

MSBOA DISTRICT V

Fall 2021 Minutes

General Membership Meeting: Monday, September 13, 2021

Frankenmuth High School/Zoom

7:00 PM

I. Call to Order – 7:02 pm

Eric Clauder – Frankenmuth, Josephine Bossenberger – Bullock Creek, Philip Bossenberger – Birch Run, Christopher Deming – Swan Valley, Jenna Dornoff – Meridan JH/HS, Craig Heydenburg – Bay City Western, Jeanine Ignash – Ovid-Elsie, Charles Bicigo – Hemlock, Eric Attard – Midland, Drew Barnhart – Perry MS/HS, Nicki Bruski – Jefferson MS, Kaitlyn DeRees – Midland, Matthew Ingersoll – Chesaning, Jason Lewis – Essexville, Morgan Lillie – New Lothrop, Craig Luft – Corunna, Anna Mamassian – Midland, Dana Molands – Breckenridge, Drew Moles, Durand, Katie Mueller, N. Saginaw Charter Academy, Chris O’Connell – Midland, Jennifer Parker – St. Johns, Jake Roorda – Fowler, Heidi Schlosser – Bay City Western MS, Steve Shaw – Freeland, Matthew Shephard – Meridian, Scott Stewart – Heritage, Zavien Strickler – Essexville, Amanda Thoms – Midland, Michael Tolrud – Owosso, Louis Vajda – Mt. Pleasant, Chelsea VanderGraaff – Bay City Central, Dustin Vanderveer – Handy, Kylie Hawkins – Student Teacher Swan Valley, Matthew Wicke – St. Charles, Matt Taton – Mt. Pleasant, Andrew Warriner – Student Teacher Midland HS

Special action: Voting of District President

Motion to open the floor: Mamassian, VanderGraaff

Motion to have Eric Clauder as our president: Ignash, second Shaw

Motion to close the floor for nominations: Ignash, second VanderGraaff – motion passes

Motion to cast unanimous ballot: Ignash, second VanderGraaff, motion passed

II. Reports from Officers and Committees

A. Secretary – Ellen Burch

- a. There should not be a capital I in the minutes.
- b. **Motion: Luft, second Vanderveer, motion passed**

B. Treasurer – Steven Shaw

- a. We have a lot of money right now.
- b. We put a deposit on the commissioning.
- c. We purchased lots of medals that we didn’t get a chance to use.
- d. We want to do more things for our membership to help the members rather than continuing to always make money.
- e. **Motion: VanderGraaff, second Wicke, motion passed**

C. President – Eric Clauder

- a. Please make your voice heard. Often times we let the same core people speak their peace, but we need to hear from everyone.
- b. Be aware of your deadlines, send an email before it becomes an issue.
- c. Be aware of your work assignments.
- d. **Motion: Ignash, second Wicke, motion passed**

D. Band and Orchestra – Heidi Schlosser

- a. Still planning in person festivals. We pushed back the deadlines in hopes that we would know what is going on as the deadlines approach.
- b. District festival changes:
 - i. You can choose your classification – off of any list, a HS could play off of the MS list
 - ii. Directors can choose to do either 2 selections or 3 selections

- iii. There is a committee meeting to discuss more of these things
 - iv. We are unsure if a virtual component will be available yet
 - v. Everyone needs to attend the November 13 State meeting. Lots of things could change or be cleared up at this time
 - vi. Be sure to look at the very bottom of the B&O report
 - c. **Motion: VanderGraaff, second Vanderveer, motion passed**
 - i. Do we have an idea of participation for the year? Is there a way to prepare ahead of time, how many adjudicators will we be needing?
 - ii. Everyone in the district will be receiving a survey tomorrow that will give us a better idea of what we are all thinking, hoping for the best, but also planning for the best
 - iii. Is it possible that the fee structure going to be different based on what list we play out of? You will pay the same for the same amount of minutes. It's not based on the number of pieces that you play
- E. Solo and Ensemble – Chelsea Vandergraaff
 - a. Everything listed is good information. Check out the rules, fees, work assignments, check out the handbook
 - b. Back to the same time minimums: 90 seconds MS, 120 second HS
 - c. Be sure to have proof of online purchase
 - d. **Motion: Wicke, second Molands, motion passed**
- F. Adjudicators – Josephine Bossenberger
 - a. Josephine is taking a poll of those who want to send students to MS and HS S&E in order to get an idea of how many adjudicators to hire for these.
 - b. Be sure to speak with Josephine if you have someone you really would like her to hire
 - c. **Motion: Wicke, second Vanderveer, motion passed**
- G. Orchestral Activities – Amanda Thoms
 - a. Check your email from Garret
 - b. Orchestra reading session is good for this weekend
 - c. Register for Portage
 - d. All-Star nominations are due
 - e. **Motion: Heydenburg, second VanderGraaff, motion passed**
- H. Marching Band – Chris O'Connell
 - a. St. Johns will be hosting, judges have been hired. Roy will be sending a map to Eric so we all know what to do.
 - b. **Motion: Wicke, second Molands, motion passed**
- I. All-Star Weekend – Chelsea VanderGraaff
 - a. Inaugural JH/HS event this year. Looking forward to that.
 - b. Bay City Central will be hosting this year
 - c. Fees: \$20 per school, if you teach at MS & HS you will pay 2 of these fees
 - d. Upon acceptance there is a \$20 per student fee
 - e. 5-10 students will be chosen from each school per level
 - f. Nominations will be done via google form with 1 per student, not per school
 - g. Deadline for nominations February 4th, 2022
 - h. **Motion: Wicke, second Molands, motion passed**
 - i. Will there be chairs for the bands or a way to determine that - YES
- J. Festival Improvements – Philip Bossenberger
 - a. **Motion Wicke, second Ingersoll, motion passed**
 - b. Marching Band sheets have CHANGED – check out the new ones in the yearbook.
 - c. Motion 2: Ensembles are 1 to a part, Choirs are 2 on a part

