

VBODA GENERAL MEETING  
December 7, 1985  
Richmond Marriott

Attendance by Districts: I-5; II-5; III-5; IV-5; V-8; VI-4;  
VII-4; VIII-1; IX-4; X-4; XI-7; XII-3.

The meeting was called to order at 2:40 by President Bly

Minutes from the April meeting were approved.

The Treasurers Report was accepted.

#### Nominating Committee Report

The nominating committee presented the following slate for officers for 1986-88:

President Elect:	Clyde Hughes, Hermitage H. S. Steve King, William Byrd H. S.
Secretary:	Diana Love, Blacksburg H. S. Debbie Myers, Oakton H. S.
Treasurer:	Jim Hines, York H. S. Mike Kirby, Great Bridge H. S.

The floor was opened for additional nominations.  
Motion by V. Tornello, seconded by D. Williams to accept the slate of officer candidates as proposed by the nominating committee. Passed

#### OLD BUSINESS

##### ALL-VIRGINIA

Auditions:	JMU, February 22, 1986
Site:	Tabb High School, April 4, 5, 6, 1986
Conductors:	Band - Dick Floyd, Texas Orchestra - Robert Gerle, Baltimore

President Bly encourages Orchestra Directors to bring names to the Spring Meeting to expand the list of guest conductors.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Board Recommendation No. 1 - The Board recommends that the next Manual be dedicated to Sharon Hoose, former President of VBODA. Francis McBeth will be asked to compose a work in Hooses' honor. The work will be premiered at the 1987 All-Virginia Band with McBeth conducting. Motion to accept by R. Sanger, seconded by R. Spiers. Passed

Walt Pittman indicated that the VMEA Executive Board was pleased with thus action and could possibly lend some financial assistance to aid implementation.

Harold Ford, NBA State Chairman was recognized to present the NBA CITATION OF EXCELLENCE to Scott Lambert, VBODA President-Elect.

### VMEA

President Bly advised the membership that the VMEA non-member participation fee will rise to \$25.00 per event beginning January 1, 1986. He pointed out the value of the \$43.00 MENC/VMEA dues.

Discussion was held as to the suitability of the Richmond Marriott for the VMEA inservice conference. Mention was made of interest by the elementary and college sections to changing the date of the conference to spring. Verbal commitments have been made at the Richmond Marriott and Hotel Roanoke for December 4, 5, 6, 1986.

Motions by S. Tester, seconded by R. Mellis, "I move that the 1986 VMEA Conference be held at the Richmond Marriott Hotel. It is centrally located in the state and is a nice facility." Passed

### Sightreading

A roll call of Districts who plan to sightread at District Band and Orchestra Festival was held.

### Manual

Board Recommendation No. 2 - The Board recommends that schools must show proof that the \$30.00 manual fee has been paid before the school will be allowed to perform at either the District Band and Orchestra Festival or Solo and Ensemble Festival. Motion to accept by V. Tornello, seconded by R. Spiers. Passed

Board Recommendation No. 3 - The board recommends that the membership empower the Board to explore a more economical means of publication for the next manual. Motion to accept by D. Kosco, seconded by J. Dougert. Passed

Richard Sanger was appointed to chair a committee to study the clarification of student eligibility requirements for VBODA events. The committee will report at the Spring Meeting .

### VMEA Executive Director

Motion by S. Schoonover, seconded by H. Ford. "VBODA express a strong recommendation to the VMEA Executive Board to create and fill the position of Executive Director." Passed

### VMEA General Meeting

Motion by S. Schoonover, seconded by H Ford. "VBODA requests a general meeting of the VMEA membership at the 1986 conference, to promote a more unified approach to saving music education in our schools." Passed

## Recognition of Convention Assistance

Max Hahn of Douglas Freeman H. S. was recognized for his outstanding assistance with the Logistics of the conference. All participants extend a well deserved - THANKS MAX!

## Marching Band Festival

Report on Marching Band Festival by Chairman Don Williams. This years event finished financially in the back. Williams reported a balance of \$5,642.94 in the Marching Band Festival account.

President Bly explained that the revised State Marching Band Festival Committee Report will be published in notes as soon as possible after this meeting. Some minor typographical errors are still being corrected.

Board Recommendation No. 4 - The Board recommends that the Marching Band Festival Committee report be accepted, as revised at the April 1985 General Meeting, with the exception of line 18 under Festival Host Responsibilities: "Provide two escorts (one adult and one student) for each participating band." Motion to accept by S. Schoonover, seconded by D. Williams. Defeated 19-10

D. Kosco questioned the failure to use a recap sheet for this years event. President-Elect Lambert explained this was simply an error which resulted from the uncertainty of some issues at the Spring Meeting. A recap sheet will be provided to all 1985 participants.

Motion by D. Kosco, seconded by D. Lang. "Accept revised report of State Marching Band Festival Committee with two corrections: 1) A recap sheet with all scores be given to all Bands (A, AA, AAA, AAAA); 2) Strike line 18 Host Responsibilities, "one adult and one student." Passed-unanimous.

\* \* \* \* \* A MANUAL CHANGE. FINAL VOTE. \* \* \* \* \*

President Bly provided a brief description of the results of the Marching Band Festival Survey. The results of the Survey produces little clear information regarding the participants wishes. The results from the participants responses are as follows:

- 62% - want changes.
- 57% - wish the Festival to be held at 1 or 2 central sites the last Saturday in October.
- 69% - wish Festival to continue with ratings and placement.
- 61% - are against removing recognition of Bands and Auxilaries
- 58% - like rating format of I, II, III, IV, V.
- 61% - Prefer ratings of I, II, III.
- 83% - want Festival scheduling to continue as now being

done.  
want flexible scheduling based on the distance traveled.  
want procedures to be reviewed only once every three years.  
Believe all VBODA members should be able to vote on Festival Procedures.  
Believe that only participating Directors should vote on Festival Procedures.

Board Recommendation No. 5 - The Board recommends that the State Marching Band Festival be held at two central sites on two days. Bands will be assigned to sites by class: site one - Class A & AA; site two - Class AAA & AAAA. Every attempt will be made to secure sites which are central. This recommendation is based on the Boards' concern for the fairness of the evaluations received by Class A & AA bands in the recent events. Motion to accept by D. Lang, seconded by D. Kosco. Passed 28-1

\* \* A MANUAL CHANGE, SECONDED VOTE REQUIRED AT APRIL MEETING \* \*

Motion by J. Lundsford, seconded by G. Markham, "That the State Marching Band Festival become a Festival, not a contest." Passed 22-4

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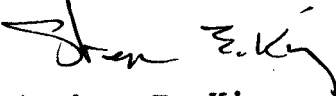
Motion by D. Brown, seconded by R. Joyner, "I move that VBODA consider printing in the Manual an interpretation of ratings for the Marching Band Festival. This interpretation is to be separate from the concert interpretation." Passed

#### Standards of Quality

Motion by J. Casagrande, seconded by D. Kosco. "That VBODA develop a plan of action immediately to lobby for the Statewide Planning Commission to remove the inflexibility of the new "Standards of Quality". Passed

Meeting adjourned at 4:47.

Respectfully submitted,



Stephen E. King  
Secretary