

SCKMEA Board Minutes

August 19, 2017

Present: Bryan Kirk, Larry Brownlee, Troy Johnson, Shawn Knopp, Henry Littich, Jordan Northern, Nicholas Griggs, Gretchin Bixler, Jarl Moreland, Amy Brown, Allen Hisken, Dane Danielson, Robbie Banks, Ryan Lungwitz, Marcia Bricker

President Report:

Chairs and assistant chairs must be elected for two year terms.

Bylaws. Our updated bylaws will be voted on by the SCKMEA membership by the first of December.

Treble voice choir will be added to KMEA at the 2019 convention.

Formulas for the number of members each district will have in the State choirs will be established by a committee.

John Taylor will be searching for alternate locations for state groups that were rehearsing at the Metropolitan Baptist Church.

KMEA is looking for people to be on the Music Standards Committee.

KMEA is forming a committee to align auditions procedures and materials across all districts.

SCKMEA has changed from PepWear to Precision Engraving for our plaques and t-shirts.

Bryan congratulated the SCKMEA performance groups that will be performing at this year's KMEA ISW.

Executive Director:

Financial report.

Discussed our rotation for bringing in out of state clinicians for each of the SCKMEA performance groups. It will be discussed at the January meeting.

Mentoring:

Holly Taylor will be the regional mentoring chair. She will be working with SC and NC districts.

Terri Harpool is our district chair.

We are looking for people to be mentors. Bryan asked that board members refer possible mentors to him.

Finding new teachers in our district is a challenge. Bryan would also like referrals of new teachers.

Amy asked if SCKMEA could pay NAFME registration for all new teachers.

Elementary Choir:

Marcia reported that she is working on nailing down accompanists for the elementary choir. Clinicians and workshop clinicians are contracted.

MS Choir:

Ryan Lungwitz is the new MS Choir chair. He reported that much of the pieces are in place for the convention. Bryan said he was working to select an assistant chair.

MS Band:

Dr. Shay will be the clinician for the MS Band. Music has been ordered and information will be made available on the website so that directors will understand how the day goes for the students.

HS Jazz:

Lisa Hittle will direct the 1234A Jazz Band and Nick Schroeder will direct the 56A Jazz.

HS Orchestra:

Mark Laycock will direct this year's District Orchestra. Henry reported that there is a discussion at the state level as to whether or not to add a second, possibly string, orchestra at the ISW. If that happens, there would need to be a discussion at the district level as to whether to add a string orchestra to SCKMEA. Henry will chair a clinic at KMEA ISW to share information with Orchestra directors and gather opinions.

HS Choir:

Jarl has lined up two great clinicians. They are planning a one-hour reading session where directors can bring their favorite music for the session. Jeffrey Vinton and Billy Tally will be the clinicians.

HS Band:

Teresa Purcell and Tramon Kaiser will be the two clinicians. Shawn discussed the cost of music and stated that we cannot legally borrow music for our performances.

Web Master:

This will be the last year that we will be using the current web reports sites and registration sites.

All KMEA members are now capable of emailing everyone who is a member of a specific site, ex. MS Band, HS Choir, Jazz.

Report to your directors to include invoices with all payments.

OLD BUSINESS

Bylaws:

Shawn discussed the updates that have been made to the Bylaws.

Larry asked if SCKMEA membership needs to be given an opportunity to nominate candidates for the position of assistant chairs. There was a discussion of how the executive committee should collect candidates for nomination.

Shawn will make a few revisions as discussed and email the current version to the board. If there are no more corrections or revisions to be made, Shawn will send the bylaws to Troy to be posted on the SCKMEA website. They will be uploaded by September 1. The membership will be allowed to vote on the bylaws between September 1 and December 1.

Website:

Bryan stressed with the chairs to continue to keep information on the website up to date. Troy shared that he has a data base of clinician bios on the KMEA website. Bryan asked that everything be posted as soon as possible. All audition results will be posted at the same time. Chairs are not to share results information with anyone other than the web master and the SCKMEA executive director. Gretchen suggested that directors should perhaps have a different job at auditions each year.

SCKMEA Awards:

Nominations for Outstanding Educator and Hall of Fame will be accepted. Bryan would like more nominations as soon as possible. Our state candidate needs to be to the State President by October 1.

Calendar:

Schedule is prepared and posted.

Audition Results:

All results will be posted on the Monday after auditions. Troy will post the results as quickly as possible, beginning at noon on that Monday. It was discussed that it should be well publicized that all auditions will be posted at the same time and that the Monday following auditions will be the earliest date that they will be posted.

Amy Brown moved that we direct Troy to post on each departments web page that the Monday following auditions will be the earliest date that results will be posted. Shawn Knopp seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Budget:

Bryan would like to begin working on a budget for each department.

NEW BUSINESS

Shawn asked that all schedules be posted as soon as possible.

Festival Scores:

Troy reported on the Festival Scores program that can be used for uploading auditions for various district groups. The software is currently being used by all of the states recorded audition groups. Amy reported that as a director and as a judge, it is very easy to use. There is a fee of \$1 for each completed audition. SCKMEA is considering using Festival Scores for use for MS Band auditions rather than just using a paper audition. Allen suggested that SCKMEA pay the service fee of \$1 per audition. Allen will collect data from the MS Band directors to see if there is a desire to move from paper audition to recorded audition. Allen will bring that information to the January meeting for discussion.

KMEA Insurance:

Bryan shared the insurance information that is purchased by KMEA which will cover all voting members of KMEA and district's voting board members.

Fall Events:

Amy has volunteered to check with Clark and see if Precision Engraving would provide each chair with a flier showing items and prices for plaques and t-shirts being sold at the district events.

WSU and Friends will provide students to help with auditions.

Schedule for the HS performance date will be the same as it was last year.

Shawn suggested that SCKMEA pay \$100 for each student from our district who participates in the NAFME

Shawn Knopp moved that SCKMEA make a \$100 scholarship to each student from the SCKMEA district selected for a 2017 NAFME Honor Ensemble, pending validation of them paying their registration fee. Bryan Kirk seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

Allen Hisken moved that we elect our current chairs and assistant chairs to the SCKMEA board through the 2018-2019 year. Amy Brown seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

Shawn Knopp moved that the minutes from the May meeting be approved as presented. Amy Brown seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

The next meeting will be held on January 27 at 9:00 AM.

Ryan Lungwitz moved that the motion be adjourned. Nick seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:53 PM.