

MSBOA Winter Meeting: Gracie's Country House, Burt, Michigan-January 13, 2003

1. Meeting called to order: 7:13 p.m.

Members and guests present: Ann Schoelles-Midland, Kathy Peretz-Midland, Chris O'Connell-Midland, Jim Huber-Midland, Bill Monroe-Midland, Scott Vetter-Bath, Patrick Dudzinski-Laingsburg, Cory Hutchison-Durand, Mike Bentley-Byron, David Lea-Corunna, Beth Bergh-Perry, Garret Ernst-Perry, Michael Norman-DeWitt, Nick Pourcho (student teacher)-DeWitt, Greg Wells-DeWitt, Stephanie Harrington-Byron, Andrew Wendt-Saginaw Arthur Hill HS, Iris Haynes-Saginaw Township White Pine, Nancy Benjamin-Hemlock, Ruth Ann Knapp-Saginaw City, Mike Vierow-Saginaw Township White Pine, John Andrusiak-St. Charles, Cally Campbell-Bridgeport/Spaulding MS, Kari Compton-Freeland, Justin Comerford (student teacher)-Bay City Western, Kristy Keenan-Bay City Central HS, Craig Heydenburg-Bay City Western HS, Diane Stoddard-Bangor Township Schools, Roger Weyersberg-Ovid/Elsie, Jennifer Wilcox (student teacher)-Ovid/Elsie, Jason Canze-Ovid/Elsie, Tim Nadeau-Bay City Central HS, Michael Curtis-Saginaw Swan Valley, Jim Hargett-Saginaw North MS, Steve Rodriguez (student teacher)-Frankenmuth, Denise Compton-Frankenmuth, Jeannine Coughlin-Saginaw HS, JoAnn Gross-Shepherd, Mike Tolrud-Owosso MS, Patrick B. DeWitt-Alma MS/HS/College, Ed Turner-Durand, Chris Orlik-Mt. Pleasant, Laura Fry (student teacher)-Owosso HS, Roger Stevens-Midland, Rodney Lamar Page-St. Johns, Heidi Ott-Bay City Western MS

2. Reports from Officers and Committees:

- a. Secretary: Heidi Ott

Minutes were mailed to all districts and posted on MSBOA District V website.

- Motion to accept minutes. Heydenburg/Knapp Carried

- b. Treasurer: Mike Bentley

We have \$14,752.03 in bank. This is approximate because of bills paid in the last few days. JH Solo & Ensemble Festival took in \$7,091 and \$6,503 was spent. This looks great on paper, but medals have not been purchased yet. We need about 600 medals; this will put us about \$500 in the red for this festival. Lost revenue per section because of added minutes to time slots. We needed one more section because not as many could participate in each section. Outstanding gate receipts from Fall Marching Band Festival will cover the Solo & Ensemble costs.

- Motion to accept report: Heydenburg/Stoddard Carried

- c. President: Roger Stevens

Ann Schoelles is in top three for Orchestra teacher of the year. Please vote at the State Winter Meeting in Ann Arbor. Congratulations to Diane Stoddard for a nicely hosted S&E Festival at Christa McAliffé. Remember the Midwestern Conference has changed names to Michigan Music Education In-Service Conference. This change has been made to allow music teachers to attend and use for professional development. You can now retrieve the S&E schedule online for High School. A suggested solo list has come out. This list will be used for three years as a suggested list and then will become a required list to be yearly amended. Beware that not all solos on the list are long enough. State HS Solo & Ensemble Festival has a site at Central Michigan University; the Grand Blanc site has been moved. Regional Jazz Festival Deadline is **February 15, 2003**. This festival will qualify jazz students for State Jazz Band.

- Motion to accept report: Gross/Andrusiak Carried

Discussion: (Jim Huber) Is the suggested solo list for state festival only? We are unsure at this time. Roger Stevens will inquire at the State Winter Meeting.

- d. Marching Band Festival: Roger Weyersberg

Festival went well. We made money from gate receipts on this festival. If you are interested in hosting this event, please attach a diagram of your property and how you can facilitate two warm-ups and the appropriate marching facility. Site will be voted on at spring meeting.