- d. Motion 6: Is in regards to flex arrangements
- e. Be sure to email Philip if you want him to bring anything to the meeting
- f. Motion: Wicke, second Ingersoll
 - i. The ensemble vs choir discussion was in regards to Winds/Percussion and not really an orchestra thing
- K. Music Education – Josephine Bossenberger
 - a. Eric sent out the report so you can click on all of the links
 - b. With September 11 being this weekend, they provided many things you could do with that
 - c. Check out the music education website – they have a lot of great resources
 - d. There are some social emotional learning resources
 - e. They want to work on issues/positive things that go with Block Scheduling
 - f. Be sure to check out the newsletter, bi-monthly
 - g. Let Josephine know of anything you think they should look at
 - h. **Motion: Wicke, second Heydenburg, motion passed**
 - i. Is there a committee dedicated towards new music – yes as well as composers of color and females, etc.
- L. Member Emeritus – Craig Luft
 - a. If you know of any recent retirees let him know. Be sure to check out the qualifications.
 - b. These are due back to him by October 15th.
 - c. **Motion: Wicke, Second Mamassian, motion passed**

III. Old Business

- A. Mentor Program
 - a. We are gonna blow up the current program up and start over again.
 - b. Who wants to be a mentor to a new director?

- B. Dates for this year 2021 - 2022
 - 1. Fall Meeting: **Monday, September 13th, 2021**
 - a. Frankenmuth High School (Zoom available)
 - 2. Marching Festival: **Monday, October 4th, 2021**
 - a. St Johns High School
 - 3. Marching Festival (Rain Date): **Monday, October 11th, 2021**
 - a. St Johns High School
 - 4. All-State Auditions: **Saturday/Sunday, October 23rd/24th, 2021**
 - a. Bay City Handy Middle School
 - 5. JH S/E Festival: **Saturday, December 4th, 2021 (SEE NEW BUSINESS)**
 - a. Bay City Western Middle School, Midland Jefferson MS
 - 6. S&E adjudicator workshop: Saturday, December 11th, 2021
 - 7. Winter Meeting: **Monday, January 10th, 2022**
 - a. Venue TBA
 - 8. MMC: January 26-29th, 2022
 - 9. HS S/E Festival: **Saturday, February 12th, 2022**
 - a. St. Johns High School
 - 10. B/O Festival (1st Weekend): **Friday/Saturday, March 4th/5th, 2022**
 - a. Bay City Western, Owosso
 - 11. B/O Festival (2nd Weekend): **Friday/Saturday, March 11th/12th, 2022**
 - a. St. Johns, Frankenmuth
 - 12. State S& E: Saturday, March 19th, 2022
 - 13. All-Star Band: **Saturday April 16, 2022 (SEE NEW BUSINESS)**
 - a. Bay City Central High School

14. Spring Meeting: **Monday, April 25th, 2022**

a. Venue TBA

C. Dates for 2 Years from now 2022-2023

1. Fall Meeting: **Monday, September 12th, 2022**
2. Marching Festival: **Monday, October 10th, 2022**
3. Marching Festival (Rain Date): **Monday, October 17th, 2022**
4. All-State Auditions: **Saturday/Sunday, October 22nd/23rd, 2022**
5. JH S/E Festival: **Saturday, December 3rd, 2022**
6. B&O adjudicator workshop Saturday, December 10th, 2022
7. Winter Meeting: **Monday, January 16th, 2023**
8. All-Star Orchestra: **Saturday, January 21, 2023**
9. MMC is January 25-28th, 2023
10. HS S/E Festival: **Saturday, February 11th, 2023**
11. B/O Festival (1st Weekend): **Friday/Saturday, March 3rd/4th, 2023**
12. B/O Festival (2nd Weekend): **Friday/Saturday, March 10th/11th, 2023**
13. State S/E Festival: Saturday March 18, 2023
14. All-Star Band: **Saturday, April 15, 2023**
15. Spring Meeting: **Monday, April 24th, 2023**
16. State B/O Festival: April 26-29 & May 3-6, 2023
17. MSBOA Spring Honors: May 12-13, 2023

