

VBODA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Saturday, April 13, 1996
Blacksburg High School
10:00am

CALL TO ORDER [Schoonover]

President Stan Schoonover called the meeting to order at 10:02am..

DISTRICT ROLL CALL

There was a representative present from each District.

VOTING PROCEDURE

All voting is by membership card only. There are 3 types of motions: Administrative, Constitutional and Procedural.

MINUTES OF LAST GENERAL MEETING [Melinda McKenzie]

Minutes from the last meeting were published in "Notes". Minutes approved.

RECOGNITIONS [Schoonover]

Recognized Ron simmons and Mary Wagner for their outstanding work in organizing the 50th Anniversary Band and Orchestra. Thanks to Mary and Ron for making this unique event a huge success.

W.T. Woodson, John Casagrande - Director and the Herndon Middle School Symphonic Band, Noreen Linneman - Director were recipients of Sudler awards. Woodson received the Sudler Flag and Herndon M.S. the Sudler Cup. Congratulations to these fine bands and their conductors.

The Longfellow Middleschool Band from McLean, Virginia has been chosen to appear at the 1996 Mid-West International Band and Orchestra Clinic. Congratulations to the band and its conductor, J.D. Anderson.

TREASURER'S REPORT [Mike Kirby]

Manual.....	\$4,530.59
All-Virginia.....	\$229.57
General.....	\$824.55
Medals.....	\$2,327.91
Marching Band.....	-0-
Total.....	\$7,921.62

**MOTION [Gammon] SECOND [Bly] to approve the Treasurer's Report.
MOTION PASSED.**

GENERAL BUSINESS

Theresa Bailey Report (Representative from State Department of Education)
New provision for providing for Band uniform storage as part of a regular guideline for any new school buildings in the state.If you would like to write a letter endorsing that write to: Hunter Barnes.

S.O.L. - meeting to present the 4 areas or S.O.L.'s to the State Board of Education
Are supposed to have a work plan to present these by June 1st.

Advisory Board for teacher education and licensure has proposed that we go 3 endorsements in music to 2. We currently have Instrumental, Orchestral and Choral. They are proposing that we go to only Instrumental and Choral. Diana Love wrote a letter on behalf of VMEA supporting this.

Thanks to Diana Love for hosting All-Virginia!

VMEA NEWS

- A letter on block scheduling is being sent through a superintendent's letter.
- In Roanoke Steve King will do a presentation on the importance of General Music in the schools.
- We need suggestions for committee for SOL's.
- Goals 2000 - 85 school boards have supported this.

1997 All-Virginia Site

Great Bridge H.S. Rob Carroll, Host - Dates April 10, 11 & 12

The 1998 All-Virginia has been tentatively approved for Atlee High School in Hanover County.

If someone is interested in hosting in 1999 please write a letter requesting consideration.

VMEA Conference

Tapes and Applications for performing groups for the VMEA Conference are due May 15th. Band tapes should be sent to Stan Schoonover, Orchestra materials to Mary Wagner. Applications for clinics and other non-performing sessions are due May 1st to the same persons.

Mary's Address is incorrect in "Notes" 5833 Cove Landing

Dates for Conference are November 22-23

Changes in Manual Committee

The Executive Board recommends the following: the Manual Grading Committee and Manual Board be adopted permanently. The Manual Board would consist of the Manual Chairman, the Manual Editor, the Middle School Rep, the String Rep, and 2 other appointed members. The breakdown would also yield 4 band raters and 2 orchestra raters, whenever possible. Appointed members would serve 3 year terms, titled members would serve for the two years of their office. The Manual Chairman would represent all Manual concerns to the Board and the membership. The grading committee will meet three times yearly.

MOTION [Phil Simon] SECOND [Vince Tornello] Motion to accept the changes in the Manual Committee. MOTION PASSED.

The Executive Board has vacated the following Manual positions: Manual Chairman, Manual Editor, Assistant Manual Editor, Manual Business Manager and Handbook Editor.

If you or anyone you know is interested in these positions, or the remaining grading committee slots, please contact Linda Gammon for details. Appointment of these positions will occur at the June Board meeting.

