

SCKMEA Board Meeting

January 11, 2014

4:30 PM

Henry Littich Home

Present: Shawn Knopp, Larry Brownlee, Craig Gray, Rebecca Bollig, Amy Brown, Henry Littich, Deb Lewis, Matt Hanne, and Gretchen Bixler.

Executive Director Report Amy moved the board minutes from the August meeting be approved as presented. It was seconded. Motion passed. Larry shared the financial report with the board. There are currently \$998 in unpaid fees for the high school, \$170 in unpaid fees for the middle school and \$60 in unpaid fees for the elementary.

President Shawn reported that he heard very good complements in all areas from the Fall events. He complimented the chairs on running very smooth auditions and festivals.

Old Business There was a discussion about scholarship applications. There are currently no guidelines for the scholarship application. Gretchen will draft a set of guidelines for the application and it will be sent out to the board for approval.

Discussion about web master. Larry checked with Troy Johnson about the salary he is paid to be web master from the other districts. He is currently being paid \$600. There was a discussion about whether the board would continue to employ Jeff Yearout as web master or go with Troy Johnson who is currently web master for all of the other districts. A motion was made that Shawn visit with Troy Johnson about becoming webmaster for SCKMEA and to give him the authority to hire him if both parties agree. Gretchen seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

New Business Deadlines and Dates for 2014 will be:

- May 1 Clinician contract for Fall 2013 are due to Executive Director
- Nominations for SCKMEA Outstanding Teacher are due
- July 1 All web pages are updated with Fall event information and documents
- Sept. 8 Middle School Honor Band registration deadline
- Sept. 17 HS Jazz audition registration deadline
- Sept. 22 MS Honor Choir registration deadline
- Sept. 26 Elementary Honor Choir registration deadline
- Sept. 29 Program information to Dist. President for Elementary Honor Choir concert
- Oct. 1 HS Jazz Auditions
- SCKMEA nomination for State Outstanding Teacher due to KMEA State Board
- Oct. 10 HS Choir, Band, Orchestra audition registration deadline
- Oct. 13 Program information to Dist. President for MS Band, MS Choir, HS Jazz concerts
- Oct. 18 Elementary Honor Choir and Clinic
- Oct. 24 SCKMEA scholarship applications due

Nov. 8 MS Band and Choir, HS Jazz performances
HS Band, Choir, and Orchestra auditions
Nov. 17 Program information to Dist. President for HS Band, Orchestra and Choir
Dec. 6 HS Band, Orchestra and Choir performances

Craig Gray moved that the dates for SCKMEA dates be adopted as amended. Gretchen Bixler seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

There was a discussion about the process of selecting clinicians. The discussion centered on procedures for bringing in clinicians from out of state. Amy Brown moved that our board policy state that chairs must get approval from the president for any clinician that would require airfare to get to Wichita. Matt Hanne seconded. Motion approved 8-0.

Jazz clinicians for 2014 will be Todd Wilkerson from Ottawa and Dr. Craig Treinen from Washburn.

Elementary clinician for 2014 will be Janell Krehbiel from Lawrence.

Shawn is asking that all chairs put together a list of audition procedures that will be added to the job description. This information will be available on the web site.

Recording audition requirements were discussed. Gretchen Bixler moved that the recordings be held at the site of the board president and that the board will specify each year what conflicts will be approved. Matt Hanne seconded the motion. It passed 7-0.

Jazz auditions policy was discussed. The jazz chair will be asked to enforce the instrumentation as stated in the policy. That policy states that the instrumentation will include Alto saxophone, Tenor saxophone, Baritone saxophone, trumpet, trombone, guitar, bass guitar, piano and drum set. It was decided that we need to check with the state to see if they allow valve trombones to audition for the state jazz band.

Shawn is planning on making a motion at the State Board meeting that all KMEA state honor groups be open to freshmen as well as sophomores, juniors and seniors.

Matt reported that the choir directors are interested in producing practice CDs for the women's choir. Copyright issues will be addressed and followed.

Gretchen Bixler moved that the meeting be adjourned. Matt Hanne seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM