

ILLINOIS GRADE SCHOOL MUSIC ASSOCIATION
Northern Division
72nd ANNUAL STATE FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Monday, September 27, 2010
Holiday Inn Joliet Banquet & Conference Center – Joliet, IL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The 72nd Annual Fall Membership Meeting of the Illinois Grade School Music Association, Northern Division, held at the Holiday Inn Joliet Banquet & Conference Center in Joliet, was called to order at 10:30 A.M. by President George Pierard. A welcome was extended by President Pierard, followed by introductions of the Executive Board members and recognition of all in attendance.

Lisa Kiener-Barnett, District VII Chairperson, presented the Cloyd Myers Memorial Award to Don Crews. Retiring in June of 2010, Don has taught band at Hadley MS in Glen Ellyn since 1977. Throughout Don's career he has prepared students to excel at the IGsMA Contests and Superstate. Don has received many awards, including "Teacher of Merit," and recognition by NBA and ASBDA. Mrs. Kiener-Barnett described him as "A dedicated caring music educator inspiring students to achieve at a high level..." Mr. Crews expressed thanks for the award, saying that "this award is very humbling and I greatly appreciate it".

Carla Bollinger, District VIII Chairperson, presented the Barbara Buehlman Young Conductor's Award to Carol Janossy, Orchestra Director from Highland MS in Libertyville. Carla spoke of Carol's many years as a private teacher and her joy and passion for music and young children shown during her seven years at Libertyville School District. Carol spoke of her appreciation for the award, saying "It's about the kids and their motivation for all of us".

A motion to accept the minutes of the 2009 Annual State Fall Membership Meeting was made by Lisa Eaton.
Seconded by Carla Bollinger **Motion Carried**

Vice President John Armstrong reported that the change in medal ordering and distribution has resulted in a lower inventory of medals on hand. The stock has gone from approximately 20,000 to 1,365 medals. Mr. Armstrong indicated further changes in reference to the Vice President's office will be discussed later in the meeting.

The Audit Report of the Association's financial activity for the previous year was presented and filed.

Executive Secretary-Treasurer Edward Jones presented the Financial Report, a copy of which had been placed in the members' folders. The detailed report indicated total assets of \$32,078.56 and a cash balance of \$28,688.63 as of June 30, 2010. The report will be filed for audit.

Report of the Executive Board:

Constitution, Article III, Membership (page 4, 2nd paragraph, 1st sentence)

Jim Weir moved to add the word "**postmarked**" – All membership fees shall be paid directly to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Association **postmarked** by September 15 of the current school year. Seconded by Jennifer Ketchmark **Motion Carried**

Constitution, Article V, Executive Board (page 5, Vice President, 3rd sentence and 4th sentence)

John Armstrong moved to remove entire 3rd sentence – ~~The Vice President shall be provided a \$20,000 insurance policy for medals and awards being housed.~~ Sentence 4 - Remove "and an additional \$200.00 for home rental." – This position carries an annual salary as indicated in the current constitution addendum, ~~and an additional \$200.00 for home rental,~~ plus a personal expense account that shall include mileage at the current IRS rate per mile, meals and lodging, said expenses to apply only when the Vice President's presence is required on Association business. Seconded by Deborah Johnson **Motion Carried**

Constitution, Article V, Executive Board (page 6, Executive Secretary-Treasurer)

Lisa Eaton moved to add a new sentence – **The Executive Secretary-Treasurer shall be provided an insurance policy in an amount to sufficiently cover equipment and materials being housed.** Seconded by Melissa Schoonover **Motion Carried**

Constitution, Article V, Executive Board (page 6, Executive Secretary-Treasurer)

Lisa Kiener-Barnett moved to change Sentence 7 – Increase home rental to \$1,800.00 – This position shall carry an annual salary as indicated in the current constitution addendum and an additional ~~\$500.00~~ **\$1,800.00** home rental, plus a personal expense account that shall include mileage at the current IRS rate per mile, meals, and lodging, said expense to apply only when the Executive Secretary-Treasurer's presence is required on Association business. Seconded by Michael Brown **Motion Carried**

Constitution, Article V, Executive Board (page 6, 3rd paragraph)

Michael Brown moved to change the word shall to “**may**” – The President ~~shall~~ **may** appoint Advisors to the board with the approval of the Executive Board. The Advisors shall not have voting privileges. In the event that a specific music area (Band, Orchestra, Chorus) is not represented on the Executive Board, the President ~~shall~~ **may** appoint a consultant in that particular area. Seconded by Cliff Hunt **Motion Carried**

Constitution, Article IX, Communications (page 7)

Michael Brown moved to move 2nd sentence to Page 12, Contests – General Information, Eligibility, Item 5, Add as Sentence 2 – A State Contest/Festival information packet will be presented to the directors of organizations receiving a Division I rating at the District Contest. **Delete Article IX** Seconded by Gerry Romack **Motion Carried**

