

**Minnesota Band Directors Association Board Meeting
MMEA State Office Building – Conference Room A
Saturday, September 16, 2006**

Meeting Minutes

- I. Call to Order (President – Liz Jackson)
Members present: Ryan Anderson, Corey Desens, Alison Haseman, Liz Jackson, Scott Jones, Chris Halvorson, Sara Klingfus, DeAnn Klun, Jeremy Mann, David Miller, Terri Svec, Sebastian Tackling, David Trapp, and Barry Zumwalde. President Liz Jackson called the meeting to order at 10:05AM.
- II. Approval of June 2006 Meeting Minutes (Secretary – Corey Desens)
A correction from \$3 to \$5 in regards to the membership donation option to the Arts Education Consortium was noted. A motion to accept the minutes with the correction was made by Alison Haseman and seconded by David Miller. Motion passed.
- III. Reports and Updates
- A. Membership Report (Chair-Alison Haseman)
Alison Haseman reported that postcards had been sent to all Minnesota band directors inviting them to join MBDA. An email was also sent to former MBDA members reminding them to renew their membership. As of the meeting, 50 members had already registered.
- B. Honor Band Update and All State Band Report (Barry Zumwalde)
Barry Zumwalde reported that the host site for the 2007 Honor Bands, Elk River High School, has been confirmed. 6-8 Honor Band conductor, Doug Orzolek has proposed repertoire and supplementary materials. It was decided that the supplementary materials be mailed out to students with the music.
- The MMEA session with 9-10 Honor Band conductor, Mary Schneider has been confirmed. Corey Desens will contact the MMEA office to make sure the session is not scheduled at the same time as the MBDA general meeting during the clinic.
- Barry also reported on the All State Band camps and the MBDA sponsored mini camp for directors held in conjunction with the event this past year. Discussion occurred about possibly expanding the MBDA event to two days next year.
- C. Treasury Report (Betsy McCann, Liz Jackson spoke on Betsy's behalf)
Betsy McCann was not present at the meeting but submitted information regarding the finalized 06-07 budget, a summer cash flow report, and a mileage expense claim sheet.
- A motion was brought forward by David Miller, seconded by Ryan Anderson to have MBDA contribute \$200 towards the Ellis Bergstrom fund. Ellis is the son of MBDA board member and All State Jazz Education Chair, Sam Bergstrom who is currently in the hospital following a transplant surgery. Discussion occurred. Motion passed.
- D. Website Report (Jeremy Mann)
Jeremy Mann shared information with board regarding administrative use of the MBDA website. He encouraged board members who had not submitted photographs of themselves to send them to him as soon as possible. He also reminded the board that they are welcome to contribute to the website at anytime.

IV. Old Business

A. Mentorship Program (Liz Jackson)

Liz Jackson reported that MMEA is looking to MBDA to help them in implementing the instrumental music mentorship program. MMEA is looking for educators who would serve as advisors within a certain topic or subject area. Discussion occurred regarding how MBDA could help get this project going. Scott Jones made a motion, seconded by David Miller, to create a board position to aid in the mentoring task force. Motion passed. Current board members Chris Halvorson and Ryan Anderson agreed to serve as the MBDA mentorship task force chairs. Their current task is to identify individuals to serve as members. Discussion occurred as to ways to identify these individuals. Suggestions included the use of mass email and creating a link on the website.

B. Regional Restructuring Plan (Scott Jones and Liz Jackson)

MBDA board members came up with a list of band directors from each region who may be willing to aid in the implementation of the new restructuring plan. It was decided that these individuals who agree to be a part of their regional MBDA board be appointed rather than go to the general membership as a vote. Scott Jones will contact each of the people on this list to see if they are interested. Scott stated that conference calls may be used to help explain to the process. Each of the people on the list will be contacted and conference calls will have occurred by the November MBDA board meeting.

Liz Jackson volunteered to investigate amending the MBDA constitution to fit the restructuring plan.

Discussion occurred regarding regional and state honor bands for the first year of the restructuring process. David Miller and Terri Svec agreed to put some ideas together before the November MBDA board meeting.

Scott Jones stated that he would investigate checking accounts on a regional level.

V. New Business

A. Show and Tell (Liz Jackson)

Liz Jackson shared handouts titled, "Empirical Constraints on the Evolutionary Origins of Music" and "Baby Boomers and Hearing Loss: A Guide to Prevention and Care".

Chris Porter, band director at Brooklyn Center High School, presented information and pictures regarding their recent award from the Grammy Music Foundation. Chris and some of her students were part of a music advocacy day held on Wednesday, September 6, 2006, in Washington D.C.

B. Spreading the Wealth: How You Can Help! (Liz Jackson)

Liz presented to the board various ways that they could step forward and help in the organization.

C. Additional Items

David Miller asked the board for clarification on how he was to handle non-MBDA members who submit honor band recordings. Discussion occurred regarding this process.

D. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35PM

Report Submitted by Corey Desens, MBDA Secretary