

SOUTH CAROLINA MUSIC EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, May 10, 2014

Irmo High School

6671 St. Andrews Road, Columbia, SC 29212

AGENDA

Pre-Meeting – Calendar Meeting 9am

Call to Order by President at 10:10 am

Mark Britt, President of SCMEA presiding

Members Present

Mark Britt – *President, SCMEA*

Christopher Selby – *Immediate Past-President, SCMEA*

Lisa Rayner – *President-Elect, SCMEA*

Patti Foy – *Executive Director, SCMEA*

Joe Meshach – *Parliamentarian, SCMEA*

Leslie Hicken – *President, Band Division*

Gina Jolly – *President, Choral Division*

Donna Barrick – *President, Elementary Division*

David Perry – *President, Higher Education Division*

Colleen Marcou – *President, Orchestra Division*

Anthony Lenti – *President, Piano Division*

Martin Dickey – *Past-President, Band Division*

Marianne Holland – *Past-President, Piano Division*

Joe Gullledge – *President-Elect, Band Division*

Elise Helms – *President-Elect, Elementary Division*

Doug Presley – *President-Elect, Higher Education Division*

Margaret Selby – *President-Elect, Orchestra Division*

Carlton Kinard – *President, Collegiate Membership*

Christine Fisher – *Chair, Government Relations*

Christi Lewis – *Chair, Membership*

Jason Sprankle – *Editor, SC Musician*

Steve Rummage – *Chair, Technology Committee*

Sharon Doyle – *Chair, Conference Committee*

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

- Mark Britt welcomed Carlton Kinard, new President of Collegiate Division

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Motion and second made to approve the SCMEA Executive Board Meeting minutes from February 6 and 9, 2014. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CALENDARS

- Motion and second made to approve the SCMEA 2014-2015 Calendar. Motion passed unanimously.
- Each division will email their tentative SCMEA 2015-2016 Calendar dates to Lisa Rayner (lisamrayner@yahoo.com), who will compile and then email the calendar to Board members for proofing. A vote to approve the Tentative SCMEA 2015-2016 Calendar will be held at the August 9th SCMEA Board Meeting.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

- Jeremy Lane has accepted the position as Music Department Chair at the University of Arkansas, Little Rock, and has resigned his position as the Editor of the SC Musician. Jason Sprankle has been appointed the new Editor of the SC Musician. This will create an opening for Conference Equipment Chair.
- Susie Lalama will take over as the new Collegiate Membership Chair in August.
- Mary Lou Schweickert is the new chair of the Tri-M Music Honor Society.

SCMEA STATUS REPORTS

Executive Director's Report – Patti Foy

- Patti Foy distributed Balance and Profit & Loss Sheets for review by the Board.
- Motion and second made to approve the Financial Statement from the Executive Director. Motion passed unanimously.

NAfME Updates – Mark Britt

- In late June the National Leadership Assembly will take place in Reston, VA. Mark Britt, Lisa Rayner, Chris Selby, Patti Foy, and Carlton Kinard will be attending.
- CAEP (The Council of Arts Education Presidents) met last fall and will be meeting again on June 17th in Columbia. Lisa Rayner will be attending.
- The deadline for All-National Honor Ensembles is May 15th. Mark Britt and Chris Selby encouraged our leadership to submit more auditions. We need to have a better representation from South Carolina.

Teacher Evaluation Update – Mark Britt

- Mark shared the following updates on behalf of R. Scot Hockman, SCMEA Education Associate for the Visual and Performing Arts at the State Department of Education.
- The Instructional Data Team's (IDT) evaluation proposal was approved by the State Board of Education for first reading on April 9th. IDT has been working closely with arts educators from around the state to gather input concerning the proposed evaluation system. The second reading of the proposal is scheduled for June 11th. Districts are aware that they can continue using their current evaluation system through the end of school year 2014-2015. Work is being done on the Student Learning Objective guidebook.
- The SC Council of Arts Education Presidents (CAEP) continues to monitor the process and seek ways to proactively interact with the SCDE and the State Superintendent's Office: "Because we are confident in the work our music teachers are doing in the classroom, we welcome the opportunity to be evaluated in a positive, supportive environment."

OLD BUSINESS

Job Descriptions – Lisa Rayner

We are continuing our efforts to create a job description and timeline for all Offices and Committee Chairs/Reps. Please email your list of duties and timeline to Lisa Rayner if you have not done so.

