

SWNMMEA Fall Business Meeting Agenda
August 8, 2026 - 10:00 am
Mayfield High School

1. Welcome: [Called to order at 10:10 am](#)

- Contact Info Form QR Code
- Introductions of Officers
 - [President Kristen Silver](#)
 - [Band VP: Philip Ramos](#)
 - [Choir VP: Christopher Yee](#)
 - [Orchestra VP: Nate Cantu](#)
 - [Treasurer: Brent Phelps](#)
 - [Secretary: Marissa Al Masoud \(Karen Padilla filling in today\)](#)
- Thank you: [Whites Music Box and Mayfield HS](#)

2. Ethics Statement

3. Old Business

- Approval of Spring Meeting Minutes: [Motion to approve: Rod Pior 2nd: Michelle Lang](#)
- Financial Report: [Kristen presented Brent's financial report.](#)
 - [Please see the report. LCPS is still outstanding on HS solo and ensemble. Balance is \\$22,213.94.](#)
 - [Our bank account is healthy and up from last year. Motion to accept: Rod Pior. Second: Jen Rogers.](#)
- New Teacher Support System: [Still being worked on](#)
 - [New teachers to the district: Nico O'Hara - MHS orchestra, Nicholas Gallegos - CHS Choir](#)
- Memberships and Registration Deadlines: [Double-check emails when registering; please use the quote generator on the NMMEA website for memberships.](#)
- 2026-2027 Calendar – Reapproval: [Motion to approve calendar with changes: Jen Rogers, 2nd: Pam Quinones](#)

4. New Business

- NMMEA Executive Director Official Change: [Daniel Fear, new NMMEA address is Daniel's; please make sure it is updated. Monday notes will continue every week.](#)
 - [Webmaster & NMAA State Contest Coordinator – Neil Swapp](#)
 - [District Event Registration Manager – Linnea Jackson](#)
 - [All-State Music Coordinator – Cody Jackson](#)
 - [All-State Site Coordinator – Carrie Glass](#)
 - [** All-State instrumental music will be purchased from NMMEA this year.](#)
- 2027 NMMEA Award Recipients
 - [Educator of the Year: James Golden](#)
 - [Elementary: Catherine Danner](#)
 - [New and Emerging: Devin DeVargas](#)

- Hall of Fame: Roman Chip and Alan Dropps
 - Emeritus: Doug Poff
 - Rollie Helltman: Dr. Michael Hix
 - Administrator: Yong Vega
 - Award of Distinction: Roswell
 - Recognition: LCPS
- NMMEA Honor Ensembles
 - La Cueva honor band, Rio Ranch Jazz, Clovis Percussion, NM School for the arts Chamber orchestra, rhythmic joy arts academy, Latin Guitar ABQ guitar ensemble
- MPA Requirements for Stage Performance Program
 - Committee Members – met on July 6, 2026
 - Proposal: Three-piece requirement of contrasting styles, no same composer, multi-movement work may count as two selections allowing a two-piece program. Time limits: HS 30 mins, MS 25 mins. Grade Level requirement: one piece must meet the grade level requirement based on NMAA basketball classification using the UIL PML as the source. We will run this for a 3-year period and follow with reassessment. *See basketball classification. Waivers can be submitted 2 months prior.
 - