

Virginia Band and Orchestra Directors Association
Executive Board Meeting
Friday, April 9, 2010 • 1:30 p.m.
Great Bridge H. S. Media Center, Chesapeake, VA
All-State Orchestra and Bands

This meeting is recorded to assist the secretary

Call To Order (1:30 p.m.)
Review Of Voting Procedures
 Quorum is 5 members
Roll Call
 Present: D. Armstrong, B. Berg, C. Bly, R. Carroll, K. Cottrill, J. Elgin, B. Hearne, S. Lambert, S. King, Diana Love, D. Stokes, K. Taylor, L. Thomas

Doug Armstrong
Keith Taylor

Laura M. Thomas

Approval of Agenda

Doug Armstrong

Minutes From last meeting (November, Homestead)
 Motion to accept by D. Stokes, seconded by R. Carroll
 Motion passes.

Laura M. Thomas

Treasurers Report

Keith Cottrill

As of April 9, 2010

Checking account	56,804.53
15-mo CD	13,116.79
Total Assets	69,921.32

Committee Reports/VBODA Operations

Doug Armstrong

VMEA Event Reports Update
 Not present, no report

Vince Tornello

VMEA/VBODA Fall Conference:

Keith Taylor

- Still seeking, have several proposals
- Performing groups: Bands send audition CDs to K. Taylor/Orchestras to B. Hearne by May 1
- Billing for board members by reimbursement—we will not carry everyone on the master bill.
- We will not pay single room rates—all must by double or cheaper
- Board members are responsible for own hotel reservations
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All-Virginia Jazz Ensemble:

Dennis Weaver

- 2-year trial is over; need a motion for renewal with any changes, and if approved:
- Auditions for 2010-11: Aaron Noe, Audition Chair
- Aud Dates: Sept 26 and 27, Oct. 3 and 4
- Sites: Colonial Forge HS, Chantilly HS, Warren County HS, CNU, Radford, JMU
- Event Chair: Cathy Fisher
- Clinician: Joe Eckert (Texas Christian U)
- Event Site: Tazewell Hotel, Roper Theater
- All-VA Jazz Ensemble will perform w/Honors Choir at Conference (Saturday)
- This info will be on website w/PowerPoint to walk students and directors through process
- 2009: 120 students auditioned; 23 students participated representing 11 districts.

Motion by Rob Carroll, seconded by Keith Cottrill:

I move to make the All-Virginia Jazz Ensemble a permanent, annual All-Virginia event, which will be included in the VBODA Handbook.

Discussion.

Motion passes.

Appreciation expressed to Dennis Weaver for his work.

All Virginia Auditions:

Keith Taylor

Results were delayed because of data input inconsistency, especially with school names.

Keith also received positive feedback for using district reps to register other directors, rather than university students. 2011 All-VA auditions will be at JMU on Feb. 26; other schools welcome to make a proposal but must follow manual procedure; can not make change before 2012. VCU expressed interest.

All Virginia Band/Orchestra Event

Doug Armstrong

Thanks to Rob Carroll, John Husser, Kate Frear, GBHS and parents for hosting.

2011 Event: April 7-9, 2011, Charlottesville High School

Symphonic Band: Richard Floyd, Texas

Concert Band: Stephen Bolstad, James Madison University

Orchestra: Thomas Wilkins (verbal commitment)

2012 Event: April 12-14, 2012, James River HS (Richmond)

Symphonic Band: Thomas Leslie, UNLV

Concert Band: John Carmichael, USF

Orchestra:

Orchestra Representative

Bud Hearne

Motion by Bud Hearne, seconded by Laura Thomas:

I move to increase the number of harpists eligible to audition for All-State from each District Band/Regional Orchestra from one to two.

Discussion.

Motion passes.

VBODA Marching Band Festival

Bill Berg

Financial report: \$14,886.38 profit this year. Nearly 10,000 students involved.

Discussion re sites/dates for 2010; may add Hermitage HS as 7th site ("Capitol?")

Motion by Scott Lambert, seconded by Jack Elgin:

I move to create a 7th Marching Festival site on the first weekend.

Discussion.

Motion passes.

VBODA Marching Band Festival Committee

Rob Carroll

Met via email and at Ft. Defiance; 16 members representing every district except for 7.

Focused on 3 areas: Adjudication pool/training, Regionalization, and caption vs. full sheet

JR Snow presented extensive proposal for caption scoring (post online)

Motion by Denny Stokes, seconded by Rob Carroll:

I move that we accept the work and recommendations of the Marching Band Committee, and that the Executive Board recommend to the general membership that we implement these recommendations for the 2010 Marching Band Festival.

Discussion.

Motion passes. Will go to vote tomorrow, then mail ballot.

Motion by Scott Lambert, seconded by Carl Bly:

I move that we change the name of the Marching Band Festival to the Marching Band assessment.

Motion passes

Motion by Denny Stokes, seconded by Steven King:

I move that the Marching Band Assessment Committee be enfranchised as a standing committee.

Motion passes.

Awards Committee

Revised wording proposed (attached)

Doug Armstrong

Motion by Denny Stokes, seconded by Steve King:

I move to accept the recommendations of the Awards Committee to revise the criteria for the Phil Fuller and Sid Berg Awards.

Motion passes.

Scholarship Committee

Will present at concert tomorrow.

