

April 1, 2023 MMEA Board of Directors Report
MO NAFME-C Advisor

This has been a productive spring for the Executive Board of the MO NAFME-C. Cooper Smith appointed Aniya Glenn as secretary heading into the 2023 MMEA In-Service. A big thank you to Cooper Smith, President (University of Missouri-Kansas City); Jessica Arnold, Vice President of Membership (Central Methodist); Gaby Moore, Webmaster (University of Central Missouri); and Aniya Glenn (William Jewell College) for their work ahead of and at the 2023 In-Service. Cooper, Jessica, Gaby, and Aniya will serve to the end of their terms on May 31, 2023. Bob Cagle (Truman State), Lillianne Winston (Truman State), and Joylyn Carter (University of Central Missouri) were elected in January at the NAFME-C Business Meeting to the President, Vice-President of Programming, and Vice-President of Membership positions respectively and I met with each of them over zoom since then to discuss preparations for them to take office on June 1. They are all excited to serve and are preparing to hit the ground running. Bob is looking for interested individuals to appoint to the secretary and webmaster positions, aiming to find people representative of various institutions across the state. Lillianne and Joylyn are working to increase the offerings of programming throughout the year and create regional connections between chapters to foster and support members.

January was a great success! In addition to the 2022-23 Executive Board, we had 19 volunteers who helped worked the registration booth at the MMEA In-Service representing Central Methodist University, Evangel University, Jefferson College, Lindenwood University, Missouri Baptist University, Missouri Southern State University, Missouri State University, Missouri Western University, Truman State University, University of Central Missouri, University of Missouri-Columbia, University of Missouri-Kansas City, and William Jewell College. There were over 250 collegiate members who attending the conference, with over 200 coming to the NAFME-C Business meeting. The new election process was successful although there were only a handful of views on each candidate's video. In the upcoming cycle, I will encourage the executive board to motivate more than three chapters to nominate candidates and increase efforts to have more chapters and members to view the videos.

On March 1, Bryson Finney offered a session to the collegiate members titled, “How Will You Show Up: Valuing What You Have to Offer.” It was well received by the chapters that attended (William Jewell College, Lindenwood University, University of Central Missouri). Finney is an exceptional educator who is the Director and Co-Founder of the *We Are Nashville Festival* that aims to build community through music. His session was inspirational and encouraging. Thank you to Brian Hartman for setting up and allowing NAFME-C to use the MMEA zoom. The incoming NAFME-C Executive Board is looking forward to the September gathering with Tri-M and the Mentor/Mentees.

Regarding the efficacy of what NAFME has to offer our collegiate members, we identified several key areas. The biggest one was the access to research, particularly available through *Music Educators Journal*, *Journal of General Music Education*, *Journal of Music Teacher Education*, *Journal of Research in Music Education*, and *Teaching Music*. These seemed important to both students and the committee alike. While the *Missouri School Music Magazine* is a valuable resource that offers great perspectives from Missouri experts, it is not peer-reviewed like the national publications and does not focus on research or new avenues of music education. Students also felt the advocacy resources were extremely valuable to them at their pre-career position; however, the committee felt that those could be easily provided by MMEA if needed. Several committee members pointed out the continual offerings of virtual sessions provided throughout the year to members that were aimed specifically towards pre-service teachers. This might be difficult to completely reproduce solely on the state level particularly as the clinicians and speakers were nationally renowned educators. While the MMEA offerings do a fantastic job of keeping students in touch with the incredible talent here, the NAFME sessions connect them with leaders across the country.

I am honored to continue my time in this position as it has been a pleasure getting to know our collegiate members and chapter advisors.

In service,

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