DIVISION REPORTS

- Please register and post Division reports to the SCMEA Executive Board Forum on the SCMEA website.

Band Division – Joe Gullledge, *President-Elect*

- No report
- Do we have a contact person at the Hilton for securing hotel rooms? Sharon Doyle suggested April Wheeler as the contact at the Hilton. (a.wheeler@hospitality.com)

Choral Division – Gina Jolly, *President*

- Choral Division officers met last week to finalize dates for the SCMEA Calendar.

Elementary Division – Donna Barrick, *President*

- John Jacobson will be the clinician for Fall Workshop
- The Elementary Honor Choir rehearsal/hotel site in Columbia will be the Marriott Courtyard.
- Elementary Division is trying to negotiate a Friday evening event for the Honor Choir participants and their parents. (Tickets to the Zoo, EdVenture, etc.)
- Parking is a concern for the Saturday morning Honor Choir Concert.

Higher Education Division – David Perry, *President*

- No report

Orchestra Division – Colleen Marcou, *President*

- No report

Piano Division – Anthony Lenti, *President*

- Piano Division's report is posted on the Executive Board Forum
- Entertaining the possibility of changing the date of the Piano Festival from April to January to better accommodate the "down time" between the Festival in April and the performance at the SCMEA Conference in February.
- There seems to be a shortage of high school students with good accompanying skills. In collaboration with Gina Jolly the piano division hopes to provide a workshop of some sort that would address piano reading skills for accompanists.

COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

- Make sure to post reports on the SCMEA Executive Board Forum.

Awards Committee – Chris Selby, *Chair*

- Will be updating the nomination forms
- Would like to see nominations submitted online

- We need to explore the possibility of an SCMEA Teacher of the Year Award – perhaps division award winners first, then choosing the SCMEA Teacher of the Year from those winners. Divisions are interested, but would like to have further discussions concerning guidelines and criteria.
- Chris Selby will explore the guidelines of states that already have a Teacher of the Year Award.

Collegiate Membership – Carlton Kinard, *President*

- Carlton announced the new officers for the Collegiate Division:
 - Carlton Kinard, Newberry College, President
 - Julie Tran, Converse College, Vice-President
 - Alex Helm, Furman University, Treasurer

Government Relations – Christine Fisher, *Chair*

- Read to Succeed Bill looks like it's going to pass. Did get language in both bills that include arts language specifying "text" should be from within our art area. House version has all elementary teachers taking 6 hours of reading courses. Senate version still debating this. Early/Middle/Secondary teachers will be required to take one 3 hour reading course. Elementary teachers will be required to take two 3 hour reading courses. This will greatly affect Higher Education and how they are going to fit these required hours in the coursework of their majors.
- Full-time Child Development Program for 4K is on the horizon. We need to supply support and extra training for music teachers who will have to teach 4K students during their school day.
- Funding for our Arts Curricular in Education Grants may be affected by the House SC Jobs, Education and Tax Act.
- Right now 100 Amendments are still sitting on the Senate desk for approval.
- Funding is still on board for elementary music technology funding.

Historian Report – Les Hicken, *Band Division President*

- Les will be speaking with USC about archiving the SCBDA and SCMEA materials. One concern is who owns the material if the USC Library archives it. Up to 3-4 designated people/offices would have the right to check out items for display at SCBDA or SCMEA events. Everyone else would be able to view the collection at the library.
- Marianne Holland mentioned that the Caroliniana Library is housing some SCMEA items to include choral and piano materials as well as All-State recordings.
- We need to contact the Caroliniana Library to confirm that they are indeed housing SCMEA materials and investigate the terms of the agreement
- Do we want separate entities to store the SCBDA and SCMEA items?

Membership Committee – Christi Lewis, *Chair*

- Cynthia Taylor will be Christi's new assistant
- Christi is excited to have wifi and will be bringing i-Pads and laptops to registration next year

SC Musician – Jason Sprankle, *Editor*

- Would like to see the job description for Editor
- Temporary Email Address: villagemuse@yahoo.com
- Jason has been working with Jeremy to make the transition to SC Musician Editor

Teacher Education Committee - Doug Presley, *Chair*

- No report

Technology Committee – Steve Rummage, *Chair*

- Not much going on in the technology world.
- Willing to help divisions with any technology concerns. Please feel free to email him with questions/requests, etc.