Carl Bly

Manual Committee

No report

S. Schoonover

Middle School Representative

Not present, no report

Wayne Powell

Website

No report

Wayne Powell

Administrative Handbook Committee

Denny Stokes

Concert Festival Committee

Carl Bly presented a revised 'assessment' (festival) adjudication form

Carl Bly

Motion by Carl Bly, seconded by Diana Love:

I move that we adopt the proposed Concert Performance Assessment form for 2011.

Motion passed

Orchestra Region Committee

No new information

Bud Hearne

Old Business

Legacy Recordings

Have obtained nearly every All-State Orchestra and Band recording; still need a few (listed at vboda.org)

VMEA Gov Relations Update

Steve King

Steve King: HB 196 Gen Assembly...bill to repeal the personal finance requirement....gave us one additional year to work against it. Advocacy important; mobilize our membership. CTE folks and financial community are sponsoring this. We need to talk to state school board and delegates to tell them we disagree. Del Orr and Lee Ware are in our corner; are working to repeal this bill...they think we should teach personal finance across the curriculum, not in one class

State School Board deciding on fees and charges: Local school boards may charge fees for the following: "deposits" for instruments not required for instructional purposes. Cherry Gardiner,

Steve King are working to get language “fees may be charged”...we need to fill these meetings with people. Hearings will be held around the state.

Steve King will get language to Scott for posting on website, and will speak tomorrow to general membership.

All-Virginia Folders (tabled after motion passed at 11/09 Exec Bd Meeting)

Bud Hearne

Given current state of economy, lack of interest, will not pursue this purchase. Motion to purchase folders defeated.

Administrative Handbook Rewrite of Section I (motion passed 11/09)

Denny Stokes

Tabled

Tabled Motion – voting privilege of Past-Presidents

Diana Love

Doug Armstrong discussed letter from Thomas Hancher and letter from Moe Turrentine; would like information from a tax attorney rather than CPA. Would be detrimental to align VBODA’s constitution to VMEA’s; if we were the same organization, why do we have sections? Scott Lambert: Agreed; VMEA should include our sections in their constitution rather than the sections changing their constitutions.

Diana Love: Considered many ways to present motion at last meeting. 12 retired band directors on board; outnumbers active band and orchestra teachers.

Steve King: We need continuity. Perhaps we need to limit number of years after serving to six. Maybe each president could ask a past president to serve as voting member during their term. Discussion of attendance by past presidents (in good standing) D. Stokes: Being president of VBODA is great education; by doing we’ve learned. Past president input very important. Diana: Is willing to withdraw motion if Steve is willing to restate motion. Bud: If Diana tables motion, could a committee be formed to further explore this?

Diana withdraws her motion. Steve withdraws his second. Steve: Recommends President form a committee to explore this topic. Doug: Will form a committee, would like Mike Cook to serve, since his term will be impacted. Bud or Laura will serve as string person, plus Keith Cottrill, Diana Love (chair), Mike Cook, Denny Stokes.

New Business

General

Reassessment of Fee Structure within VBODA

Keith Cottrill will chair committee to reassess the fee structure of VBODA; will report to Executive Board at June meeting.

VMEA/VBODA Constitution and By-Laws issues

Concert Festival Sight-Reading

D. Armstrong: Would like to form a committee to study Concert Assessment Sightreading process. K. Taylor: tomorrow’s meeting would be a good time to get volunteers

Adjudicator Conflict of Interest Policy

Motion by Bud Hearne, seconded by Denny Stokes:

I would like to move that we add to the appropriate Section, pg. 22, #13 Administrative Responsibilities,, Sec. (1) Procurement of Adjudicators: (1d) “Any person who holds an affiliation with any participating ensemble through

teaching, clinician work, or who has a family relationship with an ensemble shall not be hired to adjudicate that district festival event.”

Motion passes.

Sight-Reading Adjudicator Conflict

Concern expressed re judging SR before the adjudicator’s group has performed at their own Concert Festival; no motion

Motion by Bud Hearne, seconded by D. Stokes:

I move that we add to the S and E Section, pg. 38, #7 Administrative Responsibilities, Sec. (1) Procurement of Adjudicators: (1a) “School educators and private instructors should not adjudicate students they work with.”

Motion fails.

String Seating Clarification

Motion by Bud Hearne, seconded by Jack Elgin:

I move that the following be added to All-State section of the Manual, pg. 55 7b (3): The violins will be seated as follows. Players ranked 1-4 will be placed at the top of the violin I section. Players ranked 5-8 will be placed at the top of the violin II section. The remaining players will be seated as ranked at the auditions.”

Motion passes.

This is a clarification/procedural motion.

Harp Eligibility

Motion by Bud Hearne, seconded by Laura Thomas:

I move to increase the number of harpists eligible to audition for All-State from each District Band/Regional Orchestra from one to two.

Motion passes.

Clarification of Solo & Ensemble dates 2011 (listed on VMEA Calendar as Palm Sun)

Appointment of All-Virginia Event Chair

D. Armstrong will like to recommend that we offer the All-Virginia Event Chair to Michelle Taylor. Will be announced tomorrow at the General Meeting.

Orchestra

Band

Jazz Festival Dates – we need to reconsider and formalize

Announcements

VMEA NOTES positions are still open

Editor

Business Manager

To the General Membership – All VBODA Committee Chair positions are up for bi-annual renewal at the end of this year. Anyone interested in holding any of these positions (read your manual!) should contact your next President, Keith Taylor.

Next Board Meeting: June 23, 2010, 1:00 pm @ Mountain View High School

Motion to adjourn by Bud Hearne, seconded by Keith Cottrill, motion passes.

Adjourn 4:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Laura Mulligan Thomas 4/30/10