# **Missouri Music Educators Association**

### Minutes

# August 18<sup>th</sup> 2012

The Board of Directors/Advisory Council of the Missouri Music Educators Association met at Tan-Tar-A Resort, Osage Beach, for the purpose of conducting official business.

President Lines called the meeting to order at 9:08 AM with the following Board of Directors/Advisory Council members present.

<b>Board of Directors:</b>	Advisory Council:	<b>District Presidents:</b>	Administrative:
Kevin Lines	Carla jo Maltas	Kevin Griffin	Paul Swofford
Gary Brandes	David Schatz	Craig Miller	Sally Hook
Rob Nichols	Cathy Coonis	Nathan Long	John Patterson
Ken Tucker	Wendy Sims	James Waechter	
Stephanie Phalp	Buddy Hannaford	Linda Krueger	Affiliated Presidents:
Vanessa Miner	Marvin Mannring	Rocky Long	Brian Reeves-MCDA
Rob Bable	Davine Davis	Ellen Seyer	Valerie Bell-MOASTA
Cheryl Cifelli		Amy Palmer	Keith Ruether-MBA
			Jeff Melsha-MOAJE

#### I. Call to Order

President Lines called the meeting to order at 9:08 AM. He outlined the agenda and detailed the format of the today's meeting.

# II. Approval of Minutes from previous meeting

Rocky Long (C. Cifelli) moved to approve the Board of Directors minutes of May 5, 2012

# III. President's Report-Kevin Lines

- a) <u>Informational items:</u> The Voting Body of MMEA includes the following; President, President- Elect, Past-President, elected Vice-Presidents, and the District Presidents. The Advisory Council and Administrative Staff does not vote.
- b) NAfME National Meeting: A recap of the NAfME National Conference which was held in Baltimore, MD. June 22-25 was presented by President Lines which included breakout sessions and other presentations concerning Music Education.

- c) <u>Southwest Division meeting</u>: President Lines and President-Elect Brandes attended the SW Division meeting which was held in Wichita Kansas
- d) 75th Annual In-Service Workshop/Conference Theme MUSIC: Key to Success

### IV. President-Elect Report-Gary Brandes:

- A. National Assembly/Music Education Week: President-Elect Brandes informed the board that he attended most of the Academies that were in session during the Conference and brought the Board up to date concerning changes in the National Honors Ensembles. Missouri has 26 total representatives: 6 Band; 6 Orchestra; 13 Choir; 1 Jazz. Applications are made online beginning Feb. 2013. The National Honors Ensembles will be moving to Nashville TN in October of 2013
- B. The following Missouri schools received a grant through the Give a note Foundation:
  - 1. Joplin High School
  - 2. Beaufort Elementary, Union School District
  - 3. Marceline High School
  - 4. Gainesville R-V School
- C. Southwest Division Meeting- President Kevin Lines and President-Elect Gary Brandes attended the NAfME Southwest Division meeting July 18&19, 2012 in Wichita, KS. John Taylor Southwest Division President presided. State reports were shared by all Presidents.

NAfME President Nancy Ditmer and NAfME Executive Director and CEO Michael A. Butera were in attendance. Updates were presented on the "Give a Note" Foundation, National Honors Ensembles and the change of Music Education Week to Nashville for 2013. Director Butera shared insight to legislative developments in Washington D.C. that affect music and education in general.

Ron Chronister, Past President Southwest Division, presented an update on the next Southwest Division Conference. Suggestion for a change in format and a change of conference location were discussed. Change of location was tabled.

On Thursday the discussion was centered on Teacher Evaluation. Updates were presented from each state. Mike Raiber, Oklahoma, led the discussion with accompanying power point presentation on related models and what "first tier" states are doing with implementation. Each state has a unique approach based on their Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and State School Boards goals.

### V. Past President Report-Rob Nichols:

- A. Budget committee report Explained the formation of the Budget Committee and its goals and objectives. A detailed report will be submitted at the May 2013 meeting.
- B. Recruiting new officers- Each District President is to submit a possible candidate name for each available office from their District. Names should be submitted to Past- President Nichols by December 1<sup>st</sup>. 2012.

