



**Tennessee Music Education Association
Virtual Meeting
Board Minutes**

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

In Attendance:

TMEA Board

- President Dr. Ryan Fisher
- President-Elect Joel Denton
- Executive Director Michael Chester
- Secretary Dian Eddleman
- General Music Chair Ben Torres
- NAFME Collegiate Chair Dr. Michael Chandler
- Choral Chair Demetrius Robinson
- Government Relations Chair Dr. Christopher Dye
- Band Chair Dr. Ollie Liddell
- Higher Education Chair Lauren Ramey
- SMTE/Research Chair Dr. Loneka Wilkinson-Battiste
- TMEA Publications Managing Editor and Communications Anna Laura Williams
- Absent: Orchestra Chair Cynthia Wright, Immediate Past President Alexis Yatuzis-Derryberry

I. Call to Order –President Fisher called the meeting to order at 10:39AM Wednesday April 19, 2023.

II. Roll Call and Welcome
See above.

III. Approval of 3/19/2023 Minutes– President Fisher
The motion was made by Lauren Ramey, seconded by Ben Torres and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2023 TMEA Virtual Board Meeting Minutes.

IV. Executive Director Report-TMEA Executive Michael Chester
Executive Director Michael Chester welcomed the TMEA Board of Directors to the 64th annual TMEA Professional Development Conference. Mr. Chester plans to distribute an updated financial report and proposed upcoming fiscal year budget, following the conference.

V. Final Conference Updates

Executive Director Michael Chester and President Dr. Ryan Fisher led the conference update discussion. Ubers have been reserved for all state ensembles conductors. Mr. Chester announced conference sponsors. QuaverEd is sponsoring the conference badges and Music For All is sponsoring the lanyards. Dr. Fisher requested the board members visit the exhibits and assist with registration in Ryman Hall. He also encouraged the board to utilize the WHOVA app. There is a need for additional presiders. Dr. Fisher also discussed the need to begin searching for session presenters and clinicians for conference 2024.

VI. Caucus Agenda Review

President Fisher reminded the board that all caucus decisions are advisory and submitted to the board for approval.

VII. Publications report

TMEA Publications Managing Editor and Communications Anna Laura Williams requested to take a picture of the board. She also requested all board members distribute business cards regarding advertising.

VIII. Review of Future Conference Task Force proposed members

Tabled.

XI. Input on 2023-2024 board meeting schedule

President Fisher discussed the possibility of Sunday meetings to continue beginning at 2:00pmCST. He also discussed the timeline of the monthly board meetings as well as the timeline of the TMEA Council meetings. In addition, Dr. Fisher reviewed the process of collegiates attending National Leadership Assembly in the summer. Dr. Christopher Dye reviewed the model of Hill Day in concurrent with National Assembly.

XII. Adjournment

It was moved by Dr. Loneka Battiste, seconded by Ben Torres and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:09am.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Dian Eddleman