014.

Association reports:

With little exception, reports were provided either electronically in advance or in hard copy at the meeting. Each report was supported by verbal comments.

WTSBODA
WTVMEA
WTGME
MTSBOA
MTVA

MTGMEA
ETSBODA
ETVA
ETGMEA

Rogers provided summary comments; Wilkes mentioned a TMEA face book page that he had created.

Break-

Meeting called to order at 11:13 AM.

First order was to introduce Dr. Reginald McDonald with an expression of appreciation and presentation of a plaque to commend Dr McDonald and TSU for their support of the 2011 State Music Conference.

PROJECT REPORTS

(Most were written and provided in advance.)

GENERAL MUSIC

Discussion about recorder ensemble and guitar ensemble;
Request for link for support for teaching guitar

CHORAL (verbal report) This is not a good time to add freshmen in all-state choral groups; document will be added to all-state handbook that includes all-state testing consistent among all three regions.

BAND (verbal report) Very excited about all-state band conductors – Ray Cramer and Jerry Junkin; report on band commission for 2014 (conductor TBA); state concert festival going well and will be in TSU in April 25-26, 2012; great lineup of clinicians; lots of support for 9th grade all-state band; need for state graded music list

HIGHER EDUCATION

(written report provided in advance)

ORCHESTRA

(written report provided in advance)

RANDY BOX Auditions Committee: 19 instrumental and 10 choral applications received with wide variety of groups and literature; expect great conference concerts; all groups are ranked within their classification; request command performance by TTU Tuba Ensemble; names of those listening to and evaluating the recordings are not anonymous.

ALL-STATE CHORAL (written report provided in advance)

ALL-STATE INSTRUMENTAL (written report provided in advance)

EXHIBITS (report provided in advance)

CMENC - Kickoff Oct 8th; Scott Schuler will be special guest; request for help for CMENC sessions at conference; discussion about process of using students as presiders; Judith's last year as advisor and discussed candidates to take over

RESEARCH - (report sent in advance)

RICHARD MITCHELL – MIOSM

Recommend to support Pat Brown as a member of the Hall of Honor at UT

WEBSITE - written report; brief comments

HISTORIAN - Jamila McWhirter agreed to serve as "acting historian"

Council meeting adjourned at 12:37 PM

Meeting of 9 regional presidents called by President Rogers

Item of business: change to the TMEA bylaws (proposal provided in advance of the meeting)

Proposal: **To change the bylaws to add the position of secondary general music chair to the board of directors;**

Discussion about position

Vote passed unanimously

CAUCUS MEETINGS

Following the caucus meetings, those not staying for the Board meeting were excused.

Board of Directors meeting

Called to order by President Rogers at 2:13 PM

Board of directors present included:

Ron Rogers, President	Billy Rayburn, Choral Chair
Dian Eddleman, President-elect	Alexis Derryberry, General Music Chair
Gary Wilkes, Past President	Jamila McWhirter, Higher Ed Chair
Mike Combs, Executive	Steve Taylor, All-State instrumental chair
Lafe Cook, Band Chair	
Pamela Wilensky, Orchestra Chair	

It was moved to accept the minutes of the June 30/July 1 Board meeting; motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Band Caucus report:

Motion was made to include the addition of a 9th grade band in 2014.
(Band caucus partnered with TBA) Held until new business.

Rogers – if we want to do this, it should be in 2014 in Memphis where we have adequate facilities for the additional ensembles.

Choral Caucus - change in all-state handbook; done by the end of this week

General Music - audition process for treble chorus and other details

New Business:

Convention –

Should we have all of the All-State groups perform on Saturday????

Discussion

All-state choral groups arrive Wed??

Draft schedule:

Wednesday – Registration 5:00 PM Rehearsals 8:00 PM

Draft schedule of performances – IF all perform on Saturday:

Friday evening – jazz band concert

Saturday at Tivoli

10:00 AM instrumental group

11:00 AM instrumental group

12:30 AM, 1:15 PM; 2:00 PM choral groups

It was suggested that there be no choral rehearsal Fri evening during jazz band concert

Motion: **TMEA to secure tickets to Straight, No Chaser for all-state students and all-collegiate students**; motion passed; many details to work out

Motion made and seconded to change the name of the chair position:

**From - General Music To - Elementary General Music
Motion Passed**

Steve Coleman was mentioned as a possible person to fill the position of Advocacy Chair

Dian mentioned her plans to have new state chairs identified by Jan 1

State Manager - Ron Rogers would like time to reconsider that.

Motion from the band caucus:

That beginning in 2014, Tennessee All-State will include a 9th grade all-state band and all-state string orchestra. During the coming two years, details of that program will be worked out.

The motion passed unanimously

There was discussion of description of caucuses and round table meetings at conference.

It was agreed that conference registration will be on line. Ron to direct Terry to work this out

Motion to adjourn 4:20 PM

Conference call possibly in October.

Respectfully submitted

F. Michael Combs
TMEA Executive

Secretary-Treasurer