# VI. Executive Secretary's Report-Paul Swofford:

- A. Procedure Reminders
- B. 2013 Room Prices (\$94.00 plus resort fees and taxes) (\$87 for all-state rate)

# **VII. Vice-President Reports**

- A. Band: Joe Parisi
  - 1. 77 groups applied for one of the 11 spots available for the band area.
    - 11 Middle School/Junior High
    - 35 High Schools
    - 4 Community Groups
    - 13 College/University
    - 14 Small Ensembles
  - 2. The following are clinic considerations for possible band clinics, "Successful Horn Tips"; "Chamber Music in your band program"; "Music Advocacy and your ability to inspire"; "Finding the best in your musicians"; "Teaching technique to Young Instrumentalist"; "A guide for Music Teachers".
- B. Choral: Ken Tucker
  - 1. Ten Choirs were selected for 2013 MMEA conference, several vocal clinics are in the works and titles will be made known shortly.
- C. College/University: Cheryl Cifelli
  - 1. Erin Freeman, Associate Conductor of the Richmond Philharmonic will serve as conductor of the All-Collegiate Orchestra.
  - 2. All Collegiate fees are to be \$120.00 per student.
  - 3. MoASTA will be putting \$500.00 towards the cost of the programs.
- D. Elementary/Early Childhood: Vanessa Miner

- 1. There were 10 applications for Elementary/Early Childhood 2013 Performance, 2 groups were selected. 1. The Junior Jay Singers, Beth Burch Director 2. Boys Choir of Springfield, Mark Lawley Director
- 2. Jill Trinka will present 4 pre-conference sessions, which include Recharge, your batteries! Great music for grades K-8; In-Tune Singing Skills: Techniques and Strategies for Getting Kids to Sing in Tune; Assessment: It's Easier than you Think; Let's Dance: Play Party Games for Everyone
- 3. There will be shared sessions with General Music

#### E. General Music: Karen Stafford

- 1. Shere Khan will be the MMEA General Music Performing group.
- 2. Brian Burnett will present a clinic on performance-based assessment, and a shared clinic with Elementary/Early Childhood. Jill Trinka will present a clinic geared towards intermediate grades and is also presenting for Elementary/Early Childhood. Jean Baker will present on creative music appreciation classes, and Mary Lynn Lightfoot will present two reading sessions.

#### F. Jazz: Rob Babel

- 1. Performing groups in jazz will be the Rock Bridge HS Jazz Ensemble, Missouri Western State University jazz band and Vocal Edge.
- 2. There will be a rhythm section clinic led by Jim Widner, Rick Haydon, and two other rhythm clinicians to be determined. Roosevelt Griffin will present a clinic geared towards middle school jazz programs. There will also be a meet the All-State Conductor session with Terrell Stanford, as well as a jazz reading session.

# G. Orchestra: Stephanie Phalp

- 1. Matt Means from Fort Hayes Kansas will be doing a clinic on preparing your students for audition, and David McCutchin from Texas will present a clinic, topic TBA. Exploring possibilities for another topic, one will include a reading session with MOASTA.
- 2. Five groups have been selected for performance, 2 high school string orchestras, 1 middle school, 1 University and 1 youth group.

### **VIII. District President Reports**

(All District Presidents presented reports and copies are attached to the official minutes as well as on file with the Executive Secretary.)

# IX. Affiliate/All-State Reports

A. MBA/Band: Linda Huck (Keith Ruether attending in place of Linda Huck)

- 1. The 44th MBA Summer Convention was held June 24-27, 2012 at the Resort at Port Arrowhead in Osage Beach.
- 2. The newest member to the MBA Hall of Fame is Herman Rekittke.
- 3. The conductor for the 2012-2013 Missouri All-State Band is Dr. Gary Green. We are also commissioning a concert opener by composer Julie Giroux.
- 4. MBA has recently entered into a partnership with MOAJE to combine the online preregistration for the Missouri All State Band and the Missouri All-State Jazz Band. These auditions will take place on Saturday, December 1, 2012 at Hickman High School in Columbia, MO.
- 5. Denis Swope is the new MBA President-Elect/All-State Band Coordinator. As most of you are aware, Diana Williams has changed jobs and is now teaching in Texas. A new Vice President will be elected in June of 2013.

