

# MSBOA DISTRICT V

## Spring 2020 Meeting Minutes

General Membership Meeting: Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Our Homes : )

**Attendance:** Jeanine Ignash - Ovid-Elsie, Matt Wicke - St. Charles, Steve Shaw - Freeland, Heidi Schlosser - Bay City Western, Matt Taton - Mt. Pleasant, Jim Burkhart - Coleman, Craig Heydenburg - Bay City Western, Chris O'Connell - Midland, Craig Luft - Corunna, Michael Norman - DeWitt, Lysa Shaw - Byron, Shelby Shawl - Breckenridge, Jordan Sterk - Owosso, Stephen DeRees - Midland Dow High, Nicki Bruski - Midland, Kaitlin DeRees - Meridian, Jacob Bender - Nouvel, Ellen Burtch - Nouvel, Scott Vetter - Bath, Eric Attard - Midland, Kristy Keenan - Bay City Central, Matthew Shephard - Meridian, Jake Roorda - Fowler, Amanda Thoms - Midland, Chelsea VanderGraaff - Bay City Central, Eric Clauder - Frankenmuth, JoAnn Gross - Shepherd, Tim Newman - Alma, Steven Shaw - Freeland, Chris Deming - Swan Valley, Matt Ingersoll - Freeland Student Teacher, Scott Stewart - Saginaw Heritage High School, Mary Claire Reynolds - Beal City, Alexandria Mamassian - Midland, Mike Tolrud - Owosso, Katie Mueller - North Saginaw Charter Academy, Josephine Bossenberger - Bullock Creek, Doug Lull - Bay City Handy

I. **Call to Order - 7:03 PM**

II. **Reports from Officers and Committees**

A. **Secretary – Matt Wicke**

Discussion: None

B. **Treasurer – Steven Shaw**

**Discussion:** Why were pianos so much more expensive for S and E this year? It ended up being \$1000 more than last year. It was similar to 2 years ago though. Eric will look into it. Some sections in St. Johns did not need pianos, which is why last year was less expensive than this year's.

C. **President – Jeanine Ignash**

Try to take time to enjoy what we do have and with the students we get to work with. Maybe less time with our families.

**Discussion:** Thanks Jeanine

D. **Band and Orchestra – Heidi Schlosser**

101 total ensembles performed this year at B and O Festival. We did the time tracking at the sites this year. Only 11 ensembles had issues with timing. Ensembles that had timing issues this year were contacted and informed of their timing. Adjudicators enjoyed having the bands mixed up by classification. Hosts liked the mixture of classification as well. Recommend trying the mixture of classification for another year to see if it continues to work. We are looking at weeknight performances as an option as well. Heidi's last report as VP of B and O. Nice Job Heidi!

A survey was done with the members who were in the meeting. The survey asked about scheduling

for the dates. What dates and times do most members want to see?

**Discussion:** Mike Tolrud - Concerned that the Sightreading could be too difficult if the composer actually composed their piece based on the rubric. The pieces this year seemed to be on level, but would like caution about how difficult it could get. JoAnn Gross - feedback from adjudicators seemed to be at a level of multiple reads of the music. Also, concerns about what a loss of a trimester of school will do to bands for the coming school year.

**E. Solo and Ensemble – Eric Attard**

794 numbers of registered events. Seemed like there were a high number of conflicts with many other statewide events at the high school level. Thanks to our hosts this year. Be careful when putting in your accompanists name. If you don't know it...please don't use Jane Doe... multiple people are using that. It causes accompanists conflicts. Don't forget your principal's signature on your invoice.

**Discussion:** 15 is the piano accompanist's event limit.

**F. Adjudicators – Josephine Bossenberger**

Contracts are going out this week. Sweet!

Matt Shephard addition: There is a new online form to fill out evaluations for Festival judges. We need to do a better job of filling out evaluations for judges. 1,185 were filled out throughout the state. Only 22 of them were from District V! Quick math tells me, that's not a high percentage (1.8%). Adjudicators will get their feedback returned to them starting this year.

**G. Orchestral Activities – Amanda Thoms**

**H. Marching Band – Chris O'Connell**

October 5th - Marching Band Festival - Rain Date is the 12th of October. Apps will go out around 1st day of school.

Discussion: Gross: Have we considered later dates? Answer: we have the rain date if needed.

**I. Junior High All-Star Weekend – Dustin Vanderveer**

There is a program for all the kids selected. If you would like to share that with the students. Checks for All Star Weekend were mailed back to the address they were sent from.

**J. Festival Improvements – Chelsea VanderGraaff**

Have not met since the last meeting.

**K. Music Education – Josephine Bossenberger**

Have not met since the last meeting. Newsletter is being sent out with lots of on-line stuff...Read your e-mails.

#### **L. Member Emeritus – Eric Clauder**

Has not received any new member emeritus nominations.

### **III. Old Business**

#### **A. Mentor Program**

Overall feedback is very positive. Mentors and Mentees have all been positive about the program. Keep it up people.

