

VBODA GENERAL MEETING

APRIL 12, 1985

NORTH STAFFORD HIGH SCHOOL

Attendance by Districts: I-10; II-4; III-1; IV-2; V-4; VI-4; VII-2; VIII-3;  
IX-10; X-7; XI-12; XII-3; College-0.

The meeting was called to order by President Bly at 1:41 pm.

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

In the absence of the Treasurer, a copy of the Treasurers report was distributed to the members present. The Treasurers report was accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

MANUAL CHANGE: Final reading. "Due to the unavailability of qualified piano accompanists in the elementary schools, elementary school (grades 1-6) directors of string orchestras may use an adult piano accompanist for festival performances for music in Grades I-IV when the piano accompanists part is not a direct duplication of the instrumental part." Motion by S. Schoonover, seconded by Tornello. PASSED

\*\*\*\*\* THIS IS A MANUAL CHANGE \*\*\*\*\*

NEW BUSINESS

Bly expressed thanks to All-Virginia hosts John Easley, Cindy Ross and Ken Lipscomb for their fine organization and hospitality.

VMEA Dates 1985-86

The dates for VMEA activities will be published in the September issue of the VMEA NOTES.

VMEA Convention Dates and Performance Groups

The VMEA Inservice Conference will be held December 5-7, 1985 at the Marriott in Richmond.

Bly encouraged groups to contact him if they wish to perform. Suggestions for clinicians and topics were also encouraged.

String Representative on Executive Board

Debbie Myers was appointed to be the String Representative on the VBODA Executive Board.

ALL-VA. Band and Orchestra Site 1986

The site for the 1986 All-Virginia Band and Orchestra will be Tabb HS. This is a change from the last publication of the minutes in NOTES.

All-Va. Auditions Site, 1986

James Madison University will be asked to host the 1986 auditions.

A discussion was held concerning the mailing of information and the problem of directors failing to provide letters from their principals explaining their absence from both auditions and the event. The membership encouraged the enforcement of the regulations governing participation.

Lambert stressed that every effort is made to place audition information in the hands of each director in the state.

All-Va. Conductors List-Orchestra

Bruce Hannon, Postland, Me.  
Emil Raab, Bowling Green U.  
Robert Gerie, University of Maryland-Baltimore  
Frederick Ockwell, Northwestern University  
Dennis Layendecker, U.S. Air Force Strings  
James Ogle, North Carolina Symphony  
Philip Spurgion, Florida State University

All-Va Conductors List - Band

Francis McBeth, Ouachita Baptist College  
Arnald Gabriel, George Mason University  
Jim Keene, University of Illinois  
Jim Curnow, University of Illinois  
Gary Garner, East Texas State  
Mark Kelly, Bowling Green University

Sightreading Procedures

Motion by W. Pittman, seconded by D. VanDevender, "I move that a committee be appointed to make recommendations, to be included in the VBODA Manual, regarding guidelines for specific procedures for bands/orchestras to follow during the sightreading portion of District Festival."

This procedure was developed in 1983. The procedure was to have been included in the new manual, but, was inadvertently omitted. The procedure will be printed in the September issue of NOTES.

Motion by D. Love, seconded by J. Meredith, "Sightreading for high school be 1 level below classification, 2 levels below for junior high." DEFEATED.

Motion by H. Cheilek, seconded by L. Casey, "That a representative of the orchestra directors be consulted before final approval of the orchestra program for all-Virginia Orchestra." PASSED

(Provision is made for selection of music as part of the All-Virginia Chairman responsibilities. See page A24-25, numbers 4, 6, and 11, VBODA Manual)

Motion by L. Casey, seconded by M. Trowbridge, "That students be provided with music prior to the All-State Orchestra event. This might be best organized by providing a set of parts to each Regional Orchestra to distribute in that region." Motion WITHDRAWN

STATE MARCHING BAND FESTIVAL

Medals

The Executive Board is continuing to plan for the development of a medal for the State Marching Band Festival.

Motion To Change Format of the State Marching Band Festival

Bly explained that the motion to remove placement awards from the State Marching Band Festival was a constitutional change, requiring a two-thirds majority approval, among the members present. The vote on the motion was 15 for 9 against. A majority vote would have been 16. Therefore, the motion is DEFEATED.

In the interim, a committee was established to provide guidelines for operation of the festival without placement awards. The work of this committee will be incorporated and adopted as is possible.

Lambert reminded the membership that approval of the committee report is a manual change requiring a two-thirds majority of the members present, which were recorded to be 33.

