

# VBODA Executive Board Meeting

April 8, 2005

James Madison H.S.

1:30 p.m.

**Call to Order** (D. Stokes) 1:40 p.m.

**Roll Call/Minutes from Last Meeting** No corrections to the minutes.

**Executive Board Members in Attendance:** Denny Stokes, Rob Carroll, Laura M. Thomas, Mike Kirby, Bud Hearne, Dan Kosko, Jonathan Hargis, Jack Elgin, Linda Gammon, Stan Schoonover, Diana Love, Scott Lambert, Carl Bly, Vince Tornello, and Dan Schoemmell,

**Guests in attendance:** Bill Berg, Michelle Taylor, Michael Trowbridge, and Jim Stegner

**Treasurer's Report** (M. Kirby):

All-Virginia	\$9,549.31
Berg Scholarship	9,532.85
General Account	2,147.16
Manual	13,185.17
Marching Band	9,182.12
Medals	11,195.78
Technology	443.85
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$55,236.24</b>

## Committee Reports

**A. 2005 VMEA/VBODA Fall Conference (D. Stokes):**

Session proposals due to Moe Turrentine by May 1.

Band application tapes due to Denny Stokes by May 1.

Orchestra application tapes due to Bud Hearne by May 1.

2005 Conference will be in Norfolk as in past 3 years.

The Homestead is interested in getting us back for 2006.

We could fulfill our 5-year contract with Norfolk in 2007.

Homestead now has 657 rooms in the area, contract with B/B's.

**B. VBODA State Marching Band Festival (B. Berg):**

Jeraun Ransome at Kellam H.S. is interested in hosting SE sit at Va Beach Sportsplex. D. Stokes directed Bill Berg to go ahead and set up the SE site as proposed.

B. Berg and Stan Schoonover will rework MB score sheet and get it to Dan Lind.

**C. All-Virginia Band/Orchestra Auditions (R. Carroll)**

2005 event recap:

Only one student eligibility issue, D. Stokes handled.

D. Stokes: We expect the etudes to be in place at the Fall Conference.

D. Stokes will speak to Doug Armstrong about getting etudes done on time.  
Allan Wright is interested in writing etudes for All-State.  
2006 site: 2/25/06, JMU Music, Harrisonberg  
Ballroom is not available next year; we may use Wilson Hall.  
Orchestra Directors' Registration worked well this year at College Center  
Discussion re auditioning clarinets in 3 rooms

**D. All-Virginia Band/Orchestra event (Stokes, Carroll, Michelle Taylor)**

a. 2005 Event Report and Recommendations:

M. Taylor: Some people expected to have paperwork mailed to them.

Some technical issues with on-line fillable form.

Paperwork was a nightmare.

Stan Schoonover suggested sending an e-mail to directors to say that the forms are on-line.

Diana Love suggested having a hard copy of forms available at All-State audition registration.

Much discussion re communication.

D. Stokes asked S. Schoonover to make a Board Recommendation at the general meeting tomorrow for communication to principals regarding their students who earned selection to All-State, as well as paperwork deadlines.

M. Taylor commended on hosting job.

b. 2006 event: April 6-8, site: James River High School, Richmond (Jim Stegner, host)

Conductors: Symphonic Band: James Keene

Concert Band: Chip Farnham

Orchestra: TBA (A. Maello to be contacted)

Discussion re process for selecting All-State Conductors

R. Carroll will provide form for conductor ideas at meeting tomorrow.

**E. Orchestra Representative (B. Hearne)**

a. Handbook Review Committee

B. Hearne presented committee's proposal for changing manual wording to reflect current practices (report attached.)

*Motion by C. Bly, seconded by S. Lambert:*

*I move to accept the recommendations of the Regional Orchestra Committee Meeting*

D. Stokes suggesting tabling the motion until we can break down the suggestions into separate components.

Much discussion of specific recommendations as to what kind of vote is required for each.

*Motion by V. Tornello, seconded by Mike Kirby:*

*I move to table this motion until recommendations are clarified as Administrative or Procedural.*

*Motion passes.*

b. Honor Orchestra Award Committee (B. Hearne and M. Trowbridge)

Committee met at VMEA Conference. Directors interested in theory but had difficulty finding an available weekend for State Festival. Conclusion of three orchestra directors in attendance at this meeting: most orchestra directors won't be interested in participating in this event. Other suggestions were made about developing a recognition for orchestras based on program excellence over multiple years, i. e. 5 years of Superior Ratings at District Festival (possibly limiting this award to grade VI groups) would earn a "Gold Orchestra" award. B. Hearne will continue to develop these ideas with colleagues.

*Motion by D. Love, seconded by J. Elgin*  
*I move to accept this report.*  
*Motion passes.*

**F. Awards Committee (D. Stokes)**

Sudler Director awards (Joe Tornello and Vince Tornello)  
Sudler Flag award (Robinson S.S.)  
Sid Berg Scholarship will be presented at All-VA concert Saturday

**G. Manual Committee (D. Kosko, S. Schoonover)**

- a. D. Stokes directed manual editors to address pieces misplaced in manual, and to report back at earliest convenience.

**H. Middle School (W. Powell):**

**I. Website (W. Powell)**

W. Powell not in attendance, assume that all is well.

Revisit Orchestra Handbook Review Committee Report (also referred to as the Regional Orchestra Committee. R. Carroll identified specific recommendations as Procedural or Administrative.

*Motion by S. Schoonover, seconded by C. Bly*  
*I move to accept the amended Orchestra Handbook Review Committee Report.*

*Motion passes.*

**6. Old Business**

District Band Festival Sightreading came in very late this year.  
D. Stokes asked S. Schoonover to make a recommendation to address this at the next Executive Board meeting.

**7. New Business**

VBODA slate for next election:  
Doug Armstrong and Cheryl Newton will run for president.  
B. Hearne and L. M. Thomas agreed to run for String Rep and Secretary again.