

ILLINOIS GRADE SCHOOL MUSIC ASSOCIATION
Northern Division
67th ANNUAL STATE FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Monday, September 26, 2005
Maria's Restaurant - Morris, IL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The 67th Annual Fall Membership Meeting of the Illinois Grade School Music Association, Northern Division, held at Maria's Restaurant in Morris, was called to order at 10:03 A.M. by President Wesley Russell. A welcome to the members in attendance was extended by President Russell, followed by his introduction of the District Chairpersons, members of the Executive Board and the Advisors.

President Russell asked the members to complete the attendance forms and outlined the procedure for the motions form.

Ellen Singer, Chairperson of the Cloyd Myers Memorial Award Committee, made introductory comments before presenting the 2005 Award to Advisor Edward Winkler. Mrs. Singer presented information regarding Mr. Winkler's career and accomplishments. Mr. Winkler graciously accepted the Award, commenting that it was the best birthday present he had ever received. He indicated that receiving the Award was quite an honor, and shared comments regarding his teaching experiences and influential persons in his life. In conclusion he stated that he would again become a music teacher if he had it all to do over again.

The Barbara Buehlman Young Conductor's Award was presented by Committee Chairperson Lisa Kiener-Barnett to Jason Kluge, a seventh year teacher. Descriptive comments were made by Mrs. Kiener-Barnett, highlighting his achievement and activities. She also made note that Mr. Kluge had been her third grade student and that she is proud of his successes. Mr. Kluge commented about the great honor he feels in receiving the Award. He thanked Mrs. Kiener-Barnett for being such a fine role model and offered thanks to all in the Association.

A motion to accept the minutes of the 2004 Annual Fall State Membership Meeting was made by Cliff Hunt. Second: Lisa Kiener-Barnett **Motion Carried**

Vice President John Armstrong reported on the status of medals and plaques in inventory and commented on the activities of his office.

The Audit Report of the Association's financial activity for the previous year was presented. The records were found to be in order. A motion to accept the Audit Report was made by Joseph Titus. Second: Peggy Bonner **Motion Carried**

Executive Secretary-Treasurer Edward Jones presented the Financial Report, a copy of which was included in the members' packets. The detailed report indicated total assets of \$18,655.35.

Report of the Executive Board:

Each member packet contained a copy of the Resolutions forthcoming from the Executive Board for their convenience in considering the Resolutions. Resolutions presented by members of the Executive Board were in the form of motions and required no second.

Wesley Russell recommended the Executive Board Meal Expenses not to exceed as follows: Breakfast \$8.00, Lunch \$12.00 and Dinner \$30.00. **Motion Carried**

John Armstrong recommended to accept Medalcraft's price freeze of \$.89 per medal through June 2007. **Motion Carried**

Wesley Russell recommended a State Contest/Festival Fee of \$3.25 per student, to include medals, awards and tapes. **Motion Carried**

Ellen Singer recommended the following bylaw change: Page 13, Number 12, Sentence One, Now reads: Vocal ensembles shall include Duets, Trios, Quartets, either single or double, boys, mixed, madrigals and chamber choir. Change to read: **Vocal ensembles shall be classified as Duets, Trios and Quartets, and may include up to three voices on each part. Motion Carried**

It was noted by President Russell that the Executive Board has accepted the Community Youth Band, sponsored by the Troy Band Booster Organization, as members of IGSMA for the 2005-2006 school year.

Edward Winkler recommended the salary of the Executive Secretary-Treasurer be increased by 2.86%, to \$9000.00, for 2005-2006, with the President at \$3600.00 and the Vice President at \$4500.00. **Motion Carried**

Edward Winkler recommended the Clerical stipend be increased by approximately 2.85% to \$4950.00. **Motion Carried**

Report of the Nominating Committee

Edward Winkler, Chairperson of the Nominating Committee, recommended the nominations of Wesley Russell for President and John Armstrong for Vice President. Mr. Winkler asked if there were nominations from the floor. Hearing none, he recommended a unanimous vote for the persons nominated. Harold Hokenson moved to elect Wesley Russell as President and John Armstrong as Vice President. Second: Lisa Kiener-Barnett **Motion Carried**

New Business

President Russell announced that the Executive Board has elected to remove the Thursday Jazz Site designation from the Five-Year Calendar.

President Russell directed the membership to note the dates indicated for the 2006 Contests/Festivals. Those are April 28/29 for Bands, Orchestras and Choirs, and May 06 for Jazz Bands.

The Annual State Fall Meeting date for 2006 is indicated as September 25.

Other

There was discussion regarding the suggestion that there be a Saturday Annual State Meeting in the future. President Russell announced that the District Chairpersons will survey their membership and report at the Spring Meeting. He indicated that the Fall State Meeting will be held in the Bloomington-Normal area next year, and alternate between a northerly and southerly meeting site thereafter.

Joseph Goble moved to adjourn the 67th Annual Fall State Meeting of IGSMA at 10:40 AM. Second: Robert Page **Motion Carried**

Edward Jones
Executive Secretary-Treasurer