Manual Omissions

- 1994 Full and String Orchestra additions were omitted from the manual.
- The membership will get the 1996 additions at Conference.
- There are also 750 Solos and Ensembles from 1994 that were omitted.
- There was a problem with the French Horn solos. There were 11 grade VI solos written in the manual as grade IV, 67 in grade V and 83 in grade VI.

**Sid Berg has been nominated to the American Bandmaster's Association

Manual Fee Collection Update

The next time we will do a direct mailing to collect fees. Wayne had a printout of updated fee payments. The membership should keep in mind the "no pay/noplay" rule for this year.

Handbook Omissions, Corrections, Clarifications

- "All elementary bands and orchestras comprised of students through the sixth grade, performing at District Festival, be allowed the option of not sight-reading and instead preparing a warm-up and two graded selections." To be added at the end of Section iv, 3.c.
- Clarification to be added to Section IV, 4.a. - "Two or more bands/orchestras from the same school (which share personnel) may not perform the same composition for Festival at any time."
- Clarification to be added to Section IV, 4.b.1 and IV, 5.c.1 "The warm-up selection is adjudicated as part of each judges final rating."

NOMINATING COMMITTEE [Linda Gammon]

A special mail ballot will go out in May to vote for the President-elect. The nominating committee recommends Joe Tornello and Jack Elgin as candidates for President-elect.

The ballot will include a bio of each of the candidates.

There were no nominations from the floor.

MOTION [Schoemmell] SECOND [Bly] to close the nominations. MOTION PASSED.

BAND BUSINESS

All-State Auditions [Schoonover]

The All-Virginia audition procedure has reached the end of its 3-year trial.

MOTION [Kirby] SECOND [Rice] to adopt the All-Virginia audition procedure which uses the prepared piece as a part of the audition process.
46-Yes 12-No 1-Abstain
MOTION PASSED.

The motion will now go to mail ballot and must have a 2/3 majority for adoption.

Marching Band

VBODA Marching Festival dates are October 19th for VBODA West and Southeast and October 26th for central and northeast. Sites will be announced later. The northeast site is still in contention.

Honor Band

39 bands were named as Honor Bands this year.

Video Recording Policy

The Executive Board has adopted the following policy concerning the video recording of Marching Festival. "Due to possible infringement of copyright laws, no recording of the entire Marching Band Festival will be allowed by any vendor. Individual bands may still be recorded as per VBODA policy.

2nd All-Virginia Band

The Executive Board recommends that the concept of a 2nd All-Virginia band be placed on the mail ballot solely for the purpose of gathering more input and interest from the membership. If interest warrants, the concept will be studied further. It was decided that we would take an informative survey in May and that a motion concerning a 2nd All-VA band would be tabled until November.

ORCHESTRA BUSINESS

The Executive Board determined that Article 3, section 3, subsection B means that at this time there may be only 4 Regional Orchestras supported by VBODA. The number and composition of these orchestras may change in the future pending further study. VBODA and VMEA will not support Regional orchestras other than those currently in place.

Regional Orchestra Audition Eligibility

The Executive Board recommends that wind and percussion students auditioning at All-Virginia due to their participation in a VBODA Regional Orchestra be considered eligible for either All-Virginia Band or Orchestra and must indicate their preference.

MOTION [Stokes] SECOND [Tornello] to accept the recommendation of the Executive Board concerning Regional Orchestra wind and percussion participants and their status in All-VA. MOTION PASSED.

[Schoonover] We will bring a motion in November about String Bass status

Conductors (in order of most votes)

Band

Jim Croft
Lowell Graham
Paula Crider
Gary Green
Ray Cramer
Tony Maiello
Larry Christianson
James Keene
Jon Woods

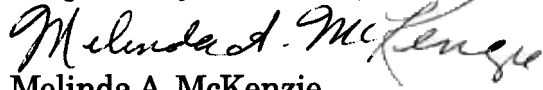
Orchestra

Tony Maiello
Dean Angeles
Michael Morgan
David Hoose
Larry Christianson

Many thanks to Stan Schoonover for his service on the Executive Board.

Adjournment @ 11:35am

Respectfully submitted,



Melinda A. McKenzie
VBODA Secretary