

SCKMEA Board Meeting

August 15, 2009

Members Present: Scott Hay, Craig Gray, Jeff Yearout, Shawn Knopp, Gretchen Bixler, Cindy Anthony, Melissa Watkins, Kyle Hopkins, Kristy Smith, Theresa Smith, Holly Taylor, Larry Brownlee

The Minutes from the May 2, 2009 meeting were approved as amended.

Scholarship Application and Information

Scott Hay presented the scholarship application that he has developed. It was amended by the board and approved as amended.

It was decided that the amount of the scholarships would be set at \$250 for each of the three scholarships; wind/percussion, choral, and string.

Craig moved that the scholarship application be approved in the form presented. Gretchen seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Shawn moved that the first scholarship be presented this school year. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

MS Band Lynette Pelischek will be the MS clinician.

MS Choir Everything is posted on the website. Matt Huth from Iowa will be the clinician. He would like to drive so we will pay the mileage or amount of the airfare, whichever is less. Schools MUST send a balanced quartet...unless they contact the chair for approval.

HS Jazz Auditions will be at McPherson College.

Elementary Everything is set in motion. Prices have been raised to \$10. Cindy would like to invite the chairs of the other districts to attend out workshop and teachers from other districts would also be invited to attend, if they pay the \$10 fee. No out-of-district students would be allowed to participate. Discussion was made on the quality of program printed for the workshop. Current practices will be continued.

HS Band Clinicians will be Vic Markovich and Jeff Pelischek.

HS Choir Choir is ready to go. More information will be sent to the webmaster. One of the clinicians would like to have a string quartet arrangement made for one of the selections. Melissa will check to see if there are any copyright considerations that we need to consider.

A survey will be distributed to choir directors at auditions. The survey is in relation to wording in the KSHSAA regs. which states that any accompanist (other than pianists) for large vocal ensemble performances at State Festival must be a student.

Orchestra Everything has been submitted to the webmaster.

Mentor Gretchen has called all school districts to compile a list of new and young teachers and contacted many of those teachers. She will make more contacts next week. Gretchen and Holly will do a workshop on Sept. 19. The information will be posted on the web site. Senseney will be providing the place for the workshop and also provide a light breakfast. There is a mentor page on facebook...KMEA Mentors.

Finance Current balance in checking account is \$4212. That is down \$1198 from our beginning balance last year. We also have \$21,582.68 in a CD. There is an outstanding bill of \$10 from Wellington HS for a participation fee not yet paid. That will be added onto their bill of next school year.

Website

Clinician bios and pictures are past due and need to be sent to the webmaster ASAP!

Titles and performance information needs to be sent to Scott by October 1.
Student names need to be sent to Scott as soon as auditions have been completed.

Jeff distributed a copy of the registrations pages to each of the chairs. Any changes need to be made as soon as possible.

State Board Meeting Information

Scott read from his notes of the state board meeting.

At the December convention:

Instrumentalists need to discuss freshmen participation in State Groups.

Need to discuss the use of intelligent music at solo festivals.

Discuss the KSHSAA regulations about the use of instrumental accompanists for the State Large Group Festivals.

Postcards

Discussed whether it would be necessary to send postcards to all districts to inform them of KMEA. It was decided that all information would continue to be sent through emails. Larry and Cindy will take care of sending the email.

Next Meeting

Next year's meetings will be held on January 23, 2010 at 10:00 AM and in August.

Outstanding Teacher

It was moved by Cindy that no candidate can receive the award for outstanding teacher more than once in each category. Motion passed 7-2.

Selections for 2009-2010 Outstanding Teacher are:

Elementary—Ricki Emery at Pray-Woodman, Maize School

Middle School—Laura Carpenter, Robinson Middle School

High School—Layton Nance—Cheney High School

Scott will request bio and photo from the honorees and send it to the committee for a vote on the nominee for the State Outstanding Teacher.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM