

Madison County Music Educator's Association
Meeting Minutes
Friday, March 13, 2015
Vernon-Verona-Sherrill Central School

Districts Represented: Brookfield, Camden, Cazenovia, Chittenango, DeRuyter, Madison, Morrisville-Eaton, Oneida, Stockbridge Valley, VVS

**Note: if you were in attendance at the meeting and your school is not listed, please make sure you sign the attendance sheet.*

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:32 PM

- II. A. Secretary's Report – Lisa Stearns
Motion to dispense with reading of the minutes:
Maveret Umstead
Second: Deb Holling
So Moved

- B. Treasurer's Report – Jamie McCarthy
- Please let Jamie or Margie know of any retirees
- Scholarship applications are due June 1st
Motion to Accept
Kathy DiNardo
Second: Diane Parker
Report Accepted

- C. Vice-President's Report – Maveret Umstead
- DeRuyter will host the audition festivals again next year

- D. President's Report – Margie Hawthorne
- Shared thank you note from Michael Morehouse
 - Music Literacy Conference – 3/20
- E. Choral Representative Report: Amanda Hughes
- Festival ensembles off to a good start
 - 2015/16 Festivals:
 - 9-12 Chorus – Marc Green - Conductor
 - Holly McCoy – Chair
 - Accompanist needed
 - All positions needed for 6th, 7-8 Chorus
- F. Orchestra Representative: Jen Guhin
- 71 students participating in 9-12 Orchestra
 - 2015-16 Festivals:
 - 6-8 Orchestra – Jill Pierce – Conductor
 - Katie Hess – Chair
 - 9-12 Orchestra – need all positions
- G. Band Representative: Dave Hawthorne
- 2015-2016 Festivals:
 - 5-6 Band – Jeanne Pizzuto-Sauve – Conductor
 - Nate Kaercher - Chair
 - 7-8 Band – Dan McCollum – Conductor
 - Bill McCoy – Chair
 - 9-12 Band – Conductor TBA
 - Holly McCoy - Chair
- H. Government Relations: Nick Anderalli
- Spoke on NYSSMA Day in Albany
 - New NYSSMA Manual coming for next year
 - Jazz Auditions – separate audition for lead trumpet
 - Hand written letters to Gov. get a response – “unwritten rule”

I. Festival Chairperson: Jamie McCarthy

- Many thanks to VVS for hosting

J. Audition Chairperson – Lisa Stearns

- 3 sight reading rooms for 2016 Vocal auditions
- read festival information sent to you and communicate to avoid conflict and to be sure your students know the correct requirements

K. Web Master – Eric Feola

- New music purchases – let Eric know for inventory lists
- please make sure your directory information is current

III. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

- Proposed 2015-2016 Budget

Motion to approve: Jamie McCarthy

Second: Deb Holling

ACCEPTED

- Motion by Kevin Johnson to increase the stipend of the Audition Chair position

Second: Deb Holling

Motion amended to include all stipends: Kevin Johnson

MOTION TABLED until June meeting – ALL IN FAVOR

*Jamie will “crunch the numbers” and we will discuss this item at the June meeting

- BOCES Library for sheet music – not interested

- 2015- 2016 Proposed Slate of Officers:

President – Maveret Umstead - Madison

Vice President – Kevin Johnson - Cazenovia

Secretary – Lisa Stearns - DeRuyter

Treasurer – Jamie McCarthy – M/E

Band Rep. – Dave Hawthorne - Oneida

Choral Rep. – Amanda Hughes – Camden
String Rep. – Jennifer Guhin – Camden
Public Relations – Matthew Stearns – Chittenango
GRC – Nick Anderalli- Camden
Holly McCoy – Holy Cross
Motion: Nick Anderalli
Second: Diane Parker

V. Dates and Reminders:

- June MCMEA meeting – Monday 6/15 – Roselle Lynch residence
- 2015-2016 Festival Dates:
 - Monday, 9/14/15 – MCMEA Fall Meeting
 - Saturday, 10/31/15 – Auditions - DeRuyter
 - Fri/Sat. 1/22-23/16 – All-County – Oneida
 - Saturday, 1/30/16 – Auditions – DeRuyter
 - Fri/Sat 3/18-19/16 – All-County – Camden
 - Music Educator’s Day – 10/23/15 - Tentative

IV. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn: Shari O’Conner
Second: Nick Anderalli
Meeting Adjourned: 7:21 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

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