



MBDA Central Region Officers

Bruce Olson, President
Steve Boulka, President-Elect
Susan Potvin, Secretary
Steve Lyons, Treasurer

MBDA Central Board of Directors

Michael Knutson, Membership Chair
Brett Krohn, 9-10 Honor Band Chair
Susan Potvin, 6-8 Honor Band Chair
Laura Boillat, Beginning Band Chair

April 14, 2012 @ 8:00am
CMBDA Regional Board Meeting
Linda's Café, Rogers

AGENDA

I. Meeting was called to order at 8:10 am. Steve Lyons was absent.

II. Secretary Report - Susan Potvin

A. No changes to previous meeting minutes. Motion to approve minutes of January 7 meeting by Laura, second by Brett. Motion passed.

B. Discussion of whether to activate a Google docs account for sharing of documents/information between board members. Advantage is that it would be readily accessible to each board member and easy to update.

III. Treasurer Report - Steve Lyons

A. Reviewed financial report document from Honor Bands.

1. We came within about \$200 of our budget.

2. Motion by Bruce, second by Steve Boulka, to keep next year's budget the same as this year (student fee of \$25, t-shirt included). Motion passed.

B. Who should a 1099 tax form for Brett Michael Davids come from? Bruce will check with the state level.

IV. CMBDA Officers

A. Membership Voting Process Report - Michael Knutson

1. About 25% of our regional membership voted in the recent election.

(Approximately 20 of 80 members.)

2. Discussion of effective means of dissemination of information and timeliness of membership communications.

3. For future elections, continue to keep the process online so that we can compare participation data from year to year.

B. Election Results for term of school years 2012-13 and 2013-14

1. Secretary = Lynn Richter, PACT Charter School

2. Treasurer = Brian Duffy, Coon Rapids HS

3. 6-8 Honor Band Chair = Andy Nelson, Milaca HS

a. 2013 Festival Location = possibly Milaca

i. moves festival out of metro area, which has plusses & minuses

ii. performance would be in gymnasium

iii. discuss more in June

C. Transition Process

1. Hand materials/binders over to new officers during June meeting
2. Transition Meeting will be a morning the week of June 11, 2012
 - a. Bruce will notify us more specifically of the date
 - b. 9:00 am, Linda's Café in Rogers

D. Discussed development of mass communication to all schools in CMBDA Region containing membership info, benefits of membership, dates of events, etc. to be mailed in August.

1. Michael has access to regional membership side of state website now so updating and distributing information and reaching members should be easier than it has been in the past.

E. MBDA Website

1. Until further notice, please send website updates for our regional page to Sandra, the webmaster, at mbdawebsite@mbda.org

F. Discussion of potential honor band conductors

1. Will discuss more in June
2. We need to verify the date for 2013 - possibly January 19
3. Possibilities include Pete Habermann, Concordia; Wendy Barden, Osseo

V. Beginning HB Festival Preparations – Laura Boillat

A. Laura did not get a response when she asked state level for a listing of region members who teach elementary and middle school. Discussed ways to obtain more people that would send kids to the festival.

B. Saturday, May 5, 2012 @ Monticello Middle School (no facility fee!)

C. Guest conductor is Lee Kjesbo.

D. Rehearsal schedule: 8:00 Registration; 8:30 – 9:15 Rehearsal; 9:20 – 10:05 Sectional; 10:05 – 10:25 Snack Break; 10:30 – 11:45 Rehearsal; 12:00 Concert

E. Sectionals – still in need of a few more section coaches

F. Snack information

1. Laura is making a donation request of Cub Foods in Monticello.

G. Percussion equipment needs

1. In need of pots and spoons – Susan will bring these

F. Festival Concert Program

1. Draft was shared
2. Will be printed at Laura's school

G. Music (to be selected from the following)

Heavy Metal, Scott Watson
Canal Street Festival, Quincy Hilliard
Bridgeway March, Quincy Hilliard
A Shaker Hymn, John O'Reilly
Sakura, Michael Story

H. Schmitt Music is donating the literature

1. Will be given out to directors who submitted student names.
2. Will sort music after concert, distribute to those present, mail to those not
3. Student participants will sign a thank-you for Doug Schmitt

I. Other details

1. Metals will be handed out during registration and students should wear them
2. Laura will contact Monticello Chamber of Commerce to inquire about coupons from local restaurants to give to participating families, encouraging them to dine out in Monticello following the concert.

J. Festival Budget

1. As decided at 9/17/11 meeting = \$250 for conductor, \$50 for section coaches.

2. Fee per student is \$17.00.

VI. Grade 2 Native American Composition by Brent Michael Davids

- A. Draft of “Indian Story Time” was previewed.
- B. Suggestions shared regarding key signature, percussion scoring, part doubling, range, rhythmic figures, etc.
- C. Draft will be shared with a few middle school directors for preliminary “play testing” by their bands
- D. Discussed whether curriculum materials should include a PowerPoint presentation; consensus was to keep the material centered around what Brent Michael Davids already included (written story material, resources for contacting tribes), perhaps looking into a way to share examples of what individual schools have done with the learning and performance of the piece
- E. Timeline – both pieces will be completed by September 30, 2012. Next year’s honor band conductors will program the piece for the January 2013 CMBDA festival.
- F. Discussion about February 2013 MMEA Midwinter Convention
 - 1. A session will be dedicated to these pieces.
 - 2. May include a band performing the pieces
 - 3. May include presentation by Brent Michael Davids
 - 4. Consensus was that there should be more than one session available.
- G. Marketing of Completed Commissions
 - 1. We need a designated person from the CMBDA board take the lead in the marketing and publicity of the piece through the MBDA website.
 - 2. Central region board members should stay involved with the promotion of the commissions to ensure that members know it is available.

VII. Next Meeting

- A. Will occur during the week of June 11, 2012 @ Linda’s Café in Rogers.
- B. Bruce will communicate the exact date and time after coordinating with old and new board members.
- C. Agenda will include transition of responsibilities to new board members.

VII. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Potvin
Secretary