North Dakota Music Educators Association

March 21, 2019

Bismarck Event Center

Call to Order - Sara Baumann, President

Attending – Sara Baumann, Mark Herold, Dawna Helfrich, Lacey Hanson, Sarah Lichblau, Sara Harlow, Brian Saylor, Jeremy Overbeck, Jeremiah Johnson, David Rolandson, Elizabeth Haugen, Lindsey Tafelmeyer, Krista Salzer, Gwen Hall

Approval of January 21, 2019 Minutes – Motion Jeremy Overbeck, 2nd Lacey Hanson

1. Reports
2. President Report – Sarah Baumann – Thank you to all who have pitched in to help with the conference set-up.
3. Financial Report – Lindsey Tafelmeyer $47,663.97
4. Journal Report – Lindsey Tafelmeyer – Good number of articles for upcoming issue and thank you to David Rolandson for submitting collegiate member articles.
5. Executive Director Report – Lindsey Tafelmeyer –
   1. WISP discussion held about national and state dues.

“Raise ND state dues for active membership $3.00 from $37.00 to $40.00”

Motion by Elizabeth Haugen 2nd Dawna Helfrich – Approved

* 1. State Day at ND Capital – NDMEA Executive Team presentation for the education committee went well.
  2. Thank you to Sara Harlow, Elizabeth Haugen and Sara’s student teacher for helping set up registration on Wednesday evening.
  3. Conference Data was share on a separate sheet.
     1. Pre-registration up from 2018
     2. Ticket room being use for free for executive board room
     3. Discussion held about hosting headliners

1. Website/Social Media Report – Lindsey Tafelmeyer
   1. Traffic up with the conference coming closer
   2. Bigger conference section
      1. Pricing and payment policies are posted
      2. Registration instructions are posted
      3. Schedule and sessions page easy to use
      4. New exhibitor section on the page
   3. Updated picture of NDMEA Board members
   4. Posting is going well with good response
2. Membership Report – Mark Herold
   1. Currently 409 members – 107 expired as of 3/21/19
   2. Rewording email that is sent out to remind members to check on membership status and renewing.
3. Collegiate Report – David Rolandson
   1. Plans to elect a student member to attend NDMEA board meetings
   2. Working on student contribution to articles for the Journal
   3. Working on planning collegiate professional development at Minot State for all student members to attend
   4. Need student contact person from each collegiate organization to report news from colleges
4. All-State Report – Cheryl McIntyre, All-State Chairman
   1. Box 5 is recording again this year (2nd Year)
   2. Mark Herold has created a Google survey for All-State Ensemble members to take about Ensemble at All-State, Ensembles at home, ACT, Grade Point Average, Activities, Jobs, Post HS plans, Major Plan. Article is planned to be written about the data collected from this survey.
   3. Orchestra has auditions in Grand Forks this year
   4. Media has been contacted for coverage. Please answer any questions by media to get the word out about All-State and NDMEA Conference
   5. Directors need to closely check student names for errors and consistency between auditions results and pictures submitted upon selection.
   6. Dr. Lynn Gackle is being replaced by Sandra Babb as Treble Choir Director because of illness.
5. Old Business
6. East Representative results: Jeremiah Johnson, Orchestra; Sara Lichblau, Choir; Sarah Harlow, Band; Amy Dewitt, General Music
7. Electronic Ballots used this year. About 20% lower ballots cast compared to paper ballots in the past. 3 reminders were sent about elections. Suggestion – take out the member number for next year as the electronic ballot is being sent only to NDMEA members.
8. Legislative Ask, ND Scholarship & Elementary Music - Brian Saylor
   1. Reported a ND Capitol on what is going on in ND music
      1. Current challenges in ND
         1. Teacher shortage – leaving positions unfilled
         2. NDMEA is not in favor of licensure for community exports to teach music. Expressed interest in being at the table if alternative licensure standards are set.
   2. ND Scholarship
      1. Discussed the creation of a Fine Arts Track in addition to the current Career and Tech Education Track and Academic Track.
      2. Discussed challenge of Class B schools having only one ensemble instead of level 1 and 2 offered in larger schools. How could this be recognized to give students credit for the classes?
   3. Elementary Music – Will meet with State Supt. Baesler at a later date.
9. New Business
10. Sponsorship – Executive Board and Lindsey Tafelmeyer are actively pursuing sustaining sponsorship to help pay for the ever growing cost of putting on our NDMEA conference. Discussion was held for possible sponsors.
11. Specific Conference needs discussed.
12. 2019 Awards – Chris Harvey, Music Educator of the Year; Michael Blake, Hall of Fame; Christine and Tim Baumann, Distinguished Service Award

For the Good of the Order

1. Post Conference Meeting after Jazz Concert
2. Board Meeting – May 11, 2019 at 10 AM Jamestown High School

Motion to Adjourn – Krista Salzer, 2nd Jeremiah Johnson – Approved

Sincerely Submitted – Gwen Hall, NDMEA Secretary