- Motion to accept report: Wendt/Compton Carried

- e. Solo & Ensemble: Garret Ernst

Well done, Diane Stoddard and Bangor Band Boosters for a great site for Junior High! Adjudicator ratings were attached to report. There were three judges that received a rating of E because directors thought they should not be hired again. Thanks to all directors who sent students to JH S&E for your patience in waiting for information and times to be delivered to schools. There were some computer issues at the State office contributing to the tardiness of the schedules. Thank you to Owosso for getting all information in early. **Please be sure to include a check for payment as well as 2 copies of the forms when registering for any S&E festival.** Schedules for HS S&E should be in the mail soon. Remember we are trying to have all members register for festival on-line. Garret received a few "old" forms in the mail. There was some concern about the new scheduling system placing students in back-to-back events. This is currently being looked at. Some questions have been raised about the legal issues of music obtainable on the Internet. There was a situation where music was pulled off the Internet and it was allowed, but this will continue to be looked at. Breaks for the adjudicators were not put in the schedule so the festival ran a little long. Many positive comments were received regarding the new 8-minute time slot. Thank you again for your patience!

- Motion to accept report: Huber/Heydenburg Carried

Discussion: Can we see the schedule for HS S&E when it is finished? Yes

- f. Band & Orchestra: Craig Heydenburg
 Craig has received about _ the applications to date. Make sure you **finalize** the application when registering online and then print your invoices. Send signature sheets for **every** group that you register. Bangor John Glenn in Bay City is the orchestra magnet site. Bands will be placed there as well, but there is an orchestra adjudicator panel. Recording is finalized with Art Kinsey.
 Sites-
 March 7 & 8: Bay City Western, Bay City John Glenn, and Perry
 March 14 & 15: Perry, St. Johns (Friday only), Midland Central MS (Saturday only)
 If you make a mistake while registering online, you may have to fill out the entire application again depending on which browser your computer uses. This is something that Craig recognizes as a problem and is working to correct for next year.
- Motion to accept report: Weyersberg/Curtis Carried
- g. Worker Assignment: Denise Compton
 No report
- h. Junior High All-Star Band: Roger Weyersberg and Jeannine Coughlin
 The results were posted to the yahoo talk groups online. They are also available at tonight's meeting along with music for nominated students. There were some new schools registered this year, which is nice to see. **There will be no home stays this year.** Roger Weyersberg has 40 rooms reserved at the Best Western Hotel in Saginaw at a discounted rate. Please contact him if you are interested in staying the night on Saturday. Directors need to get Jeannine a list of percussion needs as soon as possible so nothing will be missing. Directors are: Patrick Dudzinski (C/D) from Laingsburg and Mike Tolrud (A/B) from Owosso. We need a volunteer to bring music and direct the Director's Jazz Band. Please see Roger Weyesberg if you are interested.
- Motion to accept report: Andrusiak/Campbell Carried
- i. Festival Improvements: JoAnn Gross
 Get any concerns to JoAnn to bring to the next meeting. She was one of the only district representatives that didn't bring concerns to the meeting. Many items were defeated: If a director is put on probation should the probation follow the teacher to a new school? **Defeated** Wanted to open up Junior High Basic Music List by allowing them to jump up into high school categories? **Defeated** Bands performing for Michigan Music Education In-Service Conference would be automatically registered for state B&O festival. **Defeated** Discussed having an alternate State S&E site because of State Festival falling during spring break. Came down to a money issue. **Defeated.** Have the music selection committee for Basic Music List review the arrangements, especially on the orchestra list, and work to ensure that the original also be placed on the list. Pushed to Music Selection committee to try to make adjustments for next school year. Pushed to Music Selection Committee. **Passed** Voted to add the term "FTE" to the application for Band & Orchestra Festival to help remind directors to find out how many "FTE" students and adjust their classification accordingly. **Passed** A clinic option will be made available at State Band & Orchestra Festival to replace sight-reading. Clinic would not be rated and sight-reading would not be a part of final rating. Final rating would be concert ratings only. **Defeated** All bands and orchestras must perform different selections every year. Groups should not be allowed to play the same music until the freshman class in that band has graduated. **Defeated** There should be a consistent policy for festival deadlines and grace periods between the state and districts. **Defeated** Change the Band and Orchestra form to read "the number of sheets of music needed per part. Do not indicate the number of players. **Passed** Marching Band Committee will work toward the inception of an MSBOA Marching Band Invitational to be held at Ford Field. Each group would receive a trophy. Pushed to marching band committee. **Passed**
- Motion to accept report: Hargett/Ryden Carried
- Discussion: Please be aware of the new deadline procedure for State Festival deadlines found in yearbook. There may be conflicts with the State B&O HS Festival with spring breaks. It is possible that you can apply through a request from your principle to attend the opposite weekend with your high school group.
- j. Music Education: Diane Stoddard
 Committee would like to come up with a list that would go to members and be tied to the online registration form. If you feel that your program has grown too large for the existing number of directors, then you can consult the list for some "fire power" to show your administrators. It will have lists of the number of directors in each district as compared to number of students in program as well as other information that could prove useful in persuading the hire of another director.
- Motion to accept report: Bentley/Ryden Carried
- k. Elementary Music: Nicole Bruski
 Conference was held at Grayling Middle School in November. Nicole has packets if anyone is interested the information covered at the conference. Highly encourage Elementary and Middle School Instrumental directors to attend in the future.
- Motion to accept report: Norman/Keenan Carried

