



# Tennessee Music Education Association

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## TMEA COUNCIL MEETING LIPSCOMB UNIVERSITY August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 Financial Report

An accurate detailed financial report is not available at this time, since we have not received our final statement from the Memphis Sheraton Hotel. The Sheraton representative with whom we were working is no longer with the company. I share your frustration. Several contractual commitments were ignored or decreased. Action have been taken to correct this situation.

The complete budget report will be available on the [WWW.TNMEA.ORG](http://WWW.TNMEA.ORG) website ASAP. Please contact me or any Board member with any questions.

The dues and All State fees increases last year enabled us to at least break even this year. The \$18,943.00 increase in convention hall rental would have put us in the red.

Special thanks go to Brad Turner, Karen Henning, Chris Piecuch, and Darrell Evans for you dedication and work to make our conference successful. Your efforts took a tremendous financial burden off of TMEA.

I apologize for the shortage of rooms on Wed. night at conference. The contract for the hotel was signed in 2011, when we had 200 fewer All State students and limited vocal activities on Wed. night. We had 250 rooms contracted for Wed. night and the hotel could not give us additional rooms. Next year we have 520 rooms for Wed. night which should help.

There was another large group booked into our hotel on Tues. and checking out on Wed. as we were checking in. Many of them did not check out on time which left the hotel staff with little time to clean rooms. The staff worked from 8:00AM until 11:00PM on that Wed. This will not be an issue in 2015.

The unified membership renewal will make it much easier to know if your members are current with their dues. Please share this with your membership.

Questions?