

VBODA GENERAL MEETING - November 14, 1980 - VMEA Convention, John Marshal Hotel, Richmond

Attendance by Districts: I - 4; II - 6; III - 2; IV - 1; V - 7; VI - 14; VI - 1; VI - 2;
IX - 5; X - 1; XI - 1; XII - 0

Meeting called to order by President Schoemmel

Minutes from Apr 19, 1981 accepted

Treasurers report read and accepted

President of VMEA Harriet Heath welcomed the organization to the convention and stated that audition tapes for consideration in next year's State Convention must be recieved by May 1, 1981.

State Supervisor of Music Paul Sanger presented the idea of a state-wide summer band camp and recieved membership support by a show of hands. He will persue the idea and return at a future meeting with more concrete plans for the consideration of the membership.

The Executive Board proposed that a study committee be formed to present to the membership the feasibility of the inclusion of a Marching Band Festival(s) and the possibility of sanctioning non-VBODA sponsored festivals; and forming guidelines for such festivals. The committee is to report at the April, 1981 meeting.

Motion by Harold Ford, seconded by Scott Lambert.

PASSED

2. Treasurer David Solomon stated that the reporting for all events be done by the chairman of the event taking and duplicating the forms from the back of the Manual. Forms for VBODA sponsored events will not be sent out this year.
3. Motion by Ron Collins, seconded by Jim Page that at all VBODA meetings, each participant be carded for authorization as member in good standing of MENC.

PASSED

4. Motion by Scott Lambert, seconded by Bennett Lentzner. On forms for registration sent to schools for VBODA sponsored events, a statement to the effect, "students must be registered by an adult; that adult to accompany the student(S) and remain for the duration of the event. That adult should be the student(s)' director or an adult appointed and approved by the director and school principal, or the student(s) will not be allowed to participate in that event." A statement signed by the director and his principal to be required upon return of the registration form.

PASSED

(The VMEA Handbook states the following which applies to all events sponsored by the VBODA: "To be eligible for a VMEA sponsored event, a student must be accompanied by his director or other adult officially designated by the school as chaperone. It will be the duty of the host chairman to notify the proper school officials when these conditions are not met.")

5. Suggestion by the Executive Board to persue some sort of Honors Band to be included in the State Convention schedule. The membership showed a lack of interest on this suggestion.

6. The executive Board recommended that the Guest Conductors for the All-State groups be informed as to the instrumentation of the groups and that he pick music which will utilize all of the selected participants.
 7. The executive Board recommended that a Constitutional change be made in Article II Section 1, that the office of Vice-President be changed to that of President-Elect
- Motion by Ed Altman, seconded by Steve King.

PASSED

8. Sid Berg gave an explanation of what goes into producing the Manual with detailed pictures, files and records, and where and how the music is stored. The ruling of the Norfolk City Attorney as to the ownership of the music reviewed for the Manual was read into the record. It simply states that according to the publishers letters, it was their intent that they give the music unconditionally to the Norfolk Public Schools. The Executive will secure another opinion on this matter.

The following are those changes proposed by Sid Berg to the Manual:

- a. The price for non-participants for securing the Manual be increased from \$10.00 to \$12.50, and those participants who wish additional copies of the Manual be charged \$6.00 instead of the existing \$4.50.

Moved by Marvin Lockett, seconded by Gene Owens.

PASSED

- b. Page 3, Section 3. Duties of the Manual Committee:
 - a. the words "and any other" be inserted after Assistant Manual Editor
 - b. no change
 - c. the words "any other specialized editors" be inserted after Assistant Manual Editor
 - d. no change
 - e. added paragraph: "Music sent to the Manual Editor or any other specialized editors by publishers on a complimentary basis and stored within the buildings of the school system in which they are employed are to become the property of that school system."

Moved by Jim Page, seconded by Calvin Swart.

PASSED

- c. Page 5, Out of Print Compositions
The new regulation to read and become effective with the 1982 District Festivals:
"Any composition which has been listed in any previous VBODA Manual and is no longer listed because the publication is out of print, may be used providing the director provide proof that the composition has been listed by attaching a photo copy of the page from the manual in which the composition has been listed with the entrance application sent to the district festival chairman. The director should indicate the edition year of the Manual used."

