January 8, 2011
Linda’s Cafe, Rogers
8:00 am

Agenda
I. Call meeting to order
II. Secretary’s Report
   A. Minutes from the Sept. 18 meeting were approved by Lynn, second by Steve.
III. Treasurer’s Report
   B. Prior to large deposit being made for honor band, account shows $3515.04. Motion to approve by Lee, second by Lynn.
IV. Report from Honor Band Chairs
   C. Lynn will...
      1. Pick up snacks
      2. Order pizzas
      3. Send email reminder to section coaches
   D. Susan will...
      1. Create programs
      2. Print programs either at school or Kinko’s
   E. Schedule for the day
      1. Keep the same as last year.
      2. Dean Sorenson will provide professional development for band directors in the afternoon
   F. Percussion needs
      1. Send Brian Duffy (site host) a list of what is needed
      2. Steve offered to bring instruments needed
   G. Registration
      1. Have multiple lines for checking-in
      2. Upon check-in, a parent contact name and phone number needs to be written on the form (INCLUDE THIS ON NEXT YEAR’S FORM!)
   H. Certificates
      1. Would students value having this as a memento?
2. Steve will ask his para to create certificates after Lynn & Susan email the list of participants to him

I. Set-Up
   1. Brian Duffy will help us set-up as much as possible on Friday night

V. Discussion of Honor Band selection process
   A. We have huge numbers of nominees. Do we expand our offerings to include more students, or do we change the nomination and selection procedures?
      1. Offering multiple honor band events on different days and at different locations could be a solution.
      2. Increase membership before we increase our offerings!
         a. 39% of the directors in our region are CMBDA members
         b. 58% of members have kids in the honor band
         c. Central region would benefit from some clarification of our boundary lines – some directors register as members of our region yet their school is not on the website roster of central region schools.
   B. Selecting talent
      1. Whether or not student was in the group in a previous year should NOT be taken into consideration
      2. Publish the nomination and selection procedure for all to see
      3. Change the nomination form so that more specific information can be given about each player.
   C. Conclusions
      1. Keep one 6-8 honor band and one 9-10 honor band.
      2. Question the state board about boundary lines.
         a. If a school is on the boundary, do they have flexibility to choose their region?
         b. Could website be programmed to automatically show what region you are in when you enter your contact information?

VI. Brainstorming for new officer
   A. Ballot for open positions will be available at honor band event.
   B. Announce from stage during concert that directors who are present should vote if they haven’t already.
   C. As board members make contact with potential nominees, send email to board to confirm interest.

VII. Week of January 31-February 4, email communication reviewing honor band festival information to report to MMEA MBDA meeting.

VIII. Other items for consideration
   A. Newsletter Idea
      1. Front and back piece of paper, member spotlight, short articles, focused on our region
      2. Discussion about adding a position to the board whose job it is to be in charge of communications, such as print newsletters.
a. Could this fit in the president-elect job description?
b. Would not want to hinder anyone’s participation on the board by overwhelming them with the prospect of information gathering or formatting.

IX. Meeting Adjourned at 9:52 am. Motion by Lynn, second by Lee.

Next Meeting is **Saturday, April 9, 2011 at 8:00 am - Linda’s Café in Rogers.**