

ILLINOIS GRADE SCHOOL MUSIC ASSOCIATION

Northern Division

62nd Annual State Fall Membership Meeting

Monday, September 25, 2000

Holiday Inn - Morris, Illinois

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The 62nd Annual Fall Meeting of the Illinois Grade School Music Association, Northern Division, held at the Holiday Inn in Morris, Illinois, was called to order at 10:06 A.M. by President Wesley Russell. President Russell welcomed the members to the meeting and introduced the Executive Committee, the District Chairpersons, and the Association Advisor. Announcements concerning voting procedures, the noon luncheon, and the "New Directors" Clinic were made.

The Ninth Annual Cloyd Myers Memorial Award for Excellence in Music Education was presented by selection committee chairperson Joseph Goble to Judy Hanson from Eisenhower Junior High School in Darien. Mr. Goble provided descriptive comments in making the presentation.

A motion to accept the Minutes of the September 1999 Annual Fall State Meeting was made by John Hansen. Second: Jan Voorhees **MOTION CARRIED**

The Vice President's Report was presented by Robert Page. His comments included a reminder to the members to care for medal purchases on the day of contest. Any medal problems or concerns should be addressed to the District Chairpersons, except for State Contests. The error on plates for State Contest Awards was explained by Mr. Page, with the assurance that all problems had been corrected with new plates.

The Audit Report was presented by committee member, John Armstrong. Mr. Armstrong indicated that the records were in order and recommended that the report be accepted. Lisa Kiener moved to accept the Audit Report. Second: Ellen Singer **MOTION CARRIED**

Executive Secretary-Treasurer Edward Jones presented the financial reports, stating that the Association had a balance of \$47,960.31 in net assets as of June 30, 2000. The report was filed for audit.

The following recommendations from the Executive Board were presented by Board Members:

- 1) Constitution, Page 2, Article IV "Officers, Executive Secretary-Treasurer" "Joe Titus moved to change the amount of home rental from \$200 to \$500. **MOTION CARRIED**
- 2) Constitution, Page 3, Article VI "Districts" "Joseph Goble moved to add Pike County to District One. **MOTION CARRIED**
- 3) Constitution, Page 5, Article XIII, Cloyd Myers Memorial Award "Edward Jones moved to add a biographical sketch of Cloyd Myers. **MOTION CARRIED**
- 4) By-laws, Page 9, under Rules Governing Solo and Ensemble Contests "Lisa Kiener moved to add new item 9, "A student shall not perform the same selection more than once at any District Solo and Ensemble or Organization Contest during the same school year" and renumber remaining items. **MOTION CARRIED**
- 5) By-laws, Page 9, under Rules Governing Soloists, Item 1 "Edward Jones moved to relocate sentences 2, 3, and 4 to Page 8 following Violations as a new unnumbered item. **MOTION CARRIED**
- 6) By-laws, Page 10, under Rules Governing Soloists, Item 4 "Jan Voorhees moved to delete "must play a minimum of two accompanists for solos or ensembles for contest purposes." **MOTION CARRIED**
- 7) By-laws, Page 12, Item 1 under Chorus, Swing/Show Choir "Ann Marie Markle moved to add new sentence 3, "Swing/Show choirs shall perform three memorized selections." **MOTION CARRIED**
- 8) By-laws, Page 12, under All Organizations "John Armstrong moved to add new item 8, "Students shall not wear medals while performing in Organization Contests" and renumber remaining items. **MOTION CARRIED**
- 9) Lisa Kiener moved that part-time secretarial for the Secretary-Treasurer's office be paid \$4,000 annually. **MOTION CARRIED**
- 10) Lisa Kiener moved that the President, Vice President, and Secretary-Treasurer receive an approximate 5% increase as follows: President \$130 (\$2,755.00) Vice President \$160 (\$3,357.00), and Secretary-Treasurer \$350 (\$7,269.00). **MOTION CARRIED**
- 11) Harold Hokenson moved that State Contest Hosts receive a stipend of \$100.00 base pay plus \$10.00 for each performing group hosted. **MOTION CARRIED**
- 12) Wesley Russell moved that the Executive Committee examine District boundaries for the purpose of clarification. **MOTION CARRIED**

