

# SCKMEA Board Meeting

July 16, 2011

Members Present: Gretchen Bixler, Jordan Northern, Dawn Blue, Shawn Knopp, Craig Gray, Scott Hay, Larry Brownlee, Nick Engles, DeeAnn Freeman

**State Board Meeting Report:** Gretchen reported that the state will start publishing an on-line Music Review. The state board will want feedback on the online version to make a decision on whether to continue it or not. There will be both a printed version and the online version this year.

Discussion was held on the requirements for students to be enrolled in band/choir/orchestra in order to audition and participate in the District/State honor groups. No change was made in the policy. Students MUST be enrolled their school music program in order to participate.

Discussed adding Trolley/Bus transport for students and teachers at KMEA to transport students to/from lunch and hotel. The trolley would take the teachers back and forth from Century II to Old Town. SCKMEA would support that.

Solo and ensemble rubrics have been approved by KSHSAA. They will be implemented this year.

Larry and Scott reported about additions to the Required Music Lists for large ensembles.

There was a discussion about moving the official district meetings from the mini convention date to KMEA to make it easier for elementary/MS teacher to attend. We do not necessarily support this move.

Festivals Committee needs some new members. There was a discussion at the state board meeting about adding more performance groups from each school. Craig Gray and Scott Hay have volunteered to serve on the Festival Committee.

**Outstanding Teacher Nominations:** The state board is asking that when a nomination is made for the district outstanding teachers, they send in photo, resume, letters of recommendation. We have decided to wait and ask for that information only after the district has made their selection.

## **Chair Reports:**

**Elementary:** Session will be October 29, at Andover Central. Clinician will be Carol Kreuger from Emporia State University. Nick Engles will be the workshop leader.

**MS Choir:** November 5 will be the MS Festival. Terry Crull, Fort Hays State University, will be the clinician. Deadline for auditions will be on September 26.

**MS Band:** Jared Chase, Bethany, will be the clinician. Deadline for auditions will be September 12. Shawn is working with Jared Chase to select literature.

**HS Band:** Dr. Matt Smith will be the 56A clinician and Dr. James South from OSU will direct the 1234A Band. Audition deadlines will be Oct 15 for all HS entries.

**HS Jazz:** Registration deadline is Sept. 21. Auditions will be on October 5. Performance on November 5. Jazz clinician will be Frederick Burrack from KSU and Gary Ziek from Emporia State.

**Orchestra:** Benjamin Morris Cline will be the Orchestra Clinician.

**Facilities:** We will be using the facilities at Maize and Andover once again this year for District Honor Groups.

**Advocacy:** The state is working on developing an advocacy program involving influential community members to advocate for music.

**New Business:** We will continue to work to update the email list of all members of our district.

**August Meeting:** August 20, 10:00 AM at Senseney.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:40 PM.