

ILLINOIS GRADE SCHOOL MUSIC ASSOCIATION
Northern Division
79th ANNUAL STATE FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Monday, September 25, 2017
Joliet Junior College

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The 79th Annual Fall Membership Meeting of the Illinois Grade School Music Association, Northern Division, held at Joliet Junior College, was called to order at 10:30 AM by President Lisa Kiener-Barnett. President Kiener-Barnett welcomed everyone. Following the Executive Board members introductions, Lisa recognized Justin Bangert and Phil Robb as new members to the Board, followed by introductions by those in attendance.

The Cloyd Myers Memorial Award, presented by President Lisa Kiener-Barnett, was given to Timothy Loest, Director of Bands at F.E. Peacock MS, Itasca, IL. Tim is nationally known as a composer, arranger and music educator. He has over 75 published works for young band and has written or contributed to many different method books. Tim is sought after as a guest conductor. He is a frequent guest speaker at various professional development sessions. Tim's ensembles have been active in the IGSMO throughout his career. Both his concert bands and jazz ensembles consistently receive division one ratings at the IGSMO Organization Contests.

Kim Farris presented the Barbara Buehlman Young Conductors Award to Eric Morong, Band Director at Wood Dale JHS in Wood Dale, IL. He received his Undergraduate Degree from Elmhurst College and his Master's Degree at VanderCook College. Eric is always working to be his best from the way he studies his scores to the relationship he builds with his students and the ownership and pride they show. He is very well respected by everyone he knows and is a consummate professional on and off the podium. Eric's students have received consistent high ratings at the IGSMO events as well as his Symphonic Band performing at the University of Illinois Superstate Festival in 2017. The Jazz Band will be performing at the 2018 ILMEA Music Conference.

A motion to accept the minutes of the 2016 Annual State Fall Membership Meeting as written was made by Lisa Eaton. Second by Joel Matter. **MOTION CARRIED**

Vice President Terry Melbourn reported that Award Emblem is doing a great job and all is going well. We have \$3315.60 worth of medals and medallions in stock.

Phil Robb reported that the Audit Committee met and the books are in order and moved to accept the Audit Report. Second by Linda Betzelberger **MOTION CARRIED**

Secretary-Treasurer Edward Jones referred the members to the report in their folders. The balance as of June 30, 2017 was \$20,025.57. Hearing no questions, the report will be filed for audit.

Old Business

Phil Robb moved to update the District Organization Comment Sheets to align with the State Festival Sheets. **MOTION CARRIED**

Chip De Stefano asked if the formatting of the new District Organization Comment Sheets could be redesigned to fit the placement of labels. We will work on new formatting.

Report of the Executive Board - Recommendations

Lisa Eaton moved that the IGSMO cosponsor with NBA the 2017 Band Director Workshop hosted by McCracken MS on November 7, 2017 with a contribution of \$500.00 towards expenses. **MOTION CARRIED**

John Versluis moved that in the Constitution, Page 3, Article III, Membership - 2nd Paragraph, Last Sentence to change the deadline date for membership from December 31st to November 30th. **MOTION CARRIED**
This will more align with District Contest deadlines.

Kim Farris moved that in the Constitution, Page 6, Article VI, Districts to District Number Six to remove DeKalb and Kane Counties. **MOTION CARRIED**
These two counties are in District IX.

Lisa Eaton moved that under the Bylaws, Page 13, Rules Governing Solo and Ensemble Contests, Item 16 to be moved to page 12 and create a new category: "Special Needs Students" following the Eligibility category and to add the wording at the end of the last sentence, using the form provided on the IGSMO website under Contests/Festivals. **MOTION CARRIED**
Patrick Baker suggested to add the word guardian to the parent signature line on the new form.

Deb Shofner moved that under the Bylaws, Page 14, Rules Governing Ensembles, Item 7 ó Remove the word Percussion. Item 8 ó Add the sentence: Percussion Ensembles consisting of 6-24 members may be entered. The instrumentation of these ensembles shall follow the instrumentation of the score and may be conducted. **MOTION CARRIED**

New Business

The Five-Year Calendar was updated with the 2022 year. Anyone interested in hosting a State Festival site should contact the President.

The 2018 Annual State Fall Meeting date will be held on a Sunday afternoon with time and place to be determined.

Report of the Nominating Committee

Kimberly Farris, Chairperson of the Nominating Committee, reported that the slate of officers for 2017-2018 is Lisa Kiener-Barnett for President and Terry Melbourn for Vice President.

Lisa Kiener-Barnett was elected President. Terry Melbourn was elected Vice President.

Kimberly Farris announced that Edward Jones was appointed Executive Secretary-Treasurer by the Executive Board. She also indicated the Executive board has accepted the request by the Officers and Administrative Assistant to freeze their salaries for the current year.

Joel Matter moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 AM. Second by Raymond Cannon. **MOTION CARRIED**

Edward F. Jones
Executive Secretary-Treasurer