

Madison County Music Educators Association
Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 18, 2024 - 6:30 PM – Theodore's

Districts Represented: Camden, Chittenango, DeRuyter, Holy Cross,
Madison, Morrisville-Eaton, Oneida, Stockbridge Valley

**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 6:24 PM

II. A. Secretary's Report – Lisa Stearns

Motion to Dispense – Dave Hawthorne

Second: Nick Anderalli

So Moved

B. Treasurer's Report – Jamie McCarthy

Motion to Accept – Heather O'Connell

Second – Roselle Lynch

So Moved

C. Vice-President – Matthew Stearns

An invitation to the September meeting will be sent via
Google

D. Band Rep: Dave Hawthorne – No Report

George Jweid is the new Band Rep.

E. Choral Representative – Heather O'Connell – No Report

Sent out an email regarding next year's festivals

Everything needed except:

6th Grade Chorus: Alex Palese – Chair

Roselle Lynch - Conductor

F. Orchestra Representative: Jen Chase

Conductors and Chairs all set for 2024-25

G. Audition Chairperson – No Report
October 26 – Cazenovia – All Groups

H. President – Ryan Hobart –
NYSSMA fees are going up for everything effective 3/25.
Please reference Page 14 in the May/June School Music
News

I. Web Master– Matthew Stearns
All-County Band Set C Audition music changes will be posted
soon
Staying with our current site as others are too expensive

J. Government Relations – Nick Anderalli – No report

K. Publicity – George Jweid – No report

L. Festival Chairperson –
Oneida – January 17-18/25
Canastota – March 14-15/25 (Alt. M/E)

III. OPEN BUSINESS:

A. All-County Band Set C Audition music completed and will be
posted on website

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

**A. MOTION by Matt Stearns to approve the following
addition/edit to the Handbook:**

Under Ensemble Chair Duties:

*When auditioning soloists, find 3-4 teachers to sit on a “panel” to
help with auditions*

Second: Alex Palese

NOT PASSED

- B. MOTION by Jamie McCarthy to approve the following addition/edit to the Handbook:**
Under Vocal/Band/Orchestra Rep Responsibilities:
Remind ensemble chairs to look at the Handbook for guidelines regarding specific chairing “responsibilities/deadlines etc.”
Second: Adriel Schoeck
PASSED
- C. MOTION by Margie Hawthorne to amend the following addition/edit to be then added to the Handbook:**
Under Vocal/Band/Orchestra Rep Responsibilities:
Provide a detailed report of activities at scheduled MCMEA meetings or provide an in person or an email report if you cannot attend.
Second: Jamie McCarthy
PASSED
- D. MOTION by Matt Stearns to approve the following addition/edit to the Handbook:**
Under Officer’s Responsibilities:
Abolish Public Relations position/5th Vote
Second: Heather O’Connell
1 Opposed
PASSED
- E. MOTION by Ryan Hobart to approve the following addition/edit to the Handbook:**
Under Officer’s Responsibilities:
Remove the voting power from the Past President but keep it as a position
Second: George Jweid
NOT PASSED
- F. MOTION by Matt Stearns to approve the following addition/edit to the Handbook:**
Under General Rules:

**No teacher should be in any situation where a potential conflict of interest could arise.
A conflict of interest is when an individual's personal interests may compromise a decision that may benefit the individual or the individual's school district.**

**Second: Dave Hawthorne
PASSED**

**G. MOTION by Jamie McCarthy to increase the Rep Stipend from \$100 to \$200.
Second: Dave Hawthorne
PASSED**

**H. MOTION by Heather O'Connell to replace "Good Day, Dear Heart" with "Come Again" By John Dowland in the Choral Audition rotation.
Second: Margie Hawthorne
PASSED**

*Holy Cross will be hiring a PT Vocal teacher –
2 afternoons a week – 7/8 and 9-12 Choir
Familiarity with Catholic Mass a plus

V. Dates and Reminders:
2024 – 2025 Festivals:
9/24 – Fall Meeting Date and Location – TBA
10/11/24 – Music Educator's Day - Oneida
10/26/24 – ALL AUDITIONS – Cazenovia
1/17-28/25 – Winter All-County – Oneida
3/14-15/25 – Spring All-County - Canastota
6/25 – Spring Meeting date and Location - TBA

VI. Adjournment: 7:26 PM
Motion to adjourn: Nick Anderalli
Second: Margie Hawthorne

Respectfully Submitted,

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