

VBODA GENERAL MEETING

November 21, 1987

Radisson Hotel

Alexandria, Va.

Attendance by Districts: I-5, II-2, III-5, IV-3, V-7, VI-7, VII-4, VIII-6, IX-9, X-7 XI-8, XII-7.

Meeting called to order at 2:30 pm by President Lambert.

Roll call of district instrumental representatives:

Districts I, II, III, V, VI, VIII, X, XI, XII
representatives present.

Scott Lambert presented Old Dominion Band and Chorus with a plaque and certificate from VBODA thanking them for their performance at the VMEA Conference. Carol Zeisler accepted on behalf of Old Dominion.

The treasurer's report was presented and accepted. Hines stated that the books were audited in June for 1986-87.

Lambert explained to the membership that the format of the business meeting would begin with Orchestra business, then Orchestra and Band business, and would conclude with Band business. Members were asked to vote only those issues which applied to their programs.

ORCHESTRA BUSINESS

Clarification of Regional Orchestras: S. Lambert reported that District IX had petitioned the VMEA to pull out of the Northern Regional Orchestra and have one in their area. This was approved at the June meeting of VMEA. Lambert said that he met with the 12 string teachers at the VMEA Leadership Conference about this matter. As a result of this meeting the Regional Orchestras will go from 3 to 4 as follows:

<u>Formerly</u>	<u>Now</u>
Northern Va. Region	Northern Regional
	North Central Regional
Western Regional	South Central Regional
South Eastern Regional	Eastern Regional

Stafford County has been pulled out of the Western Regional and put in the same Regional as District IX. The change in the number of regional orchestras will result in more students being able to audition for the All-Virginia Orchestra.

2. String Representative: S. Lambert thanked Debbie Meyers for the fine job she has done as the String Representative and for the many activities she organized for the VMEA Conference. Lambert stated that D. Meyers' term will end this year and a new representative will be

appointed. Duties of the String Representative include:
(a) attend VBODA executive board meetings, (b) attend VMEA executive board meetings as ex-officio member, (c) resource person for information regarding string orchestra and orchestra related activities, (d) coordinate and organize string auditions for All-Virginia Orchestra, (e) participate in conference planning for VBODA string related activities (clinics), (f) participate on committees as called for by the presidents of VMEA and VBODA, (g) be responsible and complete tasks! Names submitted for consideration to serve as string representative were: Dan Lind-Walker Middle School, Charlottesville, Hazel Cheilek-Jefferson-Science Tech High School, Fairfax Co., Holladay Sanderson-Fairfax High School, Fairfax, and Gregory Barnes-Lake Taylor Middle School, Virginia Beach. Lambert asked if anyone else interested in serving in this position to please let him know.

Concerns of Orchestra Directors: Motion made by Larry Casey "That each district which has a string program have a string representative either elected or appointed by the Instrumental Representative of that district."
Motion seconded by Debra Trowbridge. Motion PASSED.

ORCHESTRA AND BAND BUSINESS

1. All-Virginia Band and Orchestra: Event will be held at Charlottesville High School on April 8-10, 1988.
 - (a) Conductors will be: Orchestra-Bruce Hangen, Omaha Symphony and Band-Arnold Gabriel.
Housing for the event will be in Motels. The Hampton Inn has been designated as the Headquarters. Rooms at the Hampton Inn are \$40.00 minimum. This price includes a continental breakfast. The schedule for Friday will include a break from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. This is to allow directors to check their students into the motel and to get supper before returning for the evening rehearsals. Lambert stated that he had checked with the VMEA and the State Department of Education concerning supplementary funding of the event. No help is available from these sources. However, Lambert stated that the VBODA Executive Board will subsidize the event \$5.00 per student. With this help and the deletion of the T-shirts, the All-State fee will be around \$20.00 per student.
 - (b) Sharon Hoose Commission composed by Floyd Werle will be performed by the 1988 All-Virginia Band.
 - (c) Lambert encouraged band directors to have their wind players who audition for State to sign up for the orchestra.

Nominating Committee Report- Steve King presented the

slate of officers as selected by the nominating committee. They are: President-Elect: John Easley, North Stafford High School & Diana Love, Blacksburg High School; Secretary: Debbie Meyers, Oakton High School, John Casagrande, Woodson High School & Max Hahn, Douglas Freeman High School. The treasurer will be appointed by the new executive board. This is to concur with the guidelines of VMEA. Lambert asked if there were any other nominations. King made a motion to adopt the slate of officers. Seconded by Harold Ford. Stan Schoonover moved that the slate be accepted. Passed.

Manual Report- The manual will consist of two parts: (1) Administrative Handbook-loose leaf with 1/2" binding bolts. Lambert showed the group a proto-type of the Handbook which will be mailed to schools that have paid their manual fees. These will be mailed the week of November 23, 1987. Lambert thanked Jay Megaw and Steve King for their research and work on the revision of the administrative handbook. All revisions were voted on and approved by the executive board based on minutes of previous meetings.

(2) Selective Music List- Lambert reported that a published copy of the Music List will be in the hands of the membership by the end of January. The delay of publication had been due to problems with the publisher and the computer format. A copy of all new concert additions will be enclosed with the mailings of the Administrative Handbook to those schools which have paid their full manual fees. District instrumental representatives already have a copy of these additions. Lambert stated that a copy of the manual would be sent to all supervisors of music where schools had paid the fees. School copies will be sent directly to the school. Lambert asked if any discrepancies were found in the manual to please let him know so that they can be reviewed.

