

# WTSBOA Membership Meeting #4

## Amro Music Store

### May 14, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 by President, David Chipman.

A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes from **Meeting #3 on February 3, 2011** as they are posted on the website. The motion was seconded and approved.

The **Treasurer's Report** was given by Darrell Evans with a balance of \$2,252.36 and \$30,724.25 in reserve. A motion was made and seconded and the report was approved as read.

## TMEA Conference/All-State Report

Karen Henning gives a summary of what was discussed at TMEA conference during the caucus meeting.

- It was decided that each region will be required to purchase sight reading music for Concert Festival in 2012.
- The process will begin for combing all three regions Music List's to make a State List. The grade levels will range from grade 2 through 6. WTSBOA's current 1 through 5 pieces on the approved list will be moved "up" a level to fit in with the state grade levels. We will still be able to submit pieces to be added to our local lists. Masterworks that are 20 minutes or longer in length can be submitted for approval and will fulfill the requirement for two pieces for festival.
- Proposal was made for the addition of an All State ninth grade band and ninth grade string orchestra. Discussion at August TMEA board meeting.
- All State Conference in 2012 and 2013 will be in Chattanooga
- All State Band 2012 clinician is Dr. Ray Kramer and 2013 is Dr. Jerry Junkin

Karen asks members to submit requests and suggestions for All State Clinicians to her.

Barry Trobaugh comments that the 2014 and 2015 All State Convention will be in Memphis. Ron Rogers TMEA president and Dian Eddlemon, TMEA President-elect both visited our All West event and were blown away by our facility.

## "First to the Top" Evaluation Model

Barry Trobaugh summarizes some of the main points of the newly adopted TAP state model. He suggested we get online and research the model. It will mean 6 evaluations per year by your administrators. It will mean less paperwork for teachers and more for administrators. The focus is on improving how we structure our class time. Please use the "contact us" tab if you have any questions for Barry. Dru Davison comments that Memphis city schools will be adapting the D.C. hybrid model for evaluations. 50 % is classroom evaluation and 35% is student growth.

## Past President's Report

Brad Turner encourages the membership to be more involved in association and state wide events. He commends and congratulates orchestra and band directors from the following schools that took ensembles to TMEA State Concert Festival: Cordova HS, Central HS, and White Station HS. Please submit recordings to be a performance ensemble for the 2012 TMEA Convention. Please sign up to be a mentor and remind director's in your area about association deadlines. We need to help each other. A new version of our website has gone online and has been rebuilt and restructured by Susan Spain. Thanks to Susan for taking this on. Many thanks to our original webmaster Hilda Young who put us on the map with the website she developed for WTSBOA she has contributed so much toward improving how we communicate with each other.

## Band Report

Karen Henning reports that the All West Clinicians secured so far for 2012 are Wind Ensemble- Dr. Paula Crider, Louis Liddell, Dr. Reginald McDonald, Lafe Cooke and Gavin Smith.

## Orchestra Report

James Weil reports on All West Clinicians for 2012. For Jr. Strings-Mr. Hernandez and possibly Dr. Bruce Chamberlain for Sr. Orchestra. He hopes to have these names finalized by the August meeting.

## Jazz Report

Jeff Huddleston thanks Rhendle Millen for hosting Jazz Festival. He comments that the professional recordings were great! He is still working on All West Clinicians for 2012. Brad Turner commends Jeff on his organization of the Jazz Festival event and comments that the new format is very useful as an educator especially the professional adjudicator critique session. Tom Hay will be submitting dates for the Jackson Jazz Festival at the August meeting.

## Old Business

A committee met during the AW clinic to address concerns for AW tryout band scale selection and monitoring procedures. Tim and Deana Graham co-chaired this committee with 12 other directors serving on the committee. Deana comments that the meeting was very positive and several solutions were offered for these areas of concern.

- For monitoring procedures it was concluded that  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the complaints arose because of inconsistency in how the membership implemented these procedures. The only recommendation was to have a monitor training session prior to auditions. The second recommendation was to post the updated procedures prior to try outs for members to review.
- The scale rotations need to be consistent throughout the instrumentation. The committee suggested playing all 12 scales within a time limit using the circle of fourths. Another suggestion was to come up with a set of 3 rotations and on the audition day draw which one will be used for the entire day.
- Sight Reading excerpts are not consistent throughout the instrumentation. It was suggested that we purchase a stop watch for each room.

The revised monitoring procedures and the minutes from this committee meeting will be posted on the web site. Karen Henning thanks the Graham's for chairing this committee.

## **New Business**

Phil Hughes proposes that All West try outs are hosted at least 3 years at each site before it is moved. The motion is seconded. After discussion, Phil requests to table the motion until August.

David Chipman explains that the 2011-2012 calendar is final except for a few deadline dates will be adjusted. A motion is made to approve the WTSBOA 2011-2012 calendar as presented. **The calendar is approved.**

Announcements were made and the meeting was adjourned at 10:36