

**General Fall Meeting
November 15, 2008, 2:00 P.M.
Sikeston Fieldhouse Classroom**

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President Darren Steelman.

The Secretary/Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

REPORTS:

President:

- 1) The pre-registration for Tan-Tar-A will possibly be on line, but is not yet.
- 2) They need nominations for Vice Presidents and President elect for statewide offices. The forms are on the web site – www.mmea.net
- 3) Price for auditioning groups for the State Convention is going up to cover added costs of those that are listening to the recordings. Fee will be \$25 (old fee was \$10).
- 4) They will create a specialty ensemble category for auditions at Tan-Tar-A. This will be taken from the two college ensemble category. It can be a high school specialty ensemble.
- 5) MSHSAA

There will be no rules meeting this year. You will need to attend a rules meeting every year beginning next year.

Music Manual is on the web site – www.mshsaa.org

Permanent elimination of memorization for instrumentalists

They may create a large percussion orchestra with the same rules as woodwind and brass choirs.

LATE SUBMISSION OF MUSIC ENTRIES: Each music district shall establish a Tuesday district entry deadline date. Deadline information is available through the MSHSAA Festival Manager Program and the MSHSAA website. Any director that fails to submit entry(s) or has left off entry(s) after the established Tuesday district deadline may submit these entry(s) by 4:00 p.m. on the Thursday immediately following the Tuesday district deadline. Any school submitting entry(s) after the Tuesday district deadline shall be assessed a late fee of \$100 plus a doubling of the entry fee(s). No entry(s) shall be accepted after 4:00 p.m. on Thursday. The MSHSAA Office shall be notified before any late entry(s) are accepted.

- 6) The music list has been going through renovations and should be nearly done.
- 7) Eligibility requirements will change next year.
- 8) Please give us any information that you wish to add to the district web site – www.semmea.net

Secretary/Treasurer: There will be a detailed financial statement available at the January meeting. Minutes from all meeting will also be posted on the website. We will be reviewing the financial statements in January and discussing several changes that may be necessary.

VP Elementary: Absent. No one has been appointed to this position for the next term.

VP Orchestra: Gay French reported they had 73 students audition for the All District Honors Orchestra and 49 students were chosen by a blind audition for the Orchestra. Laura Hill from Murray, Kentucky was our clinician. Lovely day and great concert.

VP JH Vocal: Jaime Supalvado reported the clinician for the Jr. High All-District choir was Christy Elsea. There were a total of 142 students (approx.) participating out of 23 schools. The accompanist for this year was Mr. Terry Edwards.

VP Vocal (9-10): The 9-10 clinician this fall was Jason Huneycutt from Nixa HS.

S = 112

A = 96

T = 36

B = 42

A total of 30 schools represented in the 9-10 choir.

The VP Vocal (9-10) position is currently open.

VP Vocal (11-12):

Beth St. John reported the All-District concerts were held at SE MO State University at Academic Auditorium on Sat., Nov. 8th at 4pm. The 11-12 Clinician this fall was Dr. R. Paul Crabb from University of Missouri - Columbia. Beth would like to thank Cape Central HS and Dina Strickert, for the use of facilities during auditions, Judy Henry from NMCC HS for taking care of Registration again this year, and Terry Edwards and Perryville HS for working on the programs for the concert.

A thank you to the many teachers and SEMO music ed. students who helped out during the audition day as room monitors, and to our accompanists on Performance day, Mary Ruth Boone~Dexter HS, Christy Shinn~Jackson HS, Terry Edwards~Perryville HS. Also to Dr. Chris Goeke for helping us out all day at SE MO.

S = 67

A = 65

T = 36

B = 47

A total of 22 schools represented in the 11-12 choir.

VP Jazz: Scott Reibolt reported that the district jazz auditions were hosted at Jackson Middle School on Tues, November 4, 2008. 18 performing members and 10 alternates were selected from 57 students representing 7 schools. We will be holding 3 rehearsals, 2 at Dexter and 1 at Cape Central in Dec, Jan, and Feb.

On Friday, February 13, 2009 following the MU Jazz Performance at Tinnin Fine Arts Center, we will hold an evening rehearsal with our clinician Doug Leibinger. We will rehearse again on Saturday, Feb. 14, 2009 and conclude our day with an evening performance at 7pm.

I would like to encourage more students from more schools to audition for our district group, as well as encourage the directors to have their students who are in this years All-District Band Jazz Band audition for the State ensemble.

VP JH Band: Billy Keys reported for JH, there were 244 students that tried out for the band. There were 110 students who made the band. Nick Leist is the clinician.

VP HS Band: Paul Fliege reported 274 students auditioned for the Southeast Missouri All-District Band on Tuesday, November 4. The All-District Band rehearsal will be on Saturday, November 15 at Sikeston High School, with the concert beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Sikeston Field House. Dan Peterson, Professor of Music and Director of Bands at Truman State University in Kirksville, Missouri will be the clinician. Randy Smith, Professor of Saxophone at Truman State will be a guest soloist.

All-State Band auditions will be held on Saturday, December 6 at Hickman High School in Columbia. This is open to all students who are members of the All-District Band and the first two alternates (honorable mention) in each section. Details regarding this event can be found at www.missouribandmasters.org. Registration deadline is Tuesday, November 25.

VP College: Buddy White reported that they will be hosting the All-District Jazz band concert again. For other performances at TRCC, check the website www.trcc.edu. There will be scholarship auditions during the spring semester for any seniors who are interested.

OLD BUSINESS:

Continued discussion on Junior High vocal All-District concerns. There were problems with numbers this year. Some directors felt like they should have been given a year to prepare themselves for only bringing six students instead of the normal eight. They felt like they should have been told this last year instead of telling them at the beginning of this school year. There were a total of 3 schools that will be bringing 8 students instead of 6. We will vote to keep this rule at the January meeting. All choir info. will be added to the website soon.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Discuss payment of choir All-District judges and registration fees for JH choir. Beth St. John recommended paying all the judges the same amount. We also discussed the JH vocal audition fees since they would like to revise the number of students participating. It was also mentioned that everyone should use the same procedures (i.e. Band pays for every student that auditions, but Orchestra only pays for students accepted). Discussion will continue once all fees and checks are processed.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Whitehead, Exec. Sec/Treasurer