#### **B. Dates for next year 2020-2021**

1. Fall Meeting: **Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020**
  - a. Uno Pizzeria, Bay City
2. Marching Festival: **Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020**
  - a. St Johns High School
3. Marching Festival (Rain Date): **Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020**
  - a. St Johns High School
4. All State Auditions: **Saturday/Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>, 2020**
  - a. Bay City Handy Middle School
5. JH S/E Festival: **Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020**
  - a. Bay City Western Middle School
6. B&O adjudicator workshop: Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020
7. Winter Meeting: **Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021**
  - a. Rustic Inn, St. Charles
8. MMC: January 27-30<sup>th</sup>, 2021
9. HS S/E Festival: **Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021**
  - a. St. Johns High School
10. B/O Festival (1<sup>st</sup> Weekend): **Friday/Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>, 2021**
  - a. Bay City Western, Perry
11. B/O Festival (2<sup>nd</sup> Weekend): **Friday/Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup>, 2021**
  - a. St. Johns, Perry, Frankenmuth
12. State S& E: Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021
13. JH/HS Band All Star: **Saturday/Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup>, 2021**
  - a. Bay City Central High School
14. Spring Meeting: **Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021**
  - a. Spencer's Route 46, Saginaw

#### **C. Dates for 2 Years from now 2021-2022**

1. Fall Meeting: **Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021**
2. Marching Festival: **Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021**
3. Marching Festival (Rain Date): **Monday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021**
4. All State Auditions: **Saturday/Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

5. JH S/E Festival: **Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021**
6. S&E adjudicator workshop is Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
7. Winter Meeting: **Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022**
8. HS S/E Festival: **Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022**
9. MMC is January 26-29<sup>th</sup>, 2022
10. B/O Festival (1<sup>st</sup> Weekend): **Friday/Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>, 2022**
11. B/O Festival (2<sup>nd</sup> Weekend): **Friday/Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup>, 2022**
12. JH All Star: **Saturday/Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup>, 2022**
13. Spring Meeting: **Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

D. Dates for 3 Years from now 2022-2023

1. Fall Meeting: **Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022**
2. Marching Festival: **Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022**
3. Marching Festival (Rain Date): **Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022**
4. All State Auditions: **Saturday/Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022**
5. JH S/E Festival: **Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022**
6. B&O adjudicator workshop Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022
7. Winter Meeting: **Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023**
8. HS S/E Festival: **Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023**
9. MMC is January 25-28<sup>th</sup>, 2023
10. B/O Festival (1<sup>st</sup> Weekend): **Friday/Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>, 2023**
11. B/O Festival (2<sup>nd</sup> Weekend): **Friday/Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup>, 2023**
12. JH All Star: **Saturday/Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup>, 2023**
13. Spring Meeting: **Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

E. High School Honors Band proposal

Committee took a lot considerations from everyone. The committee has chosen to take the approach of a non-competitive honors band. The groups will be chosen with nominations from the directors. Cost for these groups is estimated to be \$4100. Cost per student would be \$20. April 17th 2021, possible hosts would include Bay City Central and Shepherd. Clinicians for the high school and middle school have been set-up. The typed up information will be sent out with the minutes from this meeting. The HS all-star will be added to the already in place JH All-star weekend. Not sure on what a work assignment will look like.

How many students can a school nominate? MS can nominate up to 15...the minimum # of students chosen for the group is 4. Is this the same as the HS?

This is a tentative plan, as we cannot vote on it. We will be voting on it at our next meeting. Whenever that may be.

F. Commissioning

We have an agreement with Scott Boerma to write a piece for our 2022 HS All Star Band. Looking at around \$3000 for this commission. He will also be our conductor that year for our 2022 HS All Star Band.

IV. **New Business**

A. **State Office Updates**

No current updates. Discussion about the current state of education and the crisis we are facing. There is a posting for our Executive Director position.

**The deadline for the state B and O or S and E refund is due by MAY 1st. Refunds will be sent once the state office opens up again?**

B. **MS All Star Orchestra (proposal - will be voted on in the fall meeting)**

1. January 23, 2021
2. Midland Central Auditorium

We will be separating Orchestra and Band All Star weekends with HS B and O, JH B and O due to size of the groups. Hosting will rotate through the orchestras in our district. It will continue as a nominated group. Looking to keep the cost structure the same for both Orchestra and Band. We will be looking to expand this to HS in the future, and then to a full orchestra group. Wendy Tenny is tentatively available for the next All Star Orchestra.

C. **Teacher of the Year**

**Nominations for Teacher of the Year were accepted with a unanimous vote of the members.**

**Orchestra - Amanda Thoms - Midland High School**

**Band - JoAnn Gross - Shepherd High School**

V. **For the good of the order**

**You should check out the dance parties hosted by Jim Burkhart! Highly recommended.**

**LOOM - use this when you are listening to student performances. It's free right now.**

**In order to recertify this year you only need 120 Hours of Professional Development. The requirements have been lowered from 150.**

VI. **Motion to adjourn 8:36 PM - Heydenburg Support - Gross**