

Minutes

Southwest District Fall Meeting

August 19, 2017 -10 am

Ocate High School

- I. Call to order - Shawn Silva, President**
- II. Approval of minutes - Spring Meeting on May 6, 2017**
- III. Thanks**
 - a. Brass Quintet, White's Music Box
- IV. Introductions**
- V. Financial Report - Tony Montano**
 - a. Balance
 - i. Motion to accept - S. Al-Masoud
 - ii. Second by R. Pior
- VI. Don Gerheart Report**
 - a. Refer to NMMEA Website for new info
 - b. Band All-State auditions at OHS
 - c. Additional dates to district calendar
- VII. District Dates**
 - a. Sept. 16. All State String Prep (Nancy Joy)
 - b. Sept. 23. Real Men Sing (Ida Holguin)
 - c. NMSU Jazz Jumpstart, Nov. 14-15 (Dr. Romero)
 - d. Las Cruces All City Band Audition, Dec. 2 at SMS (Pete Podruchny)
 - e. All State Audition dates and deadlines - posted on NMMEA website under General Info
 - f. Master calendar is available on website, for district and entire state.
- VIII. Other District Business**
 - a. Google Form for district contact info - M. Al-Masoud
 - b. VPs will contact each section by new emails (band, choir, orchestra, general music)
 - c. Nancy Joy - question about automated payments & invoices
 - i. Quicker turnaround on from invoices from registration fees

- d. MPA Discussion
 - i. Oct. 16 - Registration deadline for all sections
 - ii. Proposed withdrawal date in January (if needed)
 - iii. Cancel by Jan. 16 or pay the registration - N. Swapp
 - a. Second by C. Gerheart
 - b. Motion carries
 - iv. MPA Rubric - 0-100 Scoring
 - v. New Rubric posted on website
- e. Solo and Ensemble Discussion
 - i. Choir deadline - Sept. 7
 - ii. Band deadline - Jan. 16
 - iii. Orchestra deadline - Mar 28
 - iv. Judges Honorarium for S&E - hourly or full day
 - v. Invoices need to be paid!
- f. NMMEA All State Award Recognition
 - i. Nominees - Chuck Gerheart and Jane Gerheart
- g. District handbook is available on website
 - i. Review and follow guidelines
 - ii. Go there first for answers, then contact officers
- h. District Marching Fest Discussion
 - i. Field of Dreams, in Las Cruces, Oct. 4
 - ii. Registration deadline - Sept. 5
 - iii. \$500 to host, paid by district
 - iv. \$200 registration and entries
 - 1. Motion to accept - J. Wheatley
 - 2. Second by R. Pior
 - 3. Motion carries
 - v. Rubric similar to that of MPA
 - vi. 3 judges: marching, music and color guard
 - vii. Idea to hire someone to work on electronic file transfers

- viii. Attendance by groups should be required
- ix. Audience entrance fee \$5
- x. LCPS Band Boosters to run concessions and divide amongst groups
 - 1. Motion to accept - L. Hill
 - 2. Second by J. Sayre
 - 3. Motion carries
- i. NAFME Login Info - N. Swapp
 - i. Require membership login to register for district events
 - ii. Great group that lobbies for music education, please join.
- j. Mentorship Program within District
 - i. Based on interest / need
 - ii. Traveling costs (mileage and meals) could be covered
 - 1. Motion to accept - J. Wheatley
 - 2. Second by M. Lang
 - 3. Motion carries
- k. Mini Summer Music Conference - B. Chavez
 - i. No cost to directors
 - ii. Expansion / separation of SWHB
 - iii. NMSU faculty happy to host / organize
- l. Introduction of new NMSU faculty
 - i. Dr. John Hamilton - Director of Choirs
 - ii. Dr. Michael Mapp - Director of Bands
 - iii. Dr. Steven Smyth - Interim Associate Director of Bands
 - iv. Dr. Harim Mapp - Adjunct Cello Faculty
- m. Music Program Advocation
 - i. Make friends with your administrators
 - ii. Be vocal and advocate for your own group
 - iii. Parents can work for and with you
 - iv. Recruit
- n. NM Jazz Educators - Dr. Romero
 - i. Vote to become a part of NMMEA will be held in January

- ii. Jazz All State will be held at UNM
 - o. Middle School Jazz Auditions - K. Moreman
 - i. Deadline is Nov. 1; use of video auditions
 - p. NMSU Horn Choir Recital - N. Joy
 - i. April 29 - Rehearsal and concert
 - q. Get contact info to Kristin Major for NMSU Music Major observations.
 - r. SW Music Academy - L. Hill
 - i. President and board members at SWMA
 - ii. After-school string program at Picacho MS
 - iii. All City Audition Workshop for middle school - Nov. 17-18
 - iv. Also considering a high school honor band
 - s. LC Chamber Ballet pit orchestra for The Nutcracker - M. Armendariz
 - i. Audition materials online; rehearsals on Sunday nights
 - t. Get judges contacted soon for events
- IX. Motion to break into Section Meetings**