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VBODA GENERAL MEETING

April 3, 1998

Atlee High School

10:00am

CALL TO ORDER [Gammon]

President Linda Gammon called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

DISTRICT ROLL CALL [McKenzie]

<u>District</u>	<u>Representative</u>
I	Yes
II	Yes
III	Jim Stegner
IV	Mike Kirby
V	Yes
VI	Yes
VII	Brian Brickenbush
VIII	Yes
IX	Yes
X	Yes
XI	Kathy Dow
XII	Yes
XIII	Yes
XIV	Yes

VOTING PROCEDURE [Gammon] All voting is made by membership card. There are 3 types of motions listed on the bottom of your agenda. Please refer to these when voting.

MINUTES OF LAST GENERAL MEETING - minutes of the last general meeting were published in VMEA "Notes". Minutes stood as published.

RECOGNITIONS [Gammon] Congratulations to John Casagrande, Roy Holder and Dennis Zeisler who were elected to the American Bandmaster's Association.

[Scott Lambert] Congratulated Linda Gammon and Robinson Secondary for being Awarded the Sudler Cup.

[Gammon] Thank you to George Sadler and Melissa Gordon for hosting the All-state event. Thank you to Chuck Batt and John Savage for providing refreshments.

TREASURER'S REPORT [Kirby]

All-Virginia.....	\$6,564.51
General.....	\$5,198.88
Manual.....	\$15,609.85
Medals.....	\$5,364.72
Marching Band.	\$7,609.81
Technology.....	\$3,728.20
Total.....	\$44,075.97

Treasurer's Report approved as read.

GENERAL BUSINESS [Gammon]

All-State 1999: The event for 1999 will be held at Woodside High School, Jonathon Hargis - Host.

Dates for the event are April 8-10

Directors: Band - James Croft
Orchestra - TBA

All-State Hosts: Anyone interested in hosting All-Virginia for the year 2000 should send in a proposal.

VMEA News [Scott Lambert]

The fall conference will include sessions by: Tim Lautzenhiser
The Langley Air Force Jazz Band

Qualifications for Superintendent of the Year and Music Educator of the Year were left out of "Notes". Look in the next issue for information. Portfolios will be due May 1st and should be sent to Patti Brennan.

We are now taking applications for Administrative Assistant. The deadline for applications is April 10th and they should be sent to Vince Tornello at Charlottesville H.S.

Call for Performance groups and Clinics at Conference[Gammon] Tapes and applications for performing groups for the conference are due May 15th. Send Band tapes to Linda Gammon and Orchestra tapes to Mary Wagner. This year we are asking that performing groups play a variety of grade levels of music and that they also include newly published works. Suggestions for clinics are still being accepted through May 15th as well.

[Gammon] We have many exciting clinicians at the Conference including: Dr. Tim, Quincy Hilliard, Andrew Balent, the Army Brass Quintet, the Langley Rhythm and Blues Jazz group and the Army Band and Chorus.

Manual Committee Report [Schoonover] We are in the "Zip drive" phase and will soon be issuing CD's that are MAC for the first go around. Later we hope to have a PC and a MAC version by conference.

Manual Fee Collection Update [Gammon] A manual fee collection update will be sent to all District Reps. They have done an outstanding job at keeping us updated.

VMEA Re-Districting Update [Gammon] The committee for Re-districting will meet again at All-Virginia chorus and at the June VMEA meeting. If you have any concerns regarding re-districting please present them to your district rep.

Slate of Officers for 1998-2000

President	Joe Tornello
President Elect	Jack Elgin
Secretary	Melinda McKenzie
Middle School Rep	Wayne Powell
String Rep	Dan Lind

They will assume their 2-year term beginning in July of 1998

Sight Reading/Festival Clarification [Gammon]

1. Schools selecting Option 1: Concert performance of prepared selections only. The interpretation and intention of this option is as follows: adjudicators will select for performance at the judges meeting one composition of the three prepared [Section iv, Pg 2] Groups may then be informed when they register and not before what the judges have selected.
2. When a school has more than one director conducting at festival, each director must have a current MENC card.
3. Please make sure that you have the proper legal scores or a letter from the publisher if you use xerox copies.

Phil Fuller and Sidney Berg Awards [Linda Gammon] The Phil Fuller Award will be presented today to Mr. Paul Brown and the Sidney Berg Service Award to John Easley.

BAND BUSINESS [Gammon]

All-Virginia Auditions [Gammon] On behalf of the membership I would like to thank Joe Tornello and Dan Lind on their outstanding organizational skills in running the All-Va auditions.