D. Dates for 3 Years from now 2023-2024 (THESE DATES NEED REVIEW)

1. Fall Meeting: **Monday, September 11th, 2023**
2. Marching Festival: **Monday, October 9th, 2023**
3. Marching Festival (Rain Date): **Monday, October 16th, 2023**
4. All-State Auditions: **Saturday/Sunday, October 21st/22nd, 2023**
5. JH S/E Festival: **Saturday, December 2nd, 2023**
6. B&O adjudicator workshop Saturday, December 9th, 2023
7. Winter Meeting: **Monday, January 8th, 2024**
8. HS S/E Festival: **Saturday, February 10th, 2024**
9. MMC is January 24-27th, 2024
10. B/O Festival (1st Weekend): **Friday/Saturday, March 1/2, 2024**
11. B/O Festival (2nd Weekend): **Friday/Saturday, March 8/9, 2024**
12. All-Star Band: **Saturday, April 20, 2024**
13. Spring Meeting: **Monday, April 22th, 2024**

IV. New Business

A. State Office updates - Matt Shephard, State President

1. Be aware of your deadlines, contact the state office before the deadline
2. You can pay by credit card now – we voted in June to only pay by credit card, but we have opened it up for both credit card or check
3. Credit card payments for the district could be coming down the road a bit
 - i. Let Eric know if this is actually something you would like to do
4. New for this year – adjudicators will have to attend the anti-biased training
 - i. This will be offered at 5 points throughout this year. It needs to be done in the next year or two
 - ii. Any new adjudicators will be doing this as part of their training
 - iii. If you are already an adjudicator you have year or two to take care of the training
5. Deadline for school membership is Sept. 20
6. October 1 deadlines – check out these
 - i. You can choose either S&E OR B&O, next year is B&O only
7. Yearbook was emailed and posted on the website

8. Check the website for All-State information
 9. S&E and B&O will be at Flushing HS
 10. Fall String Orchestra reading on Sept 18 at Lowell MS, PCEP HS
 11. MMC is January 26-29 in Grand Rapids
 12. Be sure to contact the correct VP for any rules issues
 13. Questions:
 - i. Earlier this year – trying to use the website, hadn't renewed so a director wasn't allowed entry because they hadn't paid yet, but it wasn't due until September 20th. Is there a way to still have access up until that deadline date? Matthew will check on that
- B. 2021/2022 Event location voting -
1. All-State Auditions
 - i. Bay City Handy MS
 2. Middle School Solo & Ensemble
 - i. Midland Jefferson MS
 3. High School Solo & Ensemble
 - i. St. Johns
 4. District Band & Orchestra Festival
 - i. Bay City Western, Owosso
 - ii. Frankenmuth, St. Johns
 5. **Motion Heydenburg, second VanderGraaff to accept all locations listed in 1-4.
Motion passed**
- C. **Executive Board Action** - Proposed by Schlosser and seconded by Ignash: Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, it is proposed that the District JRHS Solo and Ensemble Festival be moved to SATURDAY MAY 21, 2022 to give us time to find a host and hopefully hold the festival in person.
1. **Motion to accept Executive Board Action: Heydenburg, second Molands, motion passed**
- D. **Executive Board Action** - Proposed by Vandergraaff and Seconded by Schlosser: Due to April 16th being the Saturday of Easter weekend, it is proposed that the All-Star Band Day be moved to SATURDAY APRIL 23, 2022.
1. **Motion to accept Executive Board Action: Shephard, second Wicke, motion passed**
 - i. Something happened because ½ had 23rd and others had the 16th, but no one really knew what was going on.....
 - ii. Arris Golden and Scott Boerma like the 23rd
- E. The Rustic Inn in St. Charles closed. We no longer have a winter meeting location.
1. Pi's restaurant
 2. Anne's in Breckenridge
 3. Could we spend our money on the reservation fee
 4. The Cabin in Mt. Pleasant
 5. Spring we are looking at Spencer's Route 46?
 6. **Motion Bruski, second VanderGraaff, motion passed
To give Eric Clauder the authority to choose meeting locations that would accept our group size, also allowing up to \$200 per location to reserve space as needed.**

V. For the good of the order

1. Steve ordered Charles' gift card :)

VI. Motion to adjourn VanderGraaff, second Wicke