4. Phil Fuller Service Award- Lambert stated that any nominations for this award should be sent to him as soon as possible. Criteria for the award is listed in the new Administrative Manual.

5. VMEA Concerns:

(a) Magnet School- Lambert reported that the VMEA Executive Board and Council of Revue voted unanimously that students participating in the Magnet Schools and not a regular participating member of their home school's band, orchestra, or chorus program will not be allowed to participate in VMEA-VBODA-VCDA structured activities. The VMEA Executive Board appointed the presidents of VBODA and VCDA to form a joint committee to draw up a policy that will be consistent for both organizations concerning students eligibility of participating in school performing

groups. Lambert stated that any concerns about this should be given to Jonathon Hargis, Dwight Burton, or himself so they can be addressed at the January VMEA meeting. The current policy for VBODA is stated on page XIV of the 1984-87 Administrative Handbook.

(b) VMEA Conference Report- Lambert thanked Debbie Meyers for her work in organizing the string clinics and George Megaw, Richard Deal, and Moe Turrentine for their organization of the logistics of the event. He also commended all instrumental performing groups for their fine presentations.

The 1988 Conference will be held on November 17-19 at the Omni International Hotel in Norfolk. Any group interested in performing at the conference should submit their tapes to Steve King by April 1, 1988.

Lambert stated that several groups this year missed the deadline and could not be considered. Lambert also stated that Woodson H.S. Band & Westside HS Orchestra will perform at the National MENC conference in April.

(c) Redistricting Committee- Lambert said that a proposal had been sent to the District Chairmen concerning redistricting. This proposal was a result of a survey which had been conducted by Charlotte Collins. Lambert said that the proposal was not final and anyone with concerns about the changes should let their District Chairmen, Instrumental Representative, or him know before the January VMEA Executive Board meeting.

(d) Financial Forms- The new forms and procedures are in the new VBODA Administrative Handbook. Lambert expressed the necessity of getting all forms in on time with the proper receipts and ledgers. He said that anyone not meeting the deadline would receive a letter of reprimand which would be sent to their principal. Lambert stated that all monies for these events must be handled through school accounts and not booster organizations. Also, separate accounts should be set up for these individual events. Overage should be sent to the appropriate event (VMEA- send to Gerald Granderson; VBODA-send to Jim Hines). If there was an excessive amount of overage then the executive board would decide how to handle the matter.

Festival Rating Committee- Lambert stated that he had not received a report from Carl Bly who had been appointed to chair and select this committee. Lambert asked if anyone is interested in serving on this committee to let him know.

The area of concern is the inconsistencies in the sightreading scores combined with the stage performance scores. Richard Sanger agreed to serve as chairman of the committee which will report to the membership at the April meeting. Lambert asked that anyone with concerns about this matter contact Sanger. The committee would also look at festival scores for the marching band

festival

New Business-Other Concerns:

(a) Constitutional Change: The executive board moved that the first vote on manual changes be made by the membership present at the meeting. The second vote will be by mail vote to the entire membership. A 2/3 majority of responses is necessary for the motion to pass. Motion seconded by Richard Sanger. Motion amended by Kim Kiec, seconded by John Casagrande to read "mail votes to go out after VMEA notes publication." Motion with amendment PASSED. MANUAL CHANGE. A second vote is required at the April meeting.

(b) Jim Paige asked for a point of clarification on the appointment of treasurer. As stated in the VBODA Administrative Handbook (Section I, pg. 3). The President, President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected by the general membership by mail ballot in accordance with VMEA policy. (Appendix B, pg. 11)- The treasurer shall be appointed by the executive board.

(c) Alan Shull, on behalf of District V, moved that VBODA establish a second All-State Band. Seconded by Dan Schoemmell. Shull stated that he felt with the high caliber of students auditioning for All-State and the number that are not selected (2/3 of auditionees) a second All-State Band should be considered. After further discussion ~~the motion was tabled~~ and Shull was appointed to chair a committee to look into the feasibilities of such an addition. Other members of the committee are: Ken Lipscomb, Holladay Sanderson, Todd Greve, Ben Schuheart, and Doug Armstrong. The committee will report to the membership in April.

BAND BUSINESS

Honor Band Plaques: Those bands receiving a superior rating at both the marching band festival and the district concert festival will receive an honor band plaque. A list of those eligible will be published in VMEA Notes.

2. Marching Band Festival Report: Wayne Powell gave a reported that a total of 51 bands registered for the two events with only 2 bands not in attendance. Due to the excellent weather at both sites both events had paid for themselves.
3. Other Business:
 - (a) Lambert reported that due to the financial success of the marching festival that the \$100 registration fee would be refunded to each group which performed.
 - (b) John Casagrande complimented Wayne Powell for his fine organization and running of the marching band

festival.

(c) Motion by Stan Schoonover, seconded by Linda Gammon that "Order of Business for the VBODA meetings rotate to include: 'Orchestra Only' business first at the conference meetings; and 'Band Only' Business first at the All-State Event meetings. Motion Passed.

(d) Lambert commended the group for their work and professionalism.

(e) Don Jenx moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Schoonover. Motion Passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:15 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Diana Love, Secretary