NEW BUSINESS

Higher Education Proposal (HS/Collegiate Mini-Conference) – David Perry

- After meetings with Kim Counsel and much discussion, the Higher Ed Division is excited to propose a South Carolina Future Music Educators Symposium – A Mini-Conference within the SCMEA Professional Development Conference
- David Perry presented the Board with the Mission: To encourage and equip the “best and brightest” high school music students in South Carolina to enter the profession of music education.
- Goals, staffing, resources, logistics, and a sample schedule were provided for consideration by the Board.
- Sharon Doyle suggested that we include a scholarship opportunity for students who cannot afford the hotel.
- Christine Fisher suggested that we pair high school students with collegiate students in some sort of social event, as well as allow collegiate students to present at the mini-conference.
- David Perry will revisit the chaperone guidelines.

Motion and second made to accept the proposal for the South Carolina Future Music Educators Symposium – A Conference within the SCMEA Professional Development Conference. Motion approved unanimously.

Website Update Proposal – Mark Britt

- Mark Britt and Lisa Rayner met with Trinh Hoang and William Hall with NAFME last October for initial discussions on creating a new SCMEA website. They have already created our SCMEA Conference online registration.
- Mark shared with the Board the Web Development Proposal from NAFME and examples of other websites that NAFME has already created.
- We need an infrastructure on who maintains the main SCMEA pages and the division pages. Concern from the band division is ongoing maintenance of the site – will it accommodate any additions/changes to keep the site relevant and support the capabilities and turnover of several online event registrations.
- Mark has made a commitment to investigate the costs of both maintaining the website and creating and maintaining the division websites to share at the August 9th Board Meeting.

Motion and second made to allow the Board to contract Cogent Path to build a website for SCMEA. Motion approved unanimously.

Planning Process for 2015 Conference – Sharon Doyle, Jason Sprankle, Mark Britt

- Every division must complete Session Planning forms for conference.
- Please plan on one session sponsored by your division during your times. Do not double book times.
- There will be no warm-up space.
- We need to know the number of buses on the session planning forms so that meters can be bagged and marked for each bus. If the bus will need to stay parked for time beyond performance times, please notate on the form.
- The outside corridors that are not exit areas will be draped for instrument cases.
- Possibility for equipment committee might be Tri-M groups from the area. Each division is still responsible for having an equipment chair. Equipment onsite is not free – we are still working with the same rental company.
- Sharon Doyle will have projected costs for equipment, food menu, etc. at the August 9th Pre-Conference planning meeting.
- Please think about the piano needs – would 2 pianos instead of 3 suffice for the ballroom space? Do we need a piano for the downstairs area for elementary?
- Looking at Ballroom A for the band because it backs up to equipment storage. Possibly B and C staying an open area for performances – possible choral sessions. Collegiate would be in one of the Congaree meeting Rooms. Elementary would be in Richland Meeting Room A. Orchestra in the Carolina Meeting Room without the wall – seats 130 people. That leaves us 5 additional spaces for At-Large and Industry showcases during each hour. Every time we pull an air wall in the building, there is a 30 minute required delay between sessions.
- If you are within the Convention Center you must use their food services. You may not bring in an outside vendor. However, we are not required to purchase a certain amount of food.
- Piano Rentals will come from Rice Music House.
- All Conference Forms due by the August 9th meeting NOT September 1st.
- Sharon Doyle will have the forms available on the website next week. Industry forms will be due September 1st. Hopefully Sharon will be able to give feedback to each division by October 1st. General Session people will need to be selected by October 1st. The complete program should be set by November 1st.
- Band Division and SCBDA Board Meetings will be in the Conference Center. Choral Division can have their Thursday evening meetings in the Convention Center as well.
- Considering an option for a Continental Breakfast from 8-9 am on Friday and Saturday with the General Session starting at 9:30 am on Friday.
- Carefully consider whether we want to denote sessions by title, division or category (advocacy, performance, etc.)
- We need to decide who/how many groups will be performing at the General Session so divisions can plan. The Elementary Honor Choir will be using all ballrooms from 7:45-9:45 on Saturday morning. The first session time available for division performances is at 10:15 am on Saturday.
- USC is expanding their campus in the Vista. Will construction limit our number of parking spaces?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- STEM to STEAM Events in September at Chapman Cultural Center and in Columbia in October.
- Division reports need to be uploaded to the forum.
- Next Board meeting is August 9th at 10:00 am at Irmo HS

Motion made to adjourn the meeting. Second made, and motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 1:26 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Rayner, *SCMEA President-Elect*