District VI Resolution: John Armstrong moved that all membership dues, both district and state, be paid to the State Executive Secretary-Treasurer's office. **MOTION DEFEATED**

District IX Resolution: John Hansen moved that clinics be provided for Organizations appearing at State Contest. **MOTION DEFEATED**

Lisa Kiener, chairperson for the Nominating Committee, presented the recommendation for officers of the Illinois Grade School Music Association for the coming year: President, Wesley Russell (Elected) Vice President, Robert Page (Elected) and Secretary-Treasurer, Edward Jones (Appointed). Hearing no nominations from the floor, Harold Hokenson moved to close nominations, second by John Armstrong. **MOTION CARRIED** Lisa Kiener moved that the recommended officers be elected/appointed. **MOTION CARRIED**

OLD BUSINESS

President Russell described the operation of the IGSMMA Booth which was hosted at the 2000 IMEA State Meeting. He indicated that the venture was successful, with numerous people supplied with information about the Association. The Southern Division of IGSMMA has indicated the desire to share the booth at the next convention, also sharing the expense.

President Russell commented on the Association's Web site, describing it as an expedient way to obtain information concerning District and State level activities. Also mentioned is the desire of the Southern Division to share in this project as well.

Ellen Singer, chairperson of the "Young Conductor's Award" explained the intent of the award and the need to receive recommendations from the membership regarding criteria for the award. Though much material in place, Mrs. Singer, wishes to finalize the details utilizing member input.

NEW BUSINESS

President Russell announced the receipt of an administrator's letter which identifies the contest date conflicts between IGSMMA, IHSA, and IESA, all of whom are holding contests on the same date. Mr. Russell indicated that IGSMMA contest hosts will work with those affected to reach an agreeable solution to the problem. Mr. Winkler said that groups can attend the Friday contest at Metamora to alleviate the conflict. Mr. Russell announced that State Contest sites are needed and that those confirmed will be posted on the Web site.

President Russell announced the names of chairpersons who will lead work to develop new State Adjudication Comment Sheets. Though suggested sheets were developed by President Russell and forwarded to District Chairpersons for consideration at their fall meetings, sufficient debate over the content led to the conclusion that committees were needed for each sheet. Those chairpersons will be: John Hansen, Band & Lisa Kiener, Jazz Band & New Consultant, Orchestra & Ann Marie Markle, Choir & Jan Voorhees, Show Choir. The chairpersons were instructed to prepare the judges' sheet, a rubric sheet, and a supplemental check list of comments. Members were encouraged to contact the chairpersons to either volunteer to serve on the committees or present material for consideration. The Orchestra Consultant appointment will be announced on the Web site.

President Russell announced the State Contest dates for 2005, which will be April 22-23 for Organizations and April 28 and 30 for Jazz Bands.

President Russell announced the 2001 State Fall Membership Meeting will be held September 24th, the Executive Board meeting on September 23rd, both in Morris.

In other business, President Russell urged the membership to check the Web site regularly and to make sure the attendance form was completed and submitted.

Mary Jo Papich of the Peoria School District 150 moved to require a literature selection change in at least one of the pieces from the District to State Organization Contest. Second: Peggy Bonner. Mary Jo Papich spoke to the issue, as did several other members. The vote by hand resulted in 30 Yes and 26 No, lacking the 2/3 majority required for a By-laws change. **MOTION DEFEATED**

Following another reminder from President Russell of the noon lunch and 1:00 PM Clinic, Joseph Goble moved to adjourn the 62nd Annual Fall State Meeting at 11:30 A.M. Second: Gerry Romack **MOTION CARRIED**

Edward F. Jones
Executive Secretary-Treasurer