Report of the Council Meeting on August 13, 2005

The annual meeting of the TMEA Council was held on August 13, 2005, at Riverdale High School in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. (central time) by President Jeff Brewer.

Introduction of Council Members Present:

NELBA THOMAS, WTVA President
HELEN REDDING, WTVA President-Elect
JERED ROSS, CMENC Vice President (substitute)
NICOLE ROBINSON, CMENC State Advisor
LEE HARRIS, Higher Education Chair
ELLEN KOZIEL – WTVA President
BILL LEE- Research Chair
EARL HINTON – Government Relations Chair
DAVID BUTLER – ETSBOA President-Elect
RON ROGERS – ETSBOA President
JEFF PHILIPS – State Band Chair
SANDY MORRIS – State Orchestra Chair
CHRISTY BOCK – ETEMEA President
JEROME SOUTHER – ETEMEA President-Elect
KAREN BLOODING – State General Music Chair
LAURA COPPAGE – Treble Honor Choir Chair
LEEANN MYNATT – ETSBOA President
MARTY LOSS – Music Merchants Chair
LEA HOLLINS (MTVA sub)
JEANETTE CROSSWHITE – Tenn Dept of Education
MARK GAREY – MTSBOA President
DIANE EDDLEMAN – State Choral Chair
BARRY TROBAUGH – WTSBOA President-Elect
DAVID TALBERT – MTSBOA Members Chair
BOBBY JEAN FROST – Conference General Manager
VIVIAN MILLER – Historian/Retired Members Chair

OFFICERS: JEFF BREWER, President; RON MEERS, President-Elect; STEVE COLEMAN, Past President; MICHAEL COMBS, Executive Secretary and Editor

MEMBERS ABSENT:

BILLY STEPP, All-State General Chair
MIKE AYMETT, Conference Auditions Chair
CAROLYN JARRETT, Tri-M Chair
JOSH SQUIRE, CMENC President (substitute provided)
JEANETTE MACCALLUM, MTVA President-Elect
LEWIS WALLING, MTVA President
KAREN MUELLER, MTEMEA President-Elect
TIFFANY DEPRIEST, MTEVEA President
Total in attendance: 32

Council members were provided with a binder containing minutes of the July 14-15 Board meeting, a brief Executive-Secretary report, the 2004-05 financial summary, contact information of council members, financial report of the magazine and conference program, magazine production schedule, guidelines for magazine submission, reimbursement form.

President Brewer called for review of the minutes of the Board meeting from July 14-15. The following corrections were noted:

Under reports, the Choral Chair should be Dian Eddleman and Karen Blooding is the State General Music Chair
B. J. Frost is a member of the Executive Committee of the Tennessee Alliance for Arts Education.
A minor typo was corrected.
The minutes are filed in the “members only” section of the TNMEA web site.

REGIONAL PRESIDENTS’ REPORTS – All, except for Middle Tennessee Vocal Association, provided handouts of details of this past year's activities. Verbal reports included the following:

ETEMEA Christy Bock
Notes of annual meeting; workshop news; financial report

MTEMEA by Karen Blooding (Karen Mueller, ETEMEA president, was ill and Vice-President Tiffany DePriest was absent) report of officers; report of workshops; plans for future.
Laura Coppage was introduced as the new Projects Chair of the Tennessee Treble Honor Choir. Her contact information will be listed in the magazine.

WTEMEA Ellen Koziel report of events and activities

ETVA Lee Ann Mynatt - report on officers and activities

MTVA - no report (Lewis Walling, MTVA President and Jeanette MacCallum, Vice-President were absent)

WTVA - Nelba Thomas – report on activities

ETSBOA - Ron Rogers – report on association activities; first annual state concert festival

MTSBOA - Mark Garey - report that detailed leadership and financial details

WTSBOA – David Wood – new concert hall for band festival

President Brewer – recognition of Frank Hale’s past contribution and welcomed Mike Combs, new TMEA Executive Secretary

Combs - Financial summary for 2004-05 presented; the report is filed on the TNMEA web site

Combs – report on Tennessee Musician (financial report, production schedule, and guidelines for authors were provided in hard copy) Special note: September 1 deadline for the full issue.

B. J Frost – noted, she is a member of the executive committee of the Tenn Alliance for Arts Education

Jeanette Crosswhite - State Dept of Education; Arts Academy (next year July 9-21)
President Brewer: Officers’ trip to Reston; review of the Leadership Conference. Reflections on MENC (comments from Meers, Combs, Nelba, Coleman, Lee, Hinton, and others) Brewer will keep council members posted about MENC organizational leadership and related concerns.

Efforts to gain 501c3 status of the association. Combs to establish that incorporation for the association at approximately $2,500 in legal and filing fees. (Grant dollars provided in the budget as needed.)

Distributed applications to association to perform at Southern Division conference; Deadlines noted.

Minutes of July board meeting highlighted by Brewer

President Brewer indicated that he would be the 2nd member of Tn Alliance of the Arts Education in addition to B. J. Frost.

Deadline for applications for 2006 conference noted; deadline of July 1 for performing groups is past and so noted by Meers

Intro of: Billy Stepp, new all state general chair, Mike Aymett new conference auditions chair and Dr. Nicole Robinson, new state CMENC advisor

Lunch on Thursday at the State Music Conference will be the new College Fair.

Small ensemble performances being planned as part of conference.

Concerns about job notice service. Some discussion about TMEA being able to provide listing of positions open in the state.

Break - photo of council taken

Project chair reports:

Research – Bill Lee

Gov Relations - Earl Hinton (No Child Left Behind and its effect on music programs)

Music Merchants – Marty Los News and information about NAMM

Retired Teachers/Historian Vivian Miller - 59 retired members; concerns about historical files; suggestions about binding back issues of the state magazine

CMENC State Advisor – Nicole Robinson Vision and goals: chapter membership, conference participation, and connecting with public schools.

Intro of Jared Ross, VP of State CMENC and acting collegiate representative at this meeting.

Tri-M – Carolyn Jarrett (not present)

State Music Conference – B. J. Frost Presented TMEA conference expenses; note that no charges for piano rental; reference to audio/visual rental amount; review of conference schedule; call for suggestions for clinicians for conference

All-State Chair – Billy Stepp (written report provided)
Lunch

Caucus meetings as per agenda

Meeting of the TMEA Board and a few project chairs who remained.

Caucus reports

Discussed: members’ reception at the State Music Conference- use budget item 2.220 ($400) plus funding from other sources. B. J. will investigate and report back.

The 2005-06 TMEA budget was presented to the Board for discussion. The budget (attached) had been reviewed and approved by the officers.

Following some general discussion for the good of the order, the meeting adjourned at 4:00.

Report submitted by

Michael Combs,
TMEA Executive Secretary

Council Meeting Expenses:
TMEA has $1,700 in this year’s budget for the cost of the council meeting.
The actual expenses included: $262.45 for food and $ 12.35 for copies (paid to Riverdale High School Bandboosters), paper $12, binders and msc materials $75, and mileage reimbursement of $1,417.44. Total cost was $1,779.24.