

# MSBOA District VIII Spring Meeting Minutes

## May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009

### Jackson High School

544 Wildwood Ave.  
Jackson, MI 49201

President Christina Jordon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Atkins, Bickel, D., Culling, Cunningham, Detgen, Dopp, Driver, Floeter, Gott, Gronda, Hollandsworth, Jordon, Kelsey, Krieger, Lee, Mangiavellano, Marks, McCuller, McInchak, J., McInchak, K., Murray, Norman, Novoselich, Powers, Rupp, Shaner, Stiehl, Throneberry, Wittinkeller.

#### Introductions

#### Officer Reports

Bryan Mangiavellano presented the Secretary's report (No Printed Report).

- Minutes were emailed following the winter meeting.
- Officers/Chairs should e-mail reports to Bryan M.
- Minutes from the last meeting are available online

MOTION by Detgen, seconded by Shaner, to approve the report; **motion passed.**

Stacie Detgen presented the Treasurer's report. (Printed Report [1](#) & [2](#))

- Large medal order was taken and took much money out of checking.
  - This expense is only every three years.
- All festivals are breaking even, except B/O (which is losing money)

MOTION by Shaner, seconded by Norman, to approve the report;

- Discussion: Why are we losing on B/O?

**Motion passed.**

Kellie McInchak presented the Band & Orchestra report. (Printed Report)

- First weekend/third weekend of March are our weekends.
- Process of how assignments are made.

MOTION by Gronda, seconded by Powers, to approve the report;

- Discussion: When will sites be set? When all sites have been confirmed.
- Why two weekends? MME and MSVMA.

**Motion passed.**

Melissa Marks presented the HS Solo & Ensemble report. (Printed Report)

- Reasons for possible one site: easier for adjudicators. Do we want to go to one site?

MOTION by Kreiger, seconded by Shaner, to approve the report; **motion passed.**

Discussion: Two sites or one?

- Case for two sites:
  - Closer sites.
  - Schedule is not an issue.
- Case for one site:
  - We are paying partial day judges.

Consensus: Stay with two sites (no vote needed)

Chris Jordon presented the MS Solo & Ensemble report for Carolyn Sherrill. ([Printed report](#))

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MOTION by Atkins, seconded by Shaner, to approve the report; **motion passed.**

Jean Lee presented the Orchestral Activities report. (Printed Report)

- Looking to select music for mid level string clinic in fall.
- Email top choices to state chair.

MOTION by Shaner, seconded by Norman, to approve the report; **motion passed.**

Lynn Kelsey presented the Adjudication report. (Printed Report)

- Invitations went out April 1<sup>st</sup>. Getting responses back.

MOTION by Gott, seconded by Throneberry, to approve the report; **motion passed.**

Christina Jordon presented the President's report. ([Printed report](#))

- State meeting is May 30<sup>th</sup>. Items to be discussed: budget surplus and office building purchase.
- Process of music selection was discussed.

MOTION by Powers, seconded by Shaner, to approve the report;  
**motion passed.**

### Committee Reports

Sandy Atkins presented the Music Education report. (Printed report)

- Information coming this fall about a jazz band workshop (for all levels). Possible full day workshop.

Bryan Mangiavellano presented the Marching Band report ([Printed report](#))

Patty Floeter presented the JH Honors Band report. (Printed report???)

- Audition materials were commissioned. Three sets were commissioned were for \$450.
- Date: Possibly January 30/31. Possibly May 15/16.
- This year's spring date attracted 200 recordings.
- Audition process: auditions vs. nominations? Committee consensus was that the audition process is favorable.
- **Motion:** No limit will be put on the number of auditions a director can send.
  - Motion by Floeter, seconded by Culling.
  - A few directors are upset by not being able to send in audition tapes. This motion keeps directors from having to cut out students.
  - Possibility of fewer spots for smaller schools.
  - Integrity of Chairperson: most of the time schools average out in representation.
  - Middle ground: directors can send in eight tapes for every ensemble (more from 8<sup>th</sup> grade but less from seventh).
  - Call to question (Gott): **Ayes:17, Nays: 4. Motion passes.**

Marc Stice did not present the Jazz report. (No printed report)

Sheri Powers presented the Festival Improvements report. ([Printed report](#))

- Glossary of terms was discussed, defined, and will be approved at the Spring State Meeting.

- Goal: Make the language uniform in the Yearbook.
- String Chamber Ensemble language is seeking for clarification.
  - How many per part?

Nathan Heim did not present the Computer/Technology report. (No Printed report)

Joseph McInchak presented the Elem/Mus Ed. Wrkshop report. (No printed report)

- No report.

Jason Cunningham presented the Youth Arts Festival report. (Printed report)

- Not many districts send representatives.

Chris Rupp presented the Medals report. (Printed report)

- Number of medals given out were discussed.
- Three cycle of medal purchases is in place.

Joel Shaner presented the Member Emeritus report. ([Printed report](#))

There was no Commissioning report.

Kevin Culling presented the District Website report. (No printed report)

Joel Shaner presented the All-State Ensembles report. ([Printed report](#))

## OLD BUSINESS

- B&O Pilot Project: Feedback should go to Christina to take to the State meeting.
- Calendar:
  - Middle School Honors Band: May 15/16
  - B/O Deadline: January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009.
  - **Motion:** Approve calendar as corrected. Moved by Shaner, seconded by Cunningham.
  - **Motion passes.**

## NEW BUSINESS

- Expense policies:
  - **Motion:** Reduce mileage rate to \$0.48 beginning April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010. Moved by Throneberry, second by Gronda.
    - **Amendment:** Capped at \$0.48 or IRS rate (which is lowered).
    - **Motion passes.**
  - **Motion:** To change to \$0.48 mileage rate for all non-contracted services. Moved by Gronda, second by Gott.
    - **Motion passes.**
  - **Motion:** To pro-rate a wage for adjudicators working more than 16 hours in a weekend. Moved by Shaner, second by Norman.
    - **Motion passes.**
  - **Motion:** Offer an extra night of lodging for upper peninsula adjudicators. Moved by Culling, moved by Kreiger.
    - **Discussion:** Should it be based on mileage?
    - **Motion passes.**
  - **Motion:** Cap piano tuning to \$75/piano for festivals. Moved by Power, second by Shaner.
    - **Motion passes.**
  
- 2009-2010 Officers:
  - President: Jordon
  - Secretary: Mangiavellano
  - Treasurer: Detgen
  - B/O: Powers
  - HS S/E: Marks
  - MS S/E: Atkins
  - Orchestral: Amy Mahr
  - Adjudication: Lynn Kelsey
    - Motion, Throneberry to approve and close nominations and elect unimous slate, second Norman.
  - Chairpersonships:
    - Music Ed: Gott
    - Marching Band: Murray
    - Honors Band: Sherrill has volunteered to help.
    - Jazz: Stice
    - FIC: Wittenkeller
    - Computer/Tech:
    - Elementary/MS Workshop: J. McInchak
    - MYAF:

- Medals: Cunningham
  - Member Emeritus: Shaner
  - Commissioning: Jordon
  - Website: Culling
  - All-State: Larzalere
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- Teacher of the Year Nominations:
    - Band: Stacie Detgen
    - Orchestra: None

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Shaner: final concert of MYAF will be on Banddirector.com
- Gott: Music advocacy. Possibilities: top five or ten e-mails of parents to be proactive.
- Detgen: Joel Shaner is the Teacher of the Year, and will be conducting at MYAF.
- Jordon: Congratulations to outgoing officers!

Motion to adjourn by Shaner, second by Throneberry. Motion passes

Meeting adjourned at 8:27