TMEA Board Meeting  
April 13, 2005  
3:00pm CDST  
Renaissance Hotel  
Nashville, TN  

Present: Jeff Brewer, Steve Coleman (absent), Ron Meers, Frank Hale, Mike Combs, Jeff Phillips, Dian Eddleman, Karen Blooding, Lee Harris, Sandy Morris, Jeanette Crosswhite, Terry Sanford, B.J. Frost, Mark Garey, Jeremy Jones (assistant to Terry Sanford)

Jeff Brewer-President:  

Each person exchanged room numbers and phone numbers for contact at this week's event.

Frank Hale:  

Treasurers report was given showing a current balance of $115,400.07. Terry Sanford mentioned that All-State rehearsal CD's are no longer in the budget and are handled locally. Next year's conference dates are March 29-April 1.

Mike Combs:  

Reviewed deadlines for next two issues. Wants board members to mention awards to local members and their students in their articles. June 15 deadline.

Terry Sanford:  

Everything is going OK for the events this week. Instrumental chairs were slow in getting in material.

B.J. Frost:  

SATB rehearsals for next year will be at either Lifeway or First Baptist.  
2007 dates: April 18-21  
2008: April 16-19  
Presiders at each session should rate the clinician, count participants, and check name badges at the door. An attempt will be made to provide the handouts of each session on the web-site. We have a larger number of sessions this year. Next year we need to try to schedule all caucuses at basically the same time in order to not take people away from sessions. Terry mentioned that we need to look at changing the college fair to a different time next year. In 2007 probably all All-State concerts will be on Saturday due to Symphony Hall availability.

Sandy Morris:  

The orchestra caucus will be at Huime Fogg rather than the convention center. To be discussed in the caucus will be the possibility of including 9th grade in All-State.

Jeff Phillips:  

Caucus: State concert festival will be discussed. Dates for next year's state festival will be decided this week. 9th grade at all-state will also be discussed.
Karen Blooding:

Vincent Oakes is doing a great job. 156 students are participating. 37 schools. 150 will be set as the limit for the group for the future. TCAP is always during the last 2 weeks of April. This can be a problem for future dates of the conference.

Diane Eddleman:

Robert King wants to discuss in the caucus, the collaboration of ACDA and TMEA. Raising of the conference directors fee may be a problem. 9th grade for all-state will also be discussed.

Lee Harris:

College night is OK. Caucus is right before college night session. Directors are not required to attend college night. Directors need to be encouraged to attend CMENC session.

Jeff Brewer (old business):

1. follow up on the not for profit status.
2. June 1 deadline for new sec-tres position.
3. TN alliance for arts education. Wants one person from our board to serve on this board. BJ Frost volunteered for this position.
4. Who procures venues for conference and all-state? This needs to be well defined.
5. Do we now need a new auditions chair since Ron is now Pres-Elect. Ron is suggesting Mike Ammott for this position. He will check with Mike about this.
6. We need to make a refund policy for all-state cancellations. No refunds, but put it in writing.
7. Level of giving for benefactors will be ironed out.
8. Mark Garey is checking into on-line registration.
9. Do we want to make the retired teachers into a caucus? Maybe they could also work with CMENC. Do we need to give them more duties. Mentoring?
10. Do we post job vacancies on the TMEA web-site? It can be done.
11. Should the all-state position be a saliared position?
12. Should commissioning project be in the budget?

June meeting: June 17-18 at Belmont is a possibility. July 14-15 is a possibility.

Respectfully submitted by

F. Michael Combs
Executive Secretary-Treasurer