

VBODA GENERAL MEETING
APRIL 7, 2001
MASSAPONAX HIGH SCHOOL

CALL TO ORDER (Jack Elgin) The meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM.

DISTRICT ROLL CALL (Elgin)

District 1	Ruth Kochenour
District 2	Pat Burke
District 3	Jim Hale
District 4	Rob Carrol
District 5	Jim Warner
District 6	Diana Love
District 7	Rick Gallyean
District 8	Doug Spruill
District 9	Mark Carter
District 10	Dan Helm
District 11	Krista Pezole
District 12	Marilyn Dagget
District 13	Joe Tornello
District 14	Paul Shoremount

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (Jan Collins) No corrections to the minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Elgin)

All-Virginia	\$10,421.15
General	\$ 8,496.99
Manual	\$17,825.52
Marching Band	\$ 4,435.09
Medals	\$ 8,392.43
Technology	\$ 5,206.08

GENERAL BUSINESS

VMEA News (Elgin) A mailing including ballots for District Representatives will arrive next week. In addition, a Blue Ribbon School application will be enclosed. This award is designed to recognize schools with band, orchestra, and chorale groups who all receive superior ratings at festival. This award is available for both middle schools and high schools. The deadline for applications is June 1. Questions can be directed to Linda Gammon, Scott Lambert, or Terry Austin.

Award nomination forms will also be included.
Conference will be held at The Homestead November 15-17.
Band performance tapes are due to Jack Elgin and
orchestra performance tapes to Martin Sutherland by
May 1.

All-Virginia Report (Jonathan Hargis) Thanks to all of those who assisted with auditions. We are working on a few improvements such as controlling the number of students who are actually in the music building at once. In addition, we are also considering changes such as all judges in double rooms listening to scales so that the sightreading rooms do not get behind. There have also been some percussion audition suggestions which will be discussed further in November. We are still in need of more flute, clarinet, and double reed judges.

(Sutherland) We are working on a harp audition procedure to put in place for the upcoming year.

(From the floor) A harpist was pulled from Orchestra to Concert Band and had to sightread, so that should be considered.

(Sutherland) We have talked to several harpists and will probably have an on site audition next year.

(Hargis) We should be able to send out any band literature requiring harp to the player ahead of time. We will have a viable procedure in place next year.

All-Virginia Event April 4-6, 2002
James River High School Jim Stegner, Host

All-Virginia Event Report (Corey Koch) Thanks to everyone who helped this weekend. Thanks to the people who provided music and transportation of conductors.

All-Virginia Conductors (Elgin) We will now accept nominations for orchestra conductors for 2002. We will call Louis Begonzi first and then Wes Kenney. Symphonic Band will be conducted by Frank Wickes. We still need to choose a concert band clinician.
(Vince Tornello) Didn't we bring up installing a guest conductor committee to do away with this procedure?
(Elgin) We will look into that. Anyone interested in hosting All-Virginia for 2003 should submit a proposal.

(Laura Thomas) I would like to register disapproval of placing orchestra at a site other than the bands. This is exactly the reason I had reservations about voting for a second band.

(Elgin) I know that this year all three groups will meet under one roof on Saturday.

(V. Tornello) Can't both premier groups be located in the same building?

(Thomas) What is the status for next year?

(Elgin) I am not sure, but I will speak with the host and attempt to resolve the situation.

Manual Committee (Wayne Powell) I have received all but one delinquent manual fee. Expect new CDs in the fall. An updated manual fee list is on the webpage.

(Elgin) Thanks to Wayne for all of his hard work on the web page. He has done a stellar job.

BAND BUSINESS

State Marching Band Festival Report (Elgin) Currently the Northeast site has one proposal. Any additional proposals are due to Ken Rudd by May 1. The October 20th festivals will begin after 1:00 PM due to PSAT testing. Additional judge recommendations can also be sent to Ken by May 1.

Honor Bands (V. Tornello) This is the 20th anniversary of the honor band program. We would like to recognize these groups.

