



# Tennessee Music Education Association

Mission: to promote the advancement of high quality music education for all

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RE: TMEA Financial Summary

Thank you to all TMEA volunteers who give so much to our association.  
Without you, TMEA would not exist!

A major unplanned donation from the CMA Foundation allowed us to make some major improvements to our Professional Development Conference.

Donations in support of our advocacy efforts came from: (Please do not share the specific information listed below)

Current Financial Standing:

Checking \$ 55,334.53 / Sav. \$95,000

PayPal \$ 9,316.96

Opryland Payment \$ w-18,682.53

QB Total June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 - \$150,334.53

QB Total June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 - \$123,538.67

QB Total June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 - \$123,688.32

We actually had to pay Opryland over \$18,000 after conference mainly because of the 34 scholarship to attend conference. The meal ticket purchase at Opryland was lower by about \$5,000. (We need your help to keep have as much participation as possible) Thanks to our members, we met the contractual allotment for room reservations this year. Our contract for next year will not include the Presidential Ballroom for concerts. Plans are to have concerts in the Tennessee Ballroom.

We have contracted with Gaylord Opryland to host our convention for the years 2021 – 2025. More discussion later. ( I am available to answer any questions you may have any time!)

We received accurate financial information from all of our chairs this year  
**WHICH MAKES IT MUCH EASIER TO PROVIDE YOU ACCURATE INFORMATION!**

Congratulations to Jo Ann Hood for the large number of Exhibitors this year. I understand we filled all but one exhibit booth! Excellent work!

Congratulations again to Michael Chester and his publication team for an outstanding Tennessee Musician Publication year right on schedule and the Best in the country! Advertising seems to be at an all-time high and the quality of our magazine is second to none in the country!

Our Parent Support Group enrollment efforts have been very successful and continue! There were no major legislative proposals that could potentially adversely affect music classes this year!

Hill Day and the NAFME National Leadership Assembly in Washington D.C. continues to be well attended. Jennifer Vannatta-Hall set up a collegiate application process for Hill Day attendees that was VERY EFFECTIVE! We need to address funding for this advocacy effort, since NAFME keeps lowering the support they give for officers to attend etc. Increased cost for airfare is also an issue.

We are in a better financial situation this year and can begin planning the relocation of the TMEA office to a rental property.

Thank you for all you do for Music Education in Tennessee!

Best,

Ron

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TMEA Executive Director