MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2008
MURFREESBORO, TN

2:45 P.M (central time)

Wilkes announced: Teleconference call set: Sunday evening, November 16 8:30 eastern; 7:30 central

Board called to order by President Wilkes

old business - printing of 2009 conference and all-state programs
    Both will continue to be produced by Combs

Mark Garey: recommended one-day registration for Friday at 1/2 cost of registration
    Discussion of various options
    Decided - To offer for Friday only a one-day registration - pre-reg $45; on sight $50

All-State jazz band auditions - concern about timing; Jereme will take care of that
    Recommended - March 2 deadline date for notification of all-state personnel

Motion by McWhirter: All-collegiate ensembles to perform at conference each year on a rotating basis at the Thursday morning opening session (rehearsing all day Wednesday) with the planned order of choir, band, and orchestra.

Cost: choir - $40 per student fee (8 singers from each school; est 120 total participants)
    Director of the students being recommended must be MENC member
    Salaries: $1500 conductor + expenses, $350 accompanist
    Jamila McWhirter will be coordinator
    Application form on website; expenses to a minimum
    Discussion about process

Motion passed unanimously

Higher ed website - Terry working on this

Discussion about scholarship contribution to the Hinton scholarship
    Several options discussed
    Details of the scholarship outlined

Meers: suggested setting aside a set amount to go to a special fund to honor people as appropriate

Wilkes: suggest something to support a student in music education
Suggestion by Wilkes: TMEA make a $500 contribution to be designated for a music education student (one time) in memory of T. Earl Hinton. Funds to come from the president’s discretionary fund
[note: although a motion was not necessary for the president to use his discretionary funds, the consensus was to support any increase necessary in the discretionary fund to provide this scholarship]

Motion: Bach to establish an on-going memorial fund.
(no action taken)
Suggestion - Rogers: need to set up a policy on managing this fund

Wilkes: review of proposal from Bill Lee to establish TMEA chair for “popular and youth music culture.”
Concerns expressed
Recommendation that we look at this again in April; perhaps have a special session at our conference on this

Note: exhibitors badges are a concern; [check with Jo Ann to be sure there is a limit to number of badges given]

Corporate membership - discussion
Recommend not taking any action - approved

Letter to the principals - discussion
Discuss more on Nov teleconference

New cycle of commissions:
To think about - straight commissions or competitions?
Discussion but no action or agreement

Combs – Reminder: deadline for fall issue is Sept 1

Information: name change from . . . . Elementary Music Education Association to . . . . General Music Education Association

Motion to adjourn
Unanimously approved

Meeting adjourned at 4:17 central time