Bylaws, Page 12, Contests – General Information, Awards, Item 3

Carla Bollinger moved to add “**upon request**” to the end of the 2nd sentence – Organizations receiving a Third Division rating will receive an appropriate certificate **upon request**. Seconded by Ann Betz **Motion Carried**

Bylaws, Page 13, Student Discipline – Contest/Festival Centers, 1st Paragraph and Item 2

John Armstrong moved to replace the entire 1st paragraph as follows – **Student behavior at IGSMA events is the responsibility of the participating directors. It is expected that all participating students are supervised at all times by directors and chaperones.**

Item 2 – Remove the word “**repeated**” - In the case of ~~repeated~~ disciplinary problems from a particular school, that school may be excluded from Association affairs for one school year. Seconded by Cindy Bridges **Motion Carried**

Bylaws, Page 13, Rules Governing Solo and Ensemble Contests, Item 1, 1st Sentence (District 9 Resolution)

Sarah Corkins moved to change the 1st sentence to read – A student may participate in a total of five (5) solo and ensemble events, but is limited to two vocal ensembles, two instrumental ensembles, one vocal solo and one instrumental solo unless ~~a second solo is performed on a different instrument~~ **additional solos are performed on different instruments.**

Seconded by Ann Marie Markle **Motion Carried**

Bylaws, Page 15, Rules Governing Soloists, Item 5, 1st Sentence

Sarah Corkins moved to remove the words “**with a written accompaniment**” – All solos ~~with a written accompaniment~~ must be performed with an accompanist unless the accompaniment is listed as optional on the score or is listed as unaccompanied.

Seconded by Lisa Eaton **Motion Carried**

Bylaws, Page 17, Chorus, Swing/Show Choir – Swing/Show Choirs, Item b

Michael Brown moved to reword item b as follows: **Of the three selections, Swing/Show Choirs will perform two selections of varying style, with choreography.** Seconded by Lisa Kiener-Barnett **Motion Carried**

Edward Jones moved to change the word **competing** to **participating** wherever it occurs throughout the Constitution and Bylaws.

Seconded by Sarah Corkins **Motion Carried**

Deborah Johnson moved to include an additional State Contest/Festival date for 2011 on April 16th due to the late Easter Holiday. Seconded by Cindy Bridges **Motion Carried**

Cindy Bridges moved to purchase a new copy machine for \$9,250.00 minus a 2% discount.

Seconded by Michael Brown **Motion Carried**

Lisa Eaton moved to change the State Adjudicator Pay to \$30.00 hour inclusive of the ½ hour meeting and lunch with a minimum for \$150.00. Seconded by Ann Marie Markle **Motion Carried**

Cindy Bridges moved to reinstate State Host stipends in the amount of \$50.00 base pay per host school and \$10.00 per performing group. Seconded by Carla Bollinger **Motion Carried**

Lisa Kiener-Barnett moved for a 4% Salary Increase: Executive Secretary-Treasurer \$10, 432.00, President \$4173.00, Vice President (will be 45% of Secretary-Treasurer’s instead of 50%) \$4694.00 and Clerical \$5738.00.

Total additional monies will be \$461.00. Seconded by Deborah Johnson **Motion Carried**

New Business

The Five-Year Calendar was presented by President George Pierard. He explained the purpose and usage of the calendar.

The Annual State Fall Meeting date was set for September 26, 2011.

Report of the Nominating Committee

Lisa Kiener-Barnett, Chairperson of the Nominating Committee, reported the following nominations: George Pierard for President. Mrs. Kiener-Barnett asked for nominations from the floor; hearing none, nominations were closed. The nominations for the office of Vice President are Art Hildebrand and Terry Melbourn. Mrs. Kiener-Barnett asked for nominations from the floor; hearing none, nominations were closed. Since there is more than one candidate for an office, the vote will be done by ballot. The Election Committee will be Lisa Kiener-Barnett, Ann Betz, Jim Weir, Carla Bollinger and Cliff Hunt.

While the ballots were being counted, President Pierard inquired if the time and place of this year's meeting worked for everyone. The response was overwhelming to keep the time and place the same.

As the Election Committee returned to the meeting, President Pierard thanked Jim Weir for his service to IGSMa. Lisa Kiener-Barnett gave the Election Report as follows:

44 Ballots Cast

For President: George Pierard 39 votes
 Jim Weir 1 vote
 James Shaw 1 vote

For Vice President: Art Hildebrand 15 votes
 Terrence Melbourn 29 votes

President George Pierard and Vice President Terrence Melbourn are duly installed as officers for the 2010-2011 year.

John Armstrong was acknowledged by President Pierard for his years of service to the IGSMa. He was presented a certificate and gift card on behalf of the Association.

Hearing no other business, the 72nd Annual Fall State Meeting of IGSMa, Northern Division, adjourned at 12:15 PM.

Edward Jones
Executive Secretary-Treasurer