Motion by S. Schoonover, seconded by L. Dye, "I move to accept the entire committee report as presented as rules and regulations for running the State Marching Band Festival." DEFEATED 6-9

Motion by J. Casagrande, seconded by P. Ironmonger, "To accept the contest committees' report on "Festival Host Responsibilities". PASSED 24-0

Motion by D. Williams, seconded by V. Tornello, "To allow the Festival Chairman to implement as many of Festival Chairman, Host Responsibility and Site Coordinator procedures as possible for 1985." TABLED

- Motion by D. Kosco, seconded by J. Casagrande, "Accept committee report regarding Festival Chairman Responsibilities VBODA Marching Band Festival." DEFEATED 14-16.
- Motion by V. Tornello, seconded by D. Williams, "Change item #10 on Festival Chairman Responsibilities to retain 100% of net profits and accept remainder of responsibilities." PASSED 26-0
- Motion by D. Kosco, seconded by M. Layland, "Move to accept committee rules for Site-Coordinator for VBODA Marching Festival, with amendment to #3 to read, 'be responsible, in conjunction with Festival Chairman.....'. PASSED 25-0
- Motion by L. Dye, seconded by R. Joyner, "I move to eliminate #1 under General and accept the rest of General as recommended by the Committee." PASSED 23-0.
- Motion by M. Hahn, seconded by D. Vita, "Pass as written that the 'Size Classification' will remain the same as has been followed the last two years." PASSED 25-0
- Motion by L. Dye, seconded by R. Joyner, "I move to accept the date portion of the Marching Band Committee report." PASSED 23-0
- Motion by M. Hahn, seconded by D. Vita, "To pass Fees section as stated in committee recommendations." PASSED 26-0
- Motion by V. Tornello, seconded by D. Williams, "To accept the timing section as proposed." PASSED 24-0
- Motion by S. Schoonover, seconded by J. Casagrande, "Move to accept 'Rating System' as written in the report." DEFEATED 14-16
- Motion by L. Dye, seconded by S. Miles, "I move to accept the Adjudicators section of the committee report, but, with 6 judges, 2 music, 2 marching, 2 overall." DEFEATED 11-19
- Motion by V. Tornello, seconded by D. Williams, "Amend, Adjudicators section, #4 - state - will consist of active and current band directors, and amend, #2, to use 6 judges: 2 music, 2 marching, 2 overall." DEFEATED 17-12
- Motion by D. Gilmore, seconded by J. Cooper, "Add 'Festival Host' to FEES, No. 2." DEFEATED 26-2
- Motion D. VanDevender, seconded by V. Tornello, "I move that we accept the Entry Rules and Deadlines as stated in the report by the committee with the change that a cross-over should only be allowed in an extenuating circumstances and VBODA President makes the final decision with consultation of the Board." PASSED 22-0
- Motion by V. Tornello, seconded by D. Williams, "Amend Penalties: Violation of festival rules will result in a 10 point penalty for each violation off the final score." DEFEATED 17-13
- Motion by S. Schoonover, seconded by L. Dye, "A recap sheet be made which includes only final ratings of I, II, III. This would be the only published recap sheet. The 1st, 2nd and 3rd place bands will be determined by the tablator & site coordinator based on highest scores. No numerical rankings will be posted or announced." PASSED 24-6.
- Motion by C. Torian, seconded by W. Powell, "The VBODA makes a position statement that no school band or orchestra in the state of Virginia is qualified to boast of any championship title such as 'State AA Marching Band Champion' or similar title other than that of 'VBODA Honor Band' should that status be earned through approved VBODA procedures." PASSED 30-0

Motion by L.Dye seconded by S. Schoonover, "I move to empower the Executive Board to add a copyright disclaimer to the VBODA Manual and/or prohibit audio or visual recording of VBODA events according to legal council." PASSED 30-0

Marching Band Adjudicators List

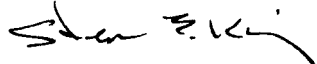
The current list of adjudicators was reviewed. Directors were encouraged to add to and delete names from the list. Don Williams will use the list to secure adjudicators for the 1985 festival.

HONOR BAND Placques

Motion by S. Schoonover, seconded by D. Gilmore, "That Honor Band placques must be presented to the so-honored bands at an extremely appropriate function, i.e., the bands' school board meeting, or other VERY PUBLIC meeting." PASSED

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted



Stephen E. King  
VBODA Secretary