

NDMEA Board Meeting
Sept. 12, 2015
Jamestown High School

Members Attending - Denese Odegaard, Krista Salzer, Brian Saylor, Jeremy Overbeck, Jeremiah Johnson, Darcy Brandenburg (President), Sara Baumann, Brandon Bondley, Randy Hall, Erin Paulson, Gwen Hall, Cheryl McIntyre, Lindsey Tafelmeyer

Meeting Called to Order - Darcy Brandenburg, President

- I. May 23, 2015 Minutes - Motion to approve Cheryl McIntyre, 2nd Erin Paulson - Approved
- II. Reports
 - A. President Report – Darcy Brandenburg - State Conference went well, Thank you for working to make the conference run well
 - B. President-Elect Report – Brian Saylor – Attended the National Assembly and Hill Day in place of Darcy Brandenburg; ND Legislators said Music is of high importance and is being considered a core subject; Learned a lot about the work done by our national organization.
 - C. Financial Report – Denese Odegaard
 1. \$27,834.71 Current balance
 2. Outstanding balances being collected \$3,344 (NDSU, Jamestown U, Minot SU)
 - D. Journal Report – Denese Odegaard
 1. Erin Odegaard did the editing of the October journal – she will continue to help in the transition. Lindsey Tafelmeyer will be doing the Conference Journal.
 2. NDMEA will be paying Erin Odegaard, Lindsey Tafelmeyer, and Denese Odegaard during this transition year.
 - E. Executive Director Report – Denese Odegaard
 1. New page for binders (2015 – 2017 Officers)
 2. Encouraged the board to lead by example and start a Tri M chapter in their schools
 3. New Name Magnetic Name Tags will be ordered
 - F. Website Report – Denese Odegaard
 1. 27,816 visits to our website
 2. New format has been put in place – check to see if anything is needed to be added or changed
 - G. Membership – Brian Saylor
 1. Obtained list of lapsed members
 2. Sent out emails to everyone on the list – many have emailed back
 3. Can check NAFME for up-to-date report to see if the email was effective
 - H. All-State Report
 1. In celebration of All-State's 50th Anniversary, Jazz Band Director Michael Mossman has agreed to compose a work for the All State Jazz Band

2. Members may purchase used music – post on website and in journal
3. Band will be smaller by a few trumpets and clarinets. If judge determines that a student is not ready for All State, the All State Committee will honor the judge's recommendation.
4. An Excel Registration form has been created. Mail this form to the Audition Site Manager (for the site at which you will audition) with the registration check
5. Band will stay at the Bismarck Event Center instead of going to St. Mary's. All State committee will pay \$1,500 to house them at the Event Center.
6. Percussion auditions combined into one audition. Percussionists pay only one fee.
7. Concert times will remain the same as 2015
 - a. Jazz Choir & Jazz Band
 - b. Mixed Choir & Orchestra
 - c. Women's Choir & Band
8. Directors must check potential 4 year award members in two places.
9. Auditions fees remain at \$16 (Member) & \$32 (Non-member) and Registration fees remain at \$20 (Member) & \$40 (Non-member)
10. Registration must be postmarked by Nov. 2, 2015
11. The All State Manual has been reworked and is posted on the All State website.
12. 2016 All State Directors
 - a. Band – Dr. Reed Thomas – Band Director and Professor at Middle Tennessee State University
 - b. Mixed Choir – Allen Hightower – Professor of Music at Luther College (Director of Nordic Choir)
 - c. Women's Choir – Jennaya Robison – Asst. Professor of Music at Luther College (Director of Aurora and Cathedral Choirs)
 - d. Orchestra – Chung Park – University of Central Florida (Director of Orchestras and String Music Education)
 - e. Jazz Band – Michael Philip Mossman – 2013 Grammy Award nomination for "Best Instrumental Arrangement"
 - f. Jazz Choir – Greg Jasperse – Western Michigan University (Director of Vocal Jazz, composer, arranger, vocalist and pianist)
13. All State Sting Auditions will not be held in Grand Forks this year because it is not financially feasible to hold them there. There will be a review next year to see if the numbers deem it feasible. There will be auditions for band and choir in Grand Forks

III. Old Business

- A. Brandon Bondley, Band; Cheryl McIntyre, Choir; Krista Salzer, General Music; Jeremiah Johnson, Orchestra - East Region Representatives through 2017
- B. Motion to Approve Jeanne Jankowski as the Music Industry Rep – Randy Hall; 2nd Brian Saylor

IV. New Business

- A. Nominations held for West Region Representatives
 - 1. Contact nominees by end of September
 - 2. Send Darcy Brandenburg confirmed nominations by Sept. 30
 - 3. Darcy Brandenburg send complete list to Denese Odegaard by Oct. 4
- B. "Recommendation that the nominee for President-Elect must have served one term on the board prior to serving as President-Elect." Motion by Jeremy Overbeck; 2nd Randy Hall – 100% Approved
- C. Lowell Mason Donation - \$100 donation to the Lowell Mason Foundation by NDMEA
- D. TEXTING Donation - 20% to NAFME and 80% to NDMEA
"Pursue the use of NAFME TEXTING Donation with proceeds going to support music education in North Dakota." Motion by Cheryl McIntyre; 2nd by Sara Baumann – Approved
 - 1. Board will create guidelines for use of these funds.
 - 2. Cards will be printed and passed out to All State audience members
- E. Executive Board Meeting – November 11, 2015 (Jeremy Overbeck, Pres. Darcy Brandenburg, Pres. Elect Brian Saylor, Past Pres. Randy Hall, Executive Directors Denese Odegaard and Lindsey Tafelmeyer)
- F. Letter to DPI was composed in response to "Community Experts" being used to teach in North Dakota. "Send the composed letter to State Superintendent Baesler and Dr. Janet Welk stating our concern for having a "Community Expert" teaching music." Motion Randy Hall; 2nd Jeremy Overbeck – Approved
- G. Arts North Dakota – Denese Odegaard urged board members to sign up to be a member of Arts North Dakota; it provides information about music issues and ways to contact your legislators
- H. Bismarck Event Center 2019 – Denese Odegaard will look into booking for 2019
- I. Lindsey Tafelmeyer is the new Executive Director. She will be added to the checking account information.
- J. Original parts and scores for judges at festivals was discussed. These questions should be directed to NDHSAA and the Fine Arts Review Board
- K. Band Representatives discussion held on band clinician request by Bruce Pearson

Next Meeting Jan. 16, 2016 from 10 AM - 12 PM at Jamestown HS (Full Board)

Executive Board Meeting - November 11, 2015 – 1 PM in Bismarck Public Schools

For the Good of the Order –

- A. AdvancEd Rubric is online – linked from our website
- B. Conference Sessions are nearing completion

Motion to Adjourn – Randy Hall; 2nd Erin Paulson

Sincerely Submitted,
Gwen Hall, NDMEA Secretary