### B. MCDA/Choir: Brian Reeves

- All State Conductor/Clinician- Joshua Habermann, Santa Fe Desert Chorale
  Conductor, Dallas Symphony Chorus Premiere of "Sonnet 29" by Missouri native Howard Helvey
- 2. The 2013 MCDA Summer Conference will be July 24-27 at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City

### C. MAJE/Jazz: Jeff Melsha

- Auditions for the Missouri All-State Jazz Ensemble will be at Hickman High School on Saturday, December 1, 2012. Chris Miller will be coordinating the auditions again this year. MOAJE asks that District Jazz VP's stay in communication with him regarding the registration process for eligible students.
- 2. Registration for the All-State Jazz Ensemble auditions will be through the same registration site used for All State Band Auditions. Directors will access the registration site through the MBA website. One check payable to MBA will be used to pay for all student auditions for All-State Band and All-State Jazz Ensemble.
- 3. The 2013 Missouri All-State Jazz Ensemble clinician is Terell Stafford. Mr. Stafford is also writing the commission to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the MMEA Conference. Stafford is the Director of Jazz Studies and Chair of Instrumental Studies at Temple University and sits on the Board of the Jazz Education Network.

# D. MOASTA/Orchestra-Valerie Bell

- 1. Tony Maiello is contracted to be the All-State conductor
- 2. All-State Orchestra will feature a commissioned work by Stephen Melillo
- 3. Currently working to put their magazine "The Sound Post" online, improvements to the website.
- 4. Students now may audition directly to the national office instead of going through state and regional levels

### X. Advisory Council

- A. Advancing Music Education Chair: Paul Copenhaver
  - 1. Several recommendations were presented for the Board to consider moving forward. Details will be drawn out in later meetings.
  - 2. A list of bills passed and not passed by the Missouri House was presented.
- b. Mentoring Chair: Steve Litwiller
  - 1. The key to the success of this program continues to be identification of the first year Teacher and contact as early in the school year as possible. We will again reach out to Missouri superintendents through the MSHSAA e-mail system.
  - 2. There will be an update the list of first year teachers as they are received. District presidents please make the effort to contact your first year teachers in your district. Make it a point to assign your vice-presidents to the novices.
- C. MIOSM: currently vacant
  - C. Research Chair: Wendy Sims
    - 1. The Poster session is scheduled and promises to be a very informative and enjoyable event.
    - 2. There has been discussion about making the Research Journal available through the MMEA website.
  - D. NAfME-C [Advisor and Student President]:Carla Maltas & David Schatz
    - 1. Artwork for the Thomas J. Trimborn was discussed
    - 2. NAfME-C is in the process of lining up their clinics for the upcoming conference.
  - E. Tri-M Chair: Cathy Coonis
    - 1. As of the April Tri-M report from NAfME, there were 26 activeTri-M Chapters in Missouri.
    - 2. I have contacted the Advisors of the other 25 active chapters to see if they would be willing to Do some outreach to the schools in their districts as far as starting or re-starting Tri-M chapters In schools that don't currently have them.
  - F. MSHSAA Missouri State High School Activities Association: Davine Davis
    - 1. Online Rules Reviews; Opens August 1<sup>st</sup> and closes September 7th
    - 2. 2012-13 and 2013-14 Classification Breaks for Music Classification Enrollment Breaks

5A 1021 and above

4A 478-1020

3A 270-477

2A 131-269

1A 1-130

G. Exhibitors Chair: John Patterson

Exhibits are once again expected to sell out; WIFI connection will be available in the Exhibit hall for all vendors.

