

WTSBOA Membership Meeting #3 Minutes

AMRO Music

May 9, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 9:36 by President, Chris Piecuch.

Motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

Treasurer's Report- balance of **-\$3,513.11**. Darrell Evans explains that we have already paid the deposit for next year's All West Clinic and that will actually be reflected on next year's expenses. The Treasurer's Report was approved.

All State Report was given by Barry Trobaugh. He expresses thanks to Brad Turner for his leadership and organization as the site chair for All State 2015. Barry also thanks members who stepped up and helped with set up, break down, audition judging and monitoring and site guides. Please help us by explaining to your parents the process for all state selection.

Band Report no report was given

Orchestra Report no report was given. Chris Piecuch announces that James Weil will be stepping down as our Orchestra Chair and commends him for his service and hard work on behalf of WTSBOA.

Jazz Report was given on behalf of Ollie Liddell. At the TMEA a jazz caucus meeting was held for the first time. It was decided to "throw out" the sight reading score for all auditions that involve visually impaired students. There are also changes to come for jazz trombone music and auxiliary percussion changes.

Advocacy Report Skip Quinn will be posting some more detailed information regarding our advocacy plan on the website soon.

Old Business

- This fall all membership renewal (WTSBOA/NAfME) will be in October.
- Karen Henning asks for people to sign up for solo and ensemble judging. She will be contacting you with her new email address.
- TBA/ASBDA state solo recital competition is looking to expand to 3 winners per region next year. That meeting will be June 6th at Freedom MS. Contact Chelsea Negray if you want to attend.
- Proposal to restructure the All West Bands by Stephen Price (president-elect). There will be 6 bands with two for grades 6-8, two for grades 9-10 and two for 11-12 grade. There will no longer be a wind ensemble. Audition music for grade 6-8 will continue using the current rotation for Jr. High. The 9-10 grade music will be the old Sr. high music by David Ryan and the 11-12 music will be the newly adopted excerpts that were used this school year. Stephen opens the floor for discussion. A motion will be made in the August meeting.

New Business

- Chris Piecuch recognizes the appointment of Barry Trobaugh as President Elect of Tennessee Bandmaster's Association.
- The WTSBOA 2015-2016 tentative calendar is proposed with a few changes needed in the registration deadline dates and the Jazz Festival date. A motion will be made at the August 15th meeting to accept the final calendar.

- Dwight Dodd proposed the following Motion #1: ***Add acoustic guitar as an instrument category to Solo & Ensemble Event. Guitar solos must meet all criteria required of brass, woodwind and percussion solos. Judges copy of solo must be in standard notation, not tablature.*** Motion made and seconded. Discussion. Dwight cites current trends in guitar education as well as 8 states that currently have guitar solo and ensemble sheets. It was suggested that the motion be amended to: ***Add acoustic guitar as an instrument category to Orchestra Solo & Ensemble Festival. Guitar solos must meet all criteria required of string solo events.*** The amendment to this motion was voted on 40 in favor and 0 opposed.
- Dwight Dodd proposed Motion #2: ***Add Guitar ensemble (large group) as a category to the WTSBOA Orchestra Festival. Guitar ensembles must meet all the criteria required of orchestra participants. The music for sight-reading will be provided by the member school that is registering a guitar ensemble. Sight reading must be mailed directly to the contest host from the composer.***

NOTE: The executive committee declared the passing of Motion #1 in violation of **Article XIV, section A. Eligibility, item 3. Wind, string, percussion excluding guitar and piano.** Dwight Dodd withdrew motion 1 and motion 2 and will re work them for the August meeting.

- A request was made for Hall of Fame nominees.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:36.