Move by Jim Wampler, seconded by Marvin Lockett.

PASSED

d. Page 5, Procedures

Delete first paragraph and replace with:

"Each of the participating band and orchestra directors in the VMEA/VBODA District Music Festival will be required to select one of the two options listed below. The option may differ for more than one group entered from the same school. The option selection for each participating group must be made before November 1, preceding the event so the District Chairman can notify the President of VBODA no later than November 15, whether the entire District will accept Option I or which members of the District will select Option II. Once the decision has been made, the director cannot change his selection."

Option : Concert only. No change

Option II: Concert plus Sight-reading. Delete five lines on page 5 and five lines to the period on page 6 and replace with:

"Each director will decide on an individual basis whether his group will participate in sight-reading. Those who do not wish to participate in sight-reading will follow the regulations of Option I: Concert only, and select three numbers from the approved list. Those directors who wish to use Option II: Concert plus Sight-reading, will follow the following regulations: the director will select two numbers from the approved lists appearing in this Manual. No composition shall be prepared and entered by the high school band/orchestra in a Virginia District Festival for three years preceding the current Festival. (no composition may be repeated within four years) Elementary and Junior High Schools may not repeat a selection for two years preceding the current Festival. Orchestra directors may select one number for full orchestra and one number for string orchestra if they enter as a full orchestra."

Delete second paragraph on Page 6 and add:

"In addition to the two concert selections and the warm-up, each participating band/orchestra shall be required to sight-read. The sight-reading selection shall be newly published material, graded approximately two levels below the selected grade, based upon the concert selections from the Manual, of the participating band/orchestra."

Delete third paragraph on page 6 and add:

"The District Instrumental Chairperson is responsible for notifying all participating festival participants in his/her district of a meeting at which time they will select their individual option for their group. The district chairperson must notify the VBODA President of the option selected for each participating group in their district (Option I or II) no later than November 15."

Delete fifth paragraph on page 6 and add:

"Each District who has some directors who select Option II will be responsible for the cost of the additional adjudicator and the purchase and disposition of the sight-reading music and must take this into consideration when establishing a Festival Budget. (The District may sell the music after the Festival) Unsold music may be given to the host school or disposed of in any manner suitable to the majority of the directors of that district."

Moved by Scott Lambert, seconded by Jim Pace

PASSED

- e. Motion by Harold Ford, seconded by Leonard Crocker that each school be charged a one time fee of \$30.00 for the current VBODA Manual with the procedure of collection, distribution, and ordering Manuals to be developed by the Executive Board and the Manual Editor.

PASSED

9. Introduction of the VBODA Officers. Plea for help from Districts for their concerns and problems. Thanks to Ed Altman for his term as President.
10. Discussion of the development of a score library(s) which would be available for membership use.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Warren Redhaer, Supervisor of Music in Yorktown asked to have the All-Virginia Band to participate in the Yorktown Bicentennial in October of 1981. It was decided that once provided for one community, it would be difficult to refuse others. The Yorktown group should proceed on their own. VBODA will not lend its name to such a venture.
2. Motion by Agnes Whitener, seconded by Scott Lambert that all VBODA General meetings be held in the evening of a school day or on a Saturday in order that all members throughout Virginia who wish can attend.

PASSED

3. Motion by David Mills, seconded by Steve King that changes to the Manual may be made in the procedures of VBODA in a manner consistent with Article VI, Section 1, as it appears in the edition of the VBODA Constitution as revised April 1, 1978.

DEFEATED

4. Motion by David Mills, seconded by Barry Tucker that a co-mittee of the VBODA membership be formed to recommend changes in the VBODA Manual, and to be presented to the membership in the April 1981 meeting.

PASSED


Committee to be Harold Ford, Steve King and Jim Meredith.

5. Motion by Dave Solomon, seconded by Ron Collins that the Vice-President (or President-Elect) be given the power of Parliamentarian.

PASSED

6. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted


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Secretary, VBODA