Sightreading (W. Powell) This year's sightreading music was approved by the committee. However, there were problems finding full orchestra music. Then Kramer could not obtain Grade II music. Instead I ordered it from Pepper. Kramer will no longer be providing music, so proposals are currently being accepted from music companies to handle this. District I, V, VIII, IX, and XI still have not paid for all of their sightreading music.

All-Virginia Conductor Committee (J. Hargis) I will chair a conductor selection committee with the help of Martin Sutherland. Please forward any names and resumes to myself or Martin and we will present these at the next

meeting in November. Today we will go ahead and prioritize a list of concert band conductors. We will call John Cassagrande and then Carl Bly.

OTHER BUSINESS (Elgin) Current nominations for officers include:

President Elect - Rob Carroll

Denny Stokes

Secretary - Jan Collins

Ruth Kochenour (nominated from floor)

Middle School Representative - Wayne Powell

String Representative - Martin Sutherland

Laura Thomas (nominated from floor)

Bios and pictures are due to Notes by April 17.

MOTION (J. TORNELLO) SECOND (V. TORNELLO) TO ACCEPT SLATE OF OFFICERS AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED.

MOTIONS FROM FLOOR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTION (L. THOMAS) SECOND (CHERYL COOLEY) THAT THE TWO PREMIER ENSEMBLES, SYMPHONIC BAND AND SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, REHEARSE AT JAMES RIVER HIGH SCHOOL (SAME SITE). MOTION PASSED

MOTION (C. COOLEY) SECOND (HAZEL CHEILEK) THAT IN 2003 AND FOLLOWING YEARS, ALL-STATE HOST SITE MUST BE ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE ALL THREE GROUPS FOR REHEARSAL AND PERFORMANCE. MOTION PASSED

MOTION (H. CHEILIK) SECOND (KAREN VonBERNEWITZ) THAT WE REQUIRE ALL STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN BAND AND ORCHESTRA FESTIVAL BE REQUIRED TO LISTEN TO AT LEAST 2 OTHER GROUPS IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THEIR SCORES. MOTION DEFEATED

(Dan Schoemmel) Possibly the board should recommend this at the next meeting in November.

MOTION (MARK COLLINS) SECOND (J. TORNELLO) THAT THE LUDWIG PERCUSSION EDITION OF THE 26 STANDARD RUDIMENTS BE PROVIDED IN THE AUDITION PACKETS BY VBODA. AND THESE BECOME THE OFFICIAL LIST OF RUDIMENTS USED IN THE ALL-VIRGINIA AUDITION PROCESS. MOTION PASSED

MOTION (LARRY G. CORRELL) SECOND (J. TORNELLO) THAT WE INCLUDE IN AUDITION INFORMATION PACKET; LONG ROLL FOR SNARE

DRUM IS BASED ON RUDIMENT #1 OF THE LUDWIG PUBLICATIONS EDITION OF 26 STANDARD RUDIMENTS. MOTION PASSED.

MOTION (M. COLLINS) SECOND (L. CORRELL) TO ELIMINATE THE *fp* ROLL FROM THE TIMPANI AUDITION AND ADAPT THE JUDGING FORM TO INDICATE 20% OF THE SCORE FOR EACH TUNING AND 30% OF THE SCORE FOR EACH SIGHT-READING PERFORMANCE. THIS WILL ALLOW FOR A TOTAL OF 40% FOR TUNING AND 60% FOR SIGHT-READING. MOTION PASSED

MOTION (L. CORRELL) SECOND (J. TORNELLO) THAT STUDENTS WILL BE ALLOWED TO USE A PITCH PIPE OR TUNING FORK TO TUNE EACH TIMPANI WITH A TIME LIMIT OF 60 SECONDS FOR TUNING FOR ALL FOUR DRUMS AND 30 SECONDS FOR STUDY OF THE SIGHT-READING PRIOR TO PERFORMANCE. MOTION PASSED

ADJOURNMENT 10:22 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Collins
Secretary