1. String Committee: Iris Haynes
Middle School string orchestra.
2003 will be the second year for an orchestra site at State Festival. Encourage all orchestra directors to attend this site.

Bentley/Orlik Carried

Marching Band-Norman
No report

Member Emeritus-Weyersberg
No Report. We will have Mr. Bill Tennant attending our soring meeting. He will be hinored at the state meeting with a plaque.

MSBOA Honors?YAF-Kathy Peretz
See report for Youth Arts Festival to get more information.
District 5 pays for students to enroll for YAF. Students just need to let admisisions know that they are from district 5 and there fees will be coverd.

Old Business

There were some packets that did not reach their schools for MSBOA District 5 when Roger mailed them. Members have been taken care of when extraneous circumstances were found. Executive board will address this issue.

There are addresses and schools available online, you can get on the state website and use your member login to see addresses from all registered directr. Check to see that your address is correct in the computer.

New Business.

Should we change the date of the winter meeting to helpo those directrs that participate in fall marching festival?

When should JH S&E take place? Try to avoid spring breaks.

Calendar

Fall Meeting 9-22-03 Hargett/ defeated

Are there other dates available to help out the marching band folk?

Move to 9-15-03 Monroe/Andrusiak carries

MB Festival dates: see report Ernst/Norman carries

S&E JH: 12-6-03 Haynes/Campbell carries

Winter Meeting:1-12-04 Stoddard/Nadeau carries

JH All-star: 1-31/2-1 Stoddard/Andrusiak carries

HS S&E District: 2-21-04 Ernst/ Bentley carries

B&O District: 3-12 & 3-13; 3-19 & 3-20 Andrusiak/Haynes carries

JH S&E: 4-3-04 Hargett/Ernst carries

Spring festival could conflict with spring break.

Spring Meeting: 5-3-4 Norman/Heydenburg carries

Back to SVSU?

Discussions are ongoing to use some of the new auditoriums in our district/

SVSU is very expensive.

Some schools with newer auditoriums are able to operate all day evenm with school in session.

When we initially went with SVSU, the thought was to go during the week and that never happened. WE were back to Friday

Saturday. Nothing came of it.

No support to go back to SVSU so no action was taken.

Knapp=with all new directors in our district. There was a suggestion to have members wear name tags at meetings.

Motion to have someone provide nametags for all members at dinner meetings. Andrusiak/Compton carries

Discussion: Add the name of the school and members name. Highly valuable for new teachers as well as old.

Announcements

Michigan now has Ruth Ann Knapp stuff BLAH!

Lentines technology bust!

Kerry Compton –Freeland

Move to adjourn: Weyersberg/Compton 8:55 pm/.