

**Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, July 14-15, 2005 Belmont University**

Those Present:

Officers: Jeff Brewer, Ronald Meers, Michael Combs

State chairs: Jeff Philips, Dian Eddleman, Karen Blooding, Lee Harris, Sandy Morris, Jeanette Crosswhite

Others: Bobby Jean Frost, Jo Ann Hood, Mark Garey, Billy Stepp

July 14, 2:00: Review of agenda and opening remarks by President Brewer

Announcements about new positions in TMEA leadership

B. J. - McKendree space available for CMENC on Friday

Summary of general discussion:

Note: B.J., SATB choral rehearsal will be in CC 206 (Thurs/Fri in 1st Baptist)

Motion and seconded - unanimous support of minutes of April board meeting; minutes files and put on web site (members only)

Financial report - Combs

Delete all-state CD from budget (Sanford)

Change registration fees for conference on web site for all-state; Billy Stepp, all-state chair, will oversee the all-state web site and notify Combs of any and all corrections and additions.

Motion to accept financial report "budget summary" as presented

Approved, unanimous

Since most reports were present in hard copy, those written details were not included here

REPORTS:

Orchestra - Sandy Morris

Conductor of all state orchestra confirmed, Gary Lewis from TTU

Main focus - expansion of all state groups to include grades 9 -12
proposal

dropped

Items as per written report

Band - Jeff Phillips

Written report provided and filed

Choral - Karen Blooding

Note - coordinator of treble honor choir is too music for the state elementary chair to do; suggestion - appoint a treble choir chair and co-chair (project chairs)

conductor selected and Combs will generate contract

Higher Ed - Lee Harris concerns about higher ed caucuses at conference; discussion of CMENC activities at the conference

Discussion about applying to perform at conference (BJ)

Executive committee will write a policy re: frequency of performing, perhaps limiting frequency -

Proposal from Tenn ACDA (written) presented by Dian - ACDA wants to assist TMEA by sponsoring particular performing groups, etc. - adding venue and paying for space

B J notes, ASTA, TBA, Jazz Educators, etc,
Discussion

For 06, ACDA can do lunch with performing group: sponsor a clinician for a session

American School Band Directors Association

Time slot for second TBA - voted against

Time slot for ASBDA discussed - perhaps sponsorship of a group

Decision - create smaller group to look into these other groups more thoroughly

Jeanette Crosswhite

Written report provided; discussion followed

Combs - brief report on the Tennessee Musician including production schedule of 2005-06

Initial discussion of incorporating TMEA. Combs will do more research and provide report.

Consideration of increasing All-State conductors' honorarium to \$2,400 to "do the job" and Treble honor choir \$1600 - no changes for 2006 but to be considered for 2007

All-state sub group met and reviewed contracts for conductors;

Responsibilities: Combs - business; Stepp everything related to all-state and provide Combs with any and all business that needs to be handled

Voting sub group:

Refund policy - **all fees paid to TMEA are non refundable**

Put on all relative forms - registration forms, etc. and on web site

Like, treble choir, all state, state band festival, conference registration forms

Jeff will ask the state school board association if they would consider sending a delegate from their association to be a non-voting member of the TMEA board.

Discussion about a retired teachers' caucus, separate from the retired teachers project chair. Explore possibilities of using retired teachers working with CMENC chapters to serve as mentors

State chairs are asked to contact the 9 regional presidents asking the presidents to identify recently retired successful teachers in their region. The state chairs will review the list for further action.

Recommend to exect board: Fund up to \$2500 for jazz band commission in2007.

Adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Friday, 15th, 9:00 a.m.

B. J .

Report: Tennessee Alliance for the Arts Education - BJ Frost TMEA at large rep to the board

Financial report:

23 colleges - x \$50 goes to pay bill for college night

Mark Gary

Registration report - written report

200 exhibitors registered

Pre-registration postmarked before March 17th deadline

Credit cards not worth it

On line forms work well

Recommend to coordinate pre-registration with treble honor choir

All state will register only one director for each group from each school; others (assistants, etc) will need to register with regular registration

Regional association will be assessed a \$250 fine by TMEA if all-state student registration materials are not submitted to the state ensemble chairs by the stated deadline

2006 deadline is March 1st

Changes notes in handbook and on web site

Registration times: wed 4 - 8; Thursday 7:30-11:30, 12:30-4:30; Fri 7:30-11:30, 12:30-3

Pre-registration form in winter issue along with article

All-State report - Terry discussion

BJ will contact TPAC/War Memorial, Hume/Fogg and arrange/confirm space there

Retain status quo for 2006; no significant changes

Debbie Burton, newly appointed All-state band chair elburton98@aol.com

Winter issue: list all the chairs and equipment handlers

Billy will write a regular all state report

Exhibits: Jo Ann Hood

Written report:

Exhibit hours for 2006 conference: 4-8 Wed set up; 7:30 - 9 Thursday

Open 9:00 Thurs - with mini-concert; grand opening 30 min after general session - probably 1,1:30 exhibits close at 5:00

Friday - open 9:00 close 1:00

Discussion of sound system; BJ will work on that

Small instrumental and/or vocal groups performing informal mini-concerts during conference at various locations

Lee Harris coordinator of selections working with BJ regarding details

Go with Fern decorators for the next two years

Booth fees? No increase

More time in schedule to visit exhibitors

Discussion - College Night

All state schedule:

Suggested: Thurs 9 - 11:30 ; 2:00-4:30 7-9 (vocal may do 2-4 6-8)

10-11: 15 general session

11:30 grand opening

12 - 1:30 All State College Fair

Pizza provided for all state students only

Ron Meers - auditions for conference

20-30 groups applied; currently in process of listening

small groups not selected but capable, can be referred to BJ for mini concerts

Lee will report back to board regarding collegiate mini-groups

List of TMEA-owned music needs to be developed and filed by Combs

Review of conference and all-state printed programs

Barry Lumpkins recording conference - will do for 06

barrylum@aol.com; Combs will invite others to submit bids for coming years

All-State CD, sent to : VIP's gov, commissioner of ed - BJ will send details to Jeff

Combs will check with Stephen Coleman about the TMEA awards announcements

Treble Honor chorus - general discussion

Board adjourned at 1:00.

Submitted by F. Michael Combs

TMEA Secretary