

WTSBOA Membership Meeting Minutes

Meeting #2 Liberty HS

November 16, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 by Karen Henning.

A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Darrell Evans with a balance of \$20, 512.35 and a reserve of \$19, 439.88. The report was approved.

NAfME Report

Chris commends all of the West TN bands that performed at the NAfME Conference and reminds us that we need small ensembles to volunteer to perform for All State in the Exhibit Hall.

Tennessee Bandmaster's Report

Chelsea Negray reports that she is still working to get the WTSBOA members added to the TBA email list. We will not pay our membership fees until this happens.

TMEA/All West Conference Report

Brad Turner reminds us of the All West program deadline to reserve ad space for your school by Dec. 6th. Ad forms are on the AW Convention tab.

All State will be in Memphis April 9-12, 2014. Brad asks for WTSBOA membership to help with convention set up on Tuesday and Wednesday with helping direct directors and students to audition rooms and rehearsal areas. Kurt Whalum will be the featured performer for the opening and Dr. Tim will give the keynote address. The Dallas Brass will also be performing. Several West TN. Groups will be performing at TMEA. Brad says we will do final planning at the February AW Conference.

Band Report

Carol Chipman reports that Jr. and Sr, Band chairs are in place and working on preparation for the clinic by streamlining registration and percussion check in.

Orchestra and Jazz Report

No report at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Tax exempt** status is in the works. We have applied for a tax ID # through TMEA for a \$750 fee. We retain control of our money.
- **Music Education Advocacy Committee** has been formed by TMEA. **Chuck Wright will serve as the representative for WTSBOA. Terri Green, Skip Quinn and Darrell Evans will serve as a WTSBOA Advocacy Team.**
- **The Lifetime Achievement Award** will have 2 additions to the nominees for 2014.

Motion made by Ben Martin to nominate Nancy Mathesen-**Motion passes.** Motion made by Barry Trobaugh to nominate Tommie Arendale-**Motion passes.** The 2014 inductees will be: Jackie Thomas, Leeburn Harris, John Jones, Nancy Mathesen and Tommie Arendale.

- TMEA 25 or 40 year service awards need to be submitted by the applicant only. Please submit nominees for administrator, young educator and friends of music education.
- The tabled proposal from the August meeting Article VIII, Sect 1, item A. numbers 1 and 2 was re-read as a motion:

A. Eligibility shall be limited to:

1. **Grades 9-12 (Ninth graders may audition for senior and junior high band).**
2. **If a wind/percussion ensemble exists at a specific school, then only the director of that ensemble may send wind and percussion players to audition. In addition, if an orchestra or string orchestra exists at a specific school, then only the director of that ensemble may send string players. The student must also be fully enrolled and attending the same school.**

The motion fails.

- The new All State Handbook student eligibility requirements encourage educators to work together for the good of the student.

NEW BUSINESS

- Motion was made: to reduce the number of yearly meetings from 4 down to 3. Vote was counted Yes: 22, Oppose: 4. **Motion passes. This needs to be voted on 2 more times to make a constitutional change**
- Motion was made: to **form a committee** to discuss a return to the standard repertory music for the All West High School Band auditions and selection of a music rotation selection. **Motion passes.**

Chris Piecuch discusses options for where to get music and the committee will submit a formal proposal for the February meeting.

- Clarification that a piccolo player has been added for each of the senior bands and orchestra, Audition Music is posted on the website.
- Please remind your students about the importance of filling out a decision form for auditions and leave them at the registration table.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:19.