

VBODA Executive Board Meeting
April 6, 2001
Massaponax High School
4:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL (Jack Elgin)

Members in attendance included Jack Elgin, Jonathan Hargis, Jan Collins, Wayne Powell, Martin Sunderland, Ken Rudd, Dan Schoemmell, Diana Love, Carl Bly, Linda Gammon, and Joe Tornello

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Jan Collins) No Corrections.

TREASURERS REPORT (Jack 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
 TOTAL	 \$54,777.26

COMMITTEE REPORTS

State Marching Festival (Ken Rudd)

Events will be held at the same sites except the NE. Woodbridge is unavailable. There is a proposal from Garfield. Proposals will be accepted until May 1. Everyone seems happy with the five judge system. The judges were also happy with it. The October 20 and 27 dates will begin at 1:00 PM due to PSATs.

All-Virginia Auditions (Jonathan Hargis)

All-Virginia went well. JMU is locked in for next year. We would like to split up sightreading for the double rooms. (Love) We need to be consistent in all rooms and inform students of any new procedures. I am also concerned about overcrowding in the music building. (Schoemmell) We could check on using the auditorium in Duke (Bly) Maybe we should not allow parents in the building. (Hargis) We will close registration at 9:30 AM. There have been some percussion concerns raised. I will present these at the next meeting. (Sunderland) There is no procedure to audition harps in the

manual. There is a need to establish requirements. They do not tend to sightread or play scales. This year the kids sent in a tape. I will set up a proposal to go over in June. We will need to check room availability at JMU for harp auditions.

(Hargis) I will talk with JMU about that.

All-Virginia Event (Elgin)

Corey has done a fine job. We thank Corey for his work.

(Sunderland) Risers would be helpful for the wind sections.

String Report (Sunderland)

No report except to have string excerpts instead of etudes for auditions.

Manual Committee (Elgin)

(Wayne Powell) Fourteen or fifteen schools have paid their manual fees who were delinquent last year. New schools need to be made aware of the requirement to pay the fee their first year. Honor bands are listed on the web page.

(Bly) The following should be stated in the solo and ensemble section of the manual: "If a time limit is imposed by a district at solo and ensemble festival, each student is responsible for knowledge of the entire work. The judge will choose the section to be played."

(Elgin) Band World has dropped sales of the CD due to low sales. Solo and Ensemble editing is underway. We are still seeking other editors.

(Schoemmell) We should advertise on our web page.

(Powell) We can charge \$40.00.

VMEA REPORT (Linda Gammon)

Ballots will be in the mail Monday for district chairs. Information on blue ribbon schools will also be included. This program recognizes schools that have superior performing organizations in band, choir, and orchestra. Awards applications will also be included. Application deadline is June 1. Conference planning continues. We need bios and information for Notes for President and Secretary.

OLD BUSINESS

(Stan Schoonover via email) Should we restructure the district rep position to include string reps as well as band reps? This would create a chain of command for the string teachers.

(Gammon) What if we made it a regional position?

(Elgin) How do we establish that?

(Gammon) That could be an appointed position.

(Love) We could establish duties and expectations.

(Sunderland) It would be helpful to have them at the September meeting. I will find a person in each region who will come to the September meeting.

(Vince Tornello) They should travel at VBODA's expense.

(Bly) Appointing these representatives should be listed as a part of the string representatives duties in the manual.

Elgin) Performance tapes are due by May 1.

MOTION (GAMMON) SECOND (HARGIS) THAT WE GET AN EXACT COST FOR MARCHING BAND FESTIVAL PLAQUES TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE JUNE MEETING WITH BUDGET RAMIFICATIONS. PASSED

(Powell) We need to discuss a situation involving a percussion instructor assisting students in the sightreading room at festival.

(Love) We should clarify that all directions and assignments in the sightreading room at festival are to be given by the ensemble's primary conductor with no assistance from any other person.

(Gammon) We should also clarify this at the September meeting and send a written memo to all district reps.

(Powell) Should the festival form clarify that 6th grade bands do not have to sightread only if they are elementary?

(Gammon) We should also clarify that at the meeting.

(Powell) Several people have expressed concern that the Grade II sightreading music was more difficult than the Grade III piece and contained mixed meter.

(Gammon) I think we were confused.

(Schoemmel) Could we contact the Texas people to see all of the pieces and determine a course of action?

(Powell) I will get them and send them to Jack before the June meeting. Kramer will not be serving our music needs anymore. There is a proposal from Music and Arts to take over.

(V. Tornello) We need to find unpublished music. We should research Texas first and then make further decisions.

NEW BUSINESS

All-Virginia Auditions will be held February 23, 2002 at James Madison University.

All-Virginia Band and Orchestra will be held April 5-7 at James River High School. Jim Stegner is the host. Frank Wickes is confirmed.

(Bly) Maybe we should consider raising the conductor pay.

MOTION (V. TORNELLO) SECOND (J. TORNELLO) THAT ALL-VIRGINIA GUEST CONDUCTORS BE PAID A MINIMUM OF \$700.00 A DAY. PASSED

(Schoemmell) We should establish a committee to decide on minimum payment for judges and guest conductors in the state.

(Elgin) The committee will be chaired by Jonathan. Members will include Wayne, Linda, Dan and Martin.

(Hargis) We will make a report in June.

(Love) Schedule guidelines should be established for a host to give conductors.

(Elgin) We need to discuss the administrative assistant position.

(Love) Could we combine the committee for salaries with the administrative assistant committee?

(Elgin) Yes.

(J. Tornello) Should we do away with the gate for marching festival? We don't charge for concert festival?

(Rudd) I will look into it for further discussion.

(V. Tornello) You have twenty years of Honor Band information in the handout.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Elgin)

The next board meeting will be held at 11:00 AM June 25 at Charlottesville High School.

ADJOURNMENT 6:10

Respectfully submitted

Jan Collins
Secretary

Account List

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Account	Type	Description	Trans	Balance	Checks
11 Month CD	Bank	VBODA	2	11,289.10	
15 month CD	Bank	VBODA	7	31,771.02	
Commercial Checking	Bank	VBODA	610	10,385.28	
Commercial Money Market	Bank	VBODA	73	1,331.86	

Balance Total: 54,777.26

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All Virginia	Asset	VBODA	123	10,421.15	
General	Asset	VBODA	310	8,496.99	
Manual	Asset	VBODA	128	17,825.52	
Marching Band	Asset	VBODA	108	4,435.09	
Medals	Asset	VBODA	23	8,392.43	
Technology	Asset	VBODA	12	5,206.08	

Balance Total: 54,777.26