

Missouri Music Educators Association

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MMEA Meeting Report

Saturday, April 15, 2023

Tan-Tar-A Resort

TO: MMEA BOARD OF DIRECTORS and ADVISORY COUNCIL

FR: Brad Balog – President – St. Louis Suburban District #5

RE: April Report – 2023

**EXECUTIVE BOARD – 2022-24**

President – Brad Balog, Rockwood

Past President – Chelsea Silvermintz, Lindbergh

President-Elect – Steve Patton, Rockwood

HS Band VP – Rebecca Friesen, Kirkwood

HS Jazz VP – Dennis McFarland, Pattonville

MS Band VP – Jared Brockmeyer, Rockwood

MS Jazz VP – Lucas Alberts, Ladue

HS Orchestra VP – Tara Landers, Lindbergh

MS Orchestra VP – Kyle Alexander, Rockwood

6th Orchestra VP – Clay McKinney, Rockwood

MS Choir VP – Graeme Allen, Parkway and Karen Kaibel, Parkway

5-6 Vocal VP – Katy Moehlman, Orchard Farm

Mentor Chair, Kathy Bhat

**Administrative Personnel**

Middle School Festival Director - David Meador, Mehlville (retired)

Secretary/Treasurer - Jim Waechter, Ladue (retired)

**ST. LOUIS SUBURBAN EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR 2022-23**

All information can be found online at [www.slsmea.com](http://www.slsmea.com)

Membership is asked to update their contact information at [www.slsmea.com](http://www.slsmea.com) to assure they are receiving most current information. We accomplish this through the use of a mass email and postings/reminders in a closed Facebook group for “SLSMEA”. We have a shared goal to reach out to new and new-to-district members to encourage camaraderie and local support.

**Updates:**

1. All elementary, middle school and high school honor band, choir, and orchestra events proceeded as normal for 2022-23 for the first time since the pandemic. Audition/participation numbers are back on the rise.
2. Congratulations to Chelsea Silvermintz (candidate for MMEA President) and Jared Brockmeyer (candidate for MMEA Band VP) for being named as candidates for the MMEA 2024-2026 Executive Board.
3. District #5 Certificate of Merit, Hall of Fame, and Outstanding Music Educator Awards were decided on February 5. The following amazing music educators received awards:
   1. Maria Ellis - Certificate of Merit Award
   2. Hadley Haux - Certificate of Merit Award
   3. John Mazar - Certificate of Merit Award
   4. Peter Repp - Certificate of Merit Award
   5. Paul Holzen - Hall of Fame Award
   6. Brian Reeves - Hall of Fame Award
   7. Traci Bolton - Outstanding Music Educator Award
   8. Leigh Schaefferkoetter - Outstanding Music Educator Award