**Minnesota Band Directors Association Board Meeting**

**MMEA Mid Winter Clinic Membership Meeting**

**Friday, February 17, 2012**

**1:15 am - 2:15 pm**

I. Call to Order [Charles Weise]

 A. Welcome – “What Brings Us Here”

II. Reports and Updates

A. Treasurer’s Report [Caroline Becker]

MBDA has gone through a significant process in aligning its finances. We have also applied for a 503C tax status.

B. Membership Report [Mike Moeller]

Our current membership is at 330 members. We have been working to restructure the website to streamline the renewal process for current and new MBDA members.

C. Region Reports [Region Presidents]

 a. CMBDA [Bruce Olson]

 The central region is looking for people to fill the Secretary and Treasurer positions. The central region honor bands were a huge success!

 b. NEMBDA [Jan MacDonald]

 The number of participants in honor bands continues to rise for the Northeast region.

 c. NWMBDA [Greg DeGier]

 The number of participants in honor bands also increased for the Northwest region.

d. SCMBDA [Marcia Thoen]

We are currently planning for our Beginning and 2nd Year Band Festivals on May 5th.

e. SEMBDA [Amanda Kaus]

Regional honor bands and BBF/2BF are being planned.

f. SWMBDA [Brock Duncan]

We had great turnout for the regional honor bands even with weather difficulties.

D. State Honor Band Audition Report [Tara Michlitsch/Mary Rehaume]

Audition materials will be available online beginning August 1st. Auditions will be submitted 100% online next year and directors must have their MBDA membership up to date as of November 1st to submit auditions.

E. State Honor Band Event Report [Pam Redlinger/Paul Gronert]

The state honor bands will take place on April 21st and 22nd in Fergus Falls. All information will be sent out very soon.

F. Summer Symposium Report [John Ginocchio]

Please consider attending the summer symposium in Duluth. David Newell, Brent Michael Davids, Wendy Barden, Dave Hagedorn, All State Directors, Steve Peterson, and John Huth will be presenting. We will also be starting a band director band that will be conducted by Jerry Luckhardt. Visit www.mbda.org for more information.

III. New Business

A. Website [Charles Weise]

Charles Weise discussed the process of implementing a new website for MBDA. Sandra Reihl with Saris Designs was hired to design and maintain the website.

B. April Band Director Workshop [Alicia Neal]

This event will take place on April 21st. It costs $10, please encourage all to attend. Scott Jones, Dave Mendenhall, Leigh Wakefield, Michael Buck, and Tim Mahr will be presenting.

C. Mentorship Program [Joni Sutton/Charles Weise]

The mentorship program was described to all in attendance. Professionals are encouraged to discuss this opportunity with young educators.

D. Native American Commission [Bruce Olsen]

The history and process of the Native American commission were presented by Bruce Olsen. These pieces will be premiered at the 2013 State Honor Band Concert.

IV. Parting Words “Refocusing on Talkin’ Band” [Charles Weise]

The meeting adjourned at 2:06 PM.