CMBDA Meeting
Saturday, January 7, 2012
8:00 am – Linda’s Café, Rogers

I. Meeting called to order at 8:02 am.

II. Secretary Report – no changes to previous meeting minutes.

III. Treasurer Report – no change in fund balance at this time, until honor band deposits are made
   A. Use the debit card or a check for purchases rather than doing reimbursements for paying out of pocket
   B. Will need to issue a 1099 for Brent Michael Davids because of payment

IV. Report from Honor Band Chairs
   A. 6-8th grade = 88 students selected
   B. 9-10 grade = 96 students selected
      i. In both cases, though many students were turned away, the instrumentation of nominees does not provide enough for two balanced bands of each grade level.
      ii. Coordinators will contact conductors for seating charts, sectional ideas, program order, etc.
   C. Beginner Band Festival = May 5 at Monticello Middle School
      i. Lee Kjesbo is guest conductor
      ii. program will include 4 full band pieces and section features
      iii. Kjesbo will send program selections to Laura by Feb. 1
      iv. Schmitt Music will be approached about donating music
      v. Cost of metals for participants will be approximately $2.10 each
         - Laura moved to raise the fee for participants to $17.00, Steve Lyons seconded, motion passed.
      vi. Hoping to have about 75 kids participate.

V. Membership Report
A. Frustrations involved with getting information in a timely manner from the state level regarding who the paid regional members are.
B. Unpaid directors of honor band students will be reminded to submit dues

VI. Honor Band Festival Details –
A. Registration = alphabetical, 3 lines per band (*ended up using two*)
   i. students receive a pre-printed name tag upon registering
   ii. name tag has a code number on it to indicate size of t-shirt
   iii. students will find where to sit in the band by locating the large name card on their chair/stand
B. Schedule = same as in previous years
C. Locations = we are sharing Elk River HS with a wrestling tournament
   i. Susan is meeting with John Rosner, site host, on Monday 1/9 to go over logistical details of lunch, sectionals, coats & case storage, director’s room, etc.
   ii. Set-up will take place on Friday 1/20 after school for anyone who can help
D. Recording = Doug Bakkum; Bruce will pick up 400 order forms to put in programs
E. Lunch = Steve Lyons will order pizza from Chanticlear (order more than last year)
F. Program = Susan will finalize and send documents to Steve Boulka to print through his school district; reformat to give more recognition to Schmitt Music
G. T-shirts = distribute after final rehearsal of the afternoon; wear for concert
H. Stage tear-down = enlist help of directors present
I. Music Giveaway, sorting & distribution
   i. Laura will head this up
   ii. Include all directors who sent students to the event
   iii. Drawing will take place prior to director’s clinic
   iv. Sort music immediately following concert, directors who won it take it with them if they are present
   v. A thank-you letter needs to be written to Doug Schmitt.
J. Other details
   i. Microphone needed on stage
   ii. Need access to printer and copier during the day
   iii. Director’s clinic at 2:30 – 4:00 pm with Brent Michael Davids.

VII. Commissioning Project
A. Contract details were presented on the back of the agenda.
B. Each MBDA region will contribute $1000 for the commission.
C. Hoping to do lots of promotion and marketing in the 2012 – 2013 school year.
D. Steve Boulka is heading up the educational/curricular component of the project.
E. Brent Michael Davids will present a session for directors at the Honor Band Festival from 2:30 – 4:00 pm. He will receive a $300 stipend for this.

VII. MMEA Convention
   A. Bruce invited all board members to attend the MBDA meeting at The Seasons room on Friday afternoon of the convention

VIII. Region Elections
   A. Open positions = secretary, treasurer, 6-8 Honor Band coordinator
   B. Potential nominees were brainstormed.
   C. Contact people on the list by January 21 to ask of their interest in serving
   D. Bring up available positions at director’s meeting during honor band.
   E. Email membership to ask for additional nominations
   F. Mike will look into using Survey Monkey for voting purposes.
   G. Steve Boulka moved and Mike Knutson seconded to have the election conclude by April 13, so that results can be reviewed at our April 14 meeting.
   H. Mention voting via Survey Monkey during Director’s Clinic.

IX. Other Business
   A. MBDA website – Updates that had been sent to webmaster are no longer appearing since the new website went live. Susan will send all documents/updates she has on file to Steve Boulka for posting on our region page.
   B. Next meeting is rescheduled from April 7 to April 14th @8 am Linda’s Café.
      i. Agenda items: Work on Beginner Band Festival items and review election results.

Adjourned at 9:50 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Potvin, secretary