Clarification [Gammon] In the All-Virginia Instrumentation of section viii page 4 No. 4 will read: percussion assignments to the band and orchestra are governed by student preferences as stated on the registration forms with options indicated for band only, for orchestra only, or either band or orchestra. This statement is in the book but will now precede No. 2.

We are also looking into more melodious sight-reading for next year's auditions.

[Rich Bergman] Can a band change its option about sight-reading at festival at anytime before the event.

[Gammon] Yes.

Marching Band [Ken Rudd]

The dates for next year's marching festivals are incorrect on the back of "Notes".

West & Central	Oct 24th
NE & SE	Oct 31st

Be aware of the new size classifications, deadlines and late fee changes.

There will be a section for stating scheduling requests on the registration form so that people with homecoming and other unavoidable conflicts may be scheduled around them. We will try to maintain the integrity of each of the classes where possible.

We will operate from an approved judge's list in hiring for the State Marching Festival. A nomination form is available if you would like to add judges to the list. These new nominations will be approved by the 9 high school band now seated on the VBODA executive board.

1998 Honor Bands [Gammon]

There are 32 bands earning the honor band award this year. Their names were mentioned at this General meeting and will be published in "Notes"

Schools earning the 10 Year Honor Band Award:	Blacksburg
	North Stafford
	W.T. Woodson
Directors earning the 10 Year Honor Band Award:	Diana Love
	John Casagrande

Congratulations to all the recipients for their outstanding work this year.

Second All-Virginia Band Proposal [Love]

A recommendation by the Executive Board was presented by Dr. Diana Love which included the following items:

1. establish a second All-Virginia band
2. establish the size and instrumentation of both All-Virginia bands
3. revise the number and designation of students eligible to audition

Discussion:

[Don Jeanes] What will this do to the logistics of the event?

[Gammon] The literature would have to be shorter and the concert would be longer.

[Jonathon Hargis] There will be space to have three groups at Woodside but students would not be able to watch the concert. They could see it on a TV monitor.

[Hazel Chielik] How many schools will be able to host this?

[Scott Lambert] Most of the schools around the major metropolitan areas would be able to host this.

[Dan Lind] We would need to insure that each group got equal time on stage.

[Ken Rudd] If your school can't host this, don't do it!

[Laura McBride] We should not vote this proposal down simply because it might be inconvenient. We need to think about the fact that we are giving more students the opportunity to participate.

[Rich Bergman] Why not try a wind ensemble and a concert band set-up like District 12?

[Hazel Chielik] If we pass this proposal we will cut short the amount of time that each group has to perform. That means that the orchestra may not be able to play a whole symphony again.

[Denny Stokes] You still are not getting a high number of the best students auditioning.

[Laura Thomas] There is a concern that the orchestra will be the one to get seperated if there are 3 groups.

[Hazel Chielik] If we do this, people will be wanting a 2nd orchestra as well.

[Sid Berg] Let's at least approve the concept of 2 bands and then we can fine tune the details later.

MOTION PASSED for a second All-State Band 43/35 [will go to mail ballot]

**MOTION [Richard Bergman] SECOND [James Kirchenbauer] Any student disqualified from a District or Regional event (District Band/Regional Orchestra) shall not be permitted to perform or audition for All-State Band or Orchestra. MOTION PASSED.
[will go to mail ballot]**

MOTION [Steve Rice] SECOND [Scott Lambert] Each District Band shall be allowed to send the appropriate number of students selected from their respective sections; in quantities indicated in the manual. Students who choose not to accept the opportunity to audition may be replaced by the next eligible student as per program order.

MOTION PASSED [will go to mail ballot]

Orchestra Business [Gammon]

[Bob Spiers] Thanked VBODA and VMEA for supporting the 5 students selected for the NSOA Honor orchestra.

[Gammon] VBODA sent a donation of \$200 to Tau Beta Sigma for providing runners for All-Va auditions. We also sent \$200 to Timothy Charles Nelson of Christiansberg H.S. for a composition competition that he won. Sent \$250 in memory of Jimmy Simms a past president of VBODA.

Updated All-Virginia Conductor Lists :

BAND

- Frank Wickes
- Francis McBeth
- Ray Cramer
- Gary Smith
- James Copenhaver
- Paula Crider
- Don Wilcox
- James Keene
- Larry Christianson
- Jon Woods
- Joe Segnoli

ORCHESTRA

- Thomas Wilkins
- Larry Ratcliff
- Michael Morgan
- David Wiley
- Robert Spano
- Dan Welcher
- Larry Christianson
- David Becker
- David Effron
- David Hoose

MOTION to Adjourn [Kathy Dow] The meeting was adjourned at 11:30pm

Respectfully submitted by;

Melinda A. McKenzie