

VBODA General Meeting Minutes  
10:00 a.m., Saturday, April 5, 2014  
Virginia Tech, Blacksburg VA

Call to Order

Steve Rice

*S. Rice stepping in for Allen Hall because Allen is injured. S. Rice apologized for leaving out All-Virginia Orchestra when greeting All-Virginia Band and Orchestra students and directors at beginning of All-Virginia event.*

Review of Voting Procedures

Steve Rice

Roll Call

Laura M. Thomas

*District 1: Rob Blankenship for Danielle Yonkers  
District 2: Bryan Webb for Ken Poe  
District 3: Mark Givens for Jay Sykes  
District 4: Kevin Hall for Matthew Phillips  
District 5: Matt Baraclough for Matthew Schucker  
District 6: Frankie Nettles  
District 7: Mark Collins for Justin Comacho  
District 8: Doug Spruill for Martin Blount  
District 9: David Van Gelder  
District 10: Gary English for Joe Labrie  
District 11: Andrew Loft  
District 12: Michael Hackbarth for Grayson Fore  
District 13: Jason Hackworth for Laura Bock  
District 14: Ryan Dempsey  
District 15: Doug Armstrong for Allison Gorski  
District 16: Paul Shoremount*

Minutes from last meeting (9 AM, Thursday, November 21, 2013 Hot Springs, VA)

Laura M. Thomas

*Motion to approve by D. Stokes, seconded by K. Taylor, approved*

Treasurer's Report

Keith Cottrill

*\$122,510.64 in checking account  
\$13,834.81 in CD  
\$136,345.45 total assets*

Committee Reports/VBODA Operations

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1. VMEA/VBODA Fall Conference  
*Conference proposal deadline was April 1  
Audition tapes to Linda Gammon by May 1*

2. All Virginia Auditions

C. Finnegan/S. Rice

*160 band judges stepped up for 140 slots; tried to utilize a mix of representation  
250 JMU students volunteered*

3. All Virginia Band & Orchestra Event

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2015 Event April 9-11

Location: Christopher Newport University (confirmed)

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Conductors: Symphonic Band: Lawrence Stoffel – California State University-Northridge  
Concert Band: Damon Talley – LSU  
Orchestra: Dr. Anthony Maiello, George Mason University

2016 Event April 7-9

Location: George Mason University (ten)  
Conductors: Symphonic Band: Col. Michael J. Colburn, USMC  
Concert Band: Greg Bimm, Marion Catholic High School  
Orchestra: tba

*Gratitude expressed to Dave McKee, Darrell Pearman, Polly Middleton, Andrew Putnam, and Va Tech student volunteers for hosting the 2014 event. Also thanks to Adam Foreman for taking care of all the All-Va paperwork.*

4. Orchestra Representative Carrie Finnegan

5. VBODA Marching Band Assessment Committee Brandon Neal

*Daniel Upton, asst. band director at Harrisonburg HS, presented report for J.R. Snow. 35 judges hired for next year so far. Judges will be posted on line so you can review before selecting your requested site. Next year hiring will begin in October. Goal to be clear and transparent.*

6. Scholarship Committee Carl Bly

*Will be presented at this afternoon's concert. Only six applications this year; this is an \$8,000 scholarship—please submit names!*

7. Legislative Report Steve King

*Marching Band/PE credit bill passed through the house, but got stuck on Health issue—didn't pass this year but will be submitted again next year. Homeschool bill (Tebow) didn't pass this year. Stay tuned. Your input does make a difference.*

8. Manual Committee/Legacy Recording Stan Schoonover

*Apologies for defective thumb drives. Next year Selected Music Guide will be online. Board will decide in June how to handle the Handbook portion of the Manual; possibly online. 1040 participation fees paid this year, consistent with past several years. 400 new pieces reviewed for Selected Music Guide. Next year is 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VBODA. If you have old All-State programs, Festival programs, etc., please contact Stan. We will post previous years' All-Virginia Band and Orchestra recordings online.*

9. Website Report Andrew Loft

*New website launched in February, continually being updated. Michael Hackbarth is taking over as website manager, gratitude expressed. **Please do not share web login and password with parents.***

10. All-VA Jazz Ensemble Committee Cathy Fisher

Old Business

1. Concert Adjudication Report Carl Bly

*Session presented at Conference was well-attended and received. Send feedback to Carl re revision of Concert Adjudication sheet.*

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2. Sight Reading Committee Report Diana Love

3. Manual Revision Report Denny Stokes

*New section 3-9 (Operations) replaced old sections 4-10. Will be in operation as of June meeting.  
First manual published in 1949.*

New Business

1. General

a. Judges' Training Andrew Loft

*Seventy attended Adjudicators Training this morning, very successful.  
Goal to have at least two trained judges on each panel.*

2. Orchestra Carrie Finnegan

a. Orchestra Assessment Sightreading Committee Bud Hearne

*Bud is leaving Virginia; Christina Hans is taking over this committee.  
[Christina.Hans@cpschools.com](mailto:Christina.Hans@cpschools.com); let her know if you want to be on this committee.  
This year two pieces were commissioned for SR this year, written by Tod Parrish. By 2016, we  
will have all of the string sightreading composed rather than using published music.*

3. Band Tim Rossetini

a. All-VA Percussion Audition Review Committee final report

*New procedure shorted percussion audition from 14 minutes in 2013 to 10'30" this year  
Entire percussion auditions completed 90 minutes earlier than in 2013*

b. Commission work for the VBODA 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Stan Schoonover

*Steve appointed Andrew Loft and Carrie Finnegan to head committee to commission work.  
Contact Allen Hall if you want to be on the committee.*

Announcements Steve Rice

a. Committees

- i. *Committee chairs, please submit reports to secretary electronically/digitally*
- ii. *Please submit a list of the members of your committees to president, secretary, website chair*

b. Congratulations to our Music For All National Concert Band Festival Performers

*Brian Thomas, JEB Stuart, Invited Band  
David Enloe, Hickory HS, Featured Band  
Deanna Kringel, Oscar Smith HS, Invited Orchestra  
Andrew Loft, Eric Hong, Robinson Symphonic Band, Featured Band*

c. Congratulations to our Honor Band directors and schools (*read at general meeting*)  
*Special recognitions for multiple year Honor Bands and Directors also read*

d. Congratulations to Melinda McKenzie Hall, who was just inducted into the American Bandmasters Association.

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Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, June 18, 1PM at Glen Allen HS  
(10700 Staples Mill Road, Glen Allen, VA 23060)

*Motion to adjourn by Keith Taylor, seconded by Rob Carroll*  
*Meeting adjourned at 10:28*