

## **WTSBOA Membership Meeting #2 Minutes All West Convention February 9, 2017**

President Stephen Price called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

The Aug. 20, 2016 Membership Meeting Minutes and Financial Report were approved as written.

### **TMEA Conference Report:**

Brad Turner – All-State in the President's Ballroom; PD sessions alternate; Exhibitors reception Thursday 4:00pm

The TMEA All-State PD Conference will at Opryland for 3 more years.

### **All-State Report:**

Barry Trobaugh: Registration opens Monday; Please check [wtsboa.com](http://wtsboa.com) for links and check All-State lists and additional percussion instruments needed this year; Participating students & alternates will need medical forms; \$250.00 late fee for forms begins Sat. March 4; The procedure for Meal Cards have been streamlined from last year, this saves about 20% on meal costs.

### **TBA Report:**

TBA members not receiving an email from Randy Box, see Barry Trobaugh immediately following the meeting. Reminders to apply for the Sweepstakes Awards

### **Band Report:**

Michael Parsons & Kayla Price thanked Rehearsal Chairs, monitors and all directors for assisting with the AW Convention Bands

### **Orchestra Report:**

Ptotia Furlow thanked Rehearsal Chairs, monitors and all directors for assisting with the AW Convention Orchestras

### **Jazz Report:**

Cameron Ross shared that Bb Changes were added to All-State Auditions this year; these changes would also be added next year added to All-West Auditions.

**Advocacy Committee:**

Skipp Quinn shared that we need new members as all the previous committee have since moved out of state.

Wants to add information on our website

**Old Business:**

TBA Concert Festival Sight-Reading Sheet: It's the same formula as the Concert Festival prepared form and is on the TBA website.

There are 8 categories on the Prepared Concert Festival Sheet with stage department as a tiebreaker, if needed.

**New Business:**

TMEA Lobbyist firm – Stephen reviewed the Lobbying Letter (which has been on our website) for the membership. To fund our TMEA Lobbyist Firm, the TN Arts Academy has pledged \$6000.00 and TMEA is asking all associates to pay \$2571.00 per association for our one year contract; Call for motion to assist Millsaps in the amount of \$2571.00 for one year. Vote was not unanimous. Questions about costs: Darrell Evans said the funds are in our account for this year. Solo & Ensemble is a good source of WTSBOA funding. Chris Piecuch shared the East & Middle are pushing for this lobbying group to represent us at the state level. Question from the floor: Are we the first state in the nation to do this? Response: No, we are following a model from Texas & Indiana among other states. Hand vote – Those opposed were counted; Motion passes

Clarification of Concert Festival Sight-Reading – If performing more than one graded selection, the highest graded classifies the entry for sight-reading. For example Grade 3 & 4 performances would mean grade 4 sight-reading. This confusion and score approval is the reason for the entry extension.

Show Band – Proposed a 2<sup>nd</sup> marching festival (Oct. 28) evening due to ACT in the morning with show band judges using TBA sheets at both September and October marching festivals. Show Bands & corps bands are welcome at both September & October festivals. A possible location for the show band marching festival would be at Haley Stadium in Memphis with college band directors judging. Both events will count toward Sweepstakes Award.

TBA State Solo & Ensemble Festival Chair Kristy White announced the West TN Solo and Ensemble Festival Winners:

*The Fifth Movement Ensemble*, Bolton HS, David Chipman & Carol Chipman Directors; *Claire Ervin Flute Solo*, Madison Academic HS, Kristy White Director; *Andrew Smith Marimba Solo*, Lexington HS, Adam Wood Director

Proposed Percussion Sight-Reading Score Changes – AW Orchestra & Band events; Sight Reading is currently 3 scores in each category (snare, xylophone & timpani); Judges must listen to all 3 performances before entering a score. Spencer Nesvick questioned the AW Jr. percussion; AW Orchestra and Band judges have suggested changing to one score for each Timpani, Snare & Xylophone.

2017-18 Calendar – Stephen reviewed calendar items; Event Caucus for rehearsal, site & event chairs. 9:00am meeting tomorrow morning, Feb. 10, for Event & Site Chairs for all remaining 16-17 Events. AW Orchestra Registration needs to be a week earlier to allow for fall breaks. Membership question: Did the participation for winds & percussion go up for Nov. Audition? David Chipman responded yes, slightly. Concert Festival deadlines will be changed to the Wednesday after AW Convention; S & E, Concert / Jazz Festival registrations can be changed too if needed.

#### **Announcements / Reminders:**

- Please monitor students, convention complaints about students' behavior during breaks
- Amro Reception Tonight
- Check calendar for deadlines
- Pick up Scores
- Barry Trobaugh needs All-State Judges
- Carol Chipman needs Memphis S & E Judges
- Reminders from State Band Chair David Chipman: Please bring groups to State Concert Festival April 27 & 28 at Austin Peay; registration opens next week link online
- Reminder from Carol Chipman to apply for TMEA 25 & 40 Year Service Award
- Announcement from Ollie Liddell: Pre-Concert Festival Adjudication Feb. 24, Begins 4:00pm Lanny Byrd, Mel Morris, John Young judges this year. \$50.00 fee

- Announcement from John Easley: All-State; Please stay at Opryland Hotel there's a \$15,000.00 penalty if we don't meet room & meal card quota
- Announcement from Dwight Dodd: Friday April 21: Jazz Festival – Open Class, middle schools, jazz combo
- Memphis Youth Symphony Program – personalized congratulation letters to AW Convention students
- Announcement from Patrick Bolton: Ictus Honor Band at Christian Brothers HS

President Stephen Price adjourned the meeting, at 7:45pm.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Carol King Chipman, DMA  
Recording Secretary, WTSBOA*