

Minutes

NMMEA Central District VI

Saturday, May 6th, 2023

Hybrid

President William Austell called the meeting to order at 9:32am

NMMEA Ethics statement shared with membership by William Austell

Member introduction at 9:38pm.

Officer Reports

Secretary Report - 9:47am

Joshua Dumais asked that members submit any changes needed to the roster, whether for them or for new members.

Donna Schmidt motioned to pass the spring minutes. Jonathan Robak seconded. The motion passed at 9:40am

Treasurer Report- 9:48am

Catherine Danner discussed outstanding payments from a few groups. Big point from Cathy today is that our Honor events are all running in the red. We likely need to discuss raising participation fees for it. Proposes \$20 per kid. We are ending the year with less than what we started the year with, so we really need to consider honor fee changes. She had some reminders about making sure to share invoices with bookkeepers. The timeliness of payments has been better this year.

Donna Schmidt motioned to approve the treasurer report, Jonathan Robak seconded. Motion passed at 9:48am.

General Music VP - 9:49am

George Wichman reported that General Music had a wonderful year and the general music festival was a massive success. There were over 300 in attendance and the event made money!

Guitar VP - 9:51am

Carrie Harper mentioned that guitar participated in the APS S&E and Honor Festivals, but not MPA this year due to date changes. That said, the events that they participated in went well! She would like to see higher levels of guitar participation in our district.

Orchestra VP - 9:53am

Karen Ginther reported that orchestra enrollment is way up in Rio and as a result should create even more substantial district orchestra events next year.

Choir VP - 9:54am

Mika Proctor spoke for choir and mentioned that all events went well and were successful!

Band VP - Mariko McWhorter reported that honor events were excellent and participation was way up from the year before! MPA panels were great and there were some new faces. There were two S&E options this year and both went well!

VP reports were approved. Motion by Francis Slife and seconded by Donna Schmidt at 9:56am

Presidents report - William Austell mentioned that Neil wants us to be aware of handbook changes. There is a link in the agenda if you would like to check those out. The summer music educators workshop is July 15th @ RRHS this year and is shaping up to be a great event! We will be doing nominations for NMMEA awards today. A reminder that the nominators are in charge of submitting materials for the nominees. Please check out Neil Swapp's "May Monthly Reminders" email. There is also a link in the agenda.

Jeff Anderson motioned and Kurt Schmidt seconded to approve the Presidents report at 10:04am.

Old Business - 10:04am

None. Move on to new business.

New Business

Breakout rooms were used at 10:10am to discuss calendar dates for all sections.

All participants rejoined the main meeting at 10:30am and started submitting their dates to the "Working Copy) of the CNMMEA 23-24 Calendar

Joshua Dumais moved approve the tentative 23/24 calendar. Rena Sedillo seconded. It was approved at 11:04am

NMMEA Awards Discussion started at 11:05am

-Administrator of the year - no nominations

-Award of Distinction - no nominations

-Educator of the Year - Daniel Holmes was nominated by Donna Schmidt, seconded by Cherokee Randolph.

-Emeritus Teacher of the Year - Becky Talbott nominated by Cherokee Randolph. Seconded by Catherine Danner

-Hall of Fame - no nominations

-John Batcheller Award - Erika Wadsworth, seconded by Christopher Fleming

-New & Emerging Teacher of the Year - Audriana Aragon by Daniel Perez, seconded by Daniel Holmes

Kurt motioned to approve our nominees, Daniel Perez seconded. Approved at 11:18am

Catherine Danner reminded us of the need to increase fees for honor groups before everyone broke off into section meetings. We agreed as a membership that we will discuss this in section meetings and come up with new amounts for the fall meeting.

Motion to end meeting by Joshua Dumais at 11:22, seconded by Rena Sedillo

Respectfully submitted,

Joshua Dumais