Minutes-TMEA Spring Board Meeting-April 11, 2012

Present:
Ron Rogers, Dian Eddleman, Gary Wilkes, Frank Hale, Mike Short, Steve Taylor, Alexis Derryberry, Ken Greene, Lafe Cook, Billy Rayburn, Jamila McWhirter, Pam Wilensky, Mark Garey

President Ron Rogers:
*Welcome and Call to Order
*Introduction of Interim treasurer Frank Hale and Secondary General Music Chair-Ken Greene. Thanked Ken Greene for overseeing the tech boutique at the Conference.

Old Business
Financial Report-Frank Hale: Discussed SNC cost of $14,000. This was not budgeted. Discussion ensued pertaining to securing funds for a conference opening concert Financial report was accepted.

Conference Report-Gary Wilkes: Discussion of assistant to Gary-Josh Taylor; Mark Garey discussed the pick-up of certificates. Gary applauded the great work from the chairs being involved in selecting the sessions. Ron thanked Gary for all his work and applauded Mike Combs for coming to pick up the pieces.

All State Choral Report-Mike Short: David Butler is serving as conference and choral equipment chair; Paul Faulkner, Chattanooga Christian School assisted with providing choral risers.

All State Instrumental Report-Steve Taylor: Discussed the need for All State Instrumental Ensemble Chairs to be paid a stipend in addition to the room accommodations and the $200 expense. Jazz Band auditions were discussed.

State Chair Reports:
*Alexis Derryberry-Elementary General Music Report-Discussed the venue of First Baptist and Jeff Parker. Discussed the use of Fed Ex/Kinkos TMEA account and the lack of communication concerning this.
*Ken Greene-Secondary General Music Report-Discussed the Tech boutique and thanked Gary Wilkes for his assistance.
*Lafe Cook-Band Report-Discussed the option of continuing to work the state concert festival with incoming band chair Debbie Burton. Discussed the TBA officers and other association officers serving as reps to the TMEA Council meeting two times a year. Also discussed the need for Jazz Band Auditions to be better organized. There is concern that NAfME is anti-band. There is no band organization in the NAfME advocacy program. Dian Eddleman stated she would discuss this at NAfME national leadership assembly.
*Billy Rayburn-Choral Report-Discussed the all state screening becoming consistent throughout the three regions. The three regional Presidents met and wrote the screening procedure, headed by Billy.
*Jamila McWhirter-Higher Ed Report-Discussed All Collegiate and the conflict of it being held on Thursday with all the good choral sessions being the same day. Discussion ensued whether to keep all collegiate or not.

Presidential Report: Ron Rogers discussed the process of hiring an executive director and the review of the TMEA books by accountant, Tommy Daugherty. It was decided by the board to have the accountant handle the books regarding all tax procedures for our 501c3 organization.

New Business
Steve Taylor made the motion to pay all state instrumental and choral chairs a stipend. After discussion, Steve removed the motion and Lafe Cook seconded in regards to relook at the budget to see if this can be financed.
Discussion of new executive director
Discussed the possibility of Scott Lang-Keynote speaker for 2013. JoAnne Hood has his contact information.
Gary Wilkes motioned to adjourn.

Meeting was adjourned.

This is a draft of the minutes. Minutes have not been officially approved.
Respectfully submitted,
Dian Eddleman