- H. MSM Editor [Missouri School Music Magazine]: Marty & Sally Hook Sally Hook reported that the transfer from the previous editors, (Dee and Dona Lewis) was nearing completion. Submission dates for the Nov. *MSM* and format were discussed. Sally Hook thanked the board for their help and support.
- I. Historian: Marvin Manring
  - 1. Marvin Manring reported that he is accepting 25 year service award applications. Applications can be found on the web site.
  - 2. "PUT CLAUDE IN THE HALL" is an ongoing effort to honor Claude T. Smith in the Hall of Famous Missourians. Members and officers are encouraged to keep an open line of communication with House legislators.
  - 3. Dr. Tom Trimborn has donated a set of "Band Pioneer" sketches to the Archives.
  - 4. HISTORY VIDEO: A short historical video is being assembled to chronicle the Association's beginnings from 1934 to the present. We hope to embed or link this in the website, display at the Conference, and for any other promotional opportunities that might occur. Past efforts by Aurelia Hartenberger and Dave Goodwin will be folded into this video. Ideas for footage include short sound bites from members of all ages, along with photos and footage from any of our NINE decades as an MMEA.
  - 5. MMEA "HISTORY MUSEUM": A special room to display archived materials at the 2013 Conference, including recorded memorabilia, MSM issues, documents (framed or under plastic!), and photos of All-State groups, along with the historical DVD on screen. The fall issue of MSM includes a request to the membership to submit materials for display.
  - 6. The pre-conference issue, along with information about conference activities, will center on the locations of the conference from 1935-2013.
- J. Retired Members Chair: Buddy Hannaford
  - 1. An updated data base of retired members has been compiled and will serve as a great help in keeping our retired members informed.

#### XI. Old Business

- A. NAfME-C proposal for fundraiser
  - Action Cheryl Ceffi (K Stafford) NAfME-C to sell past MSM covers drawn and donated by Dr. Thomas Trimborn. The money from the magazine covers will be used for colligate scholarships. Order detail will be included in the MSM. CARRIED

#### XII. New Business

- A. Approval of Administrative Salaries
  - 1. ACTION: Jim Waechter (R. Nichols) moved to approve the salaries and taxes for the following Administrative Staff.

Paul Swofford, Executive Secretary

Marty and Sally Hook, MSM Editors

David Goodwin, Convention Manager

John Patterson, Exhibitor Chair

**CARRIED** 

- B. Convention Services
  - 1. President Elect Brandes read the Convention Services bids with the board. Company names were anonymous to the board, only services and cost were presented.
- C. ACTION: Jim Weachter (C Ceffeli) moved to award Shhh Production the conference recording and P. A services bid. CARRIED
- D. ACTION: Rob Bable (K Stafford) moved to award Photo Majik the conference photographer bid. CARRIED
- E. ACTION: Ellen Seyer (A Palmer) moved to award Via Media Inc. the conference video bid. CARRIED
- F. ACTION: Rocky Long (C Ceffeli) moved to award the conference piano bit to Piano Distributors CARRIED
- G. ACTION Jim Weachter (R Long) moved to raise MMEA travel reimbursement to .38 cents a mile CARRIED
- H. ACTION: Rocky Long (L Kruger) proposed that performance introductions should be between 2-3 minutes and shall not exceed 5 minutes. Penalty to be an extra year before the director can be eligible to return in performance. CARRIED
- I. ACTION: Proposal for approval of funds for upgrading of MMEA archives. Cheryl Ceffeli (R Long) moved to set aside \$2500.00 for upgrading and preserving the MMEA archives. CARRIED
- J. ACTION: Proposal to commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of MMEA with a DVD Rob Nichols (C Ceffeli) moved to investigate funding for a 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary DVD. CARRIED
- K. Approval of new appointed members. ACTION Rocky Long (N Long) moved to approve Michael Sekelsky as Technology Chair and Elaine Swofford as Assistant Executive Secretary. CARRIED
- L. ACTION: Rob Nichols (G Brandes) moved that MMEA recognize Wynne Harrell and Dee Lewis at the upcoming 75<sup>th</sup> conference as well as provide them with accommodations for their work and dedication to the Missouri Music Educators Association. CARRIED

# XII. Good of the order/ Announcements

- 1. President Lines thanked the board for their hard work and commitment to making the 75<sup>th</sup> MMEA conference the best it can be.
- 2. Amy Palmer thanked the board for their continued support of those affected by the XV. Good of the Order/Announcements

XVI. Adjourn Karen Stafford (C Ceffeli) moved for Adjournment. CARRIED

Next Meeting—Saturday, May 4, 2013 75th Annual In-Service Workshop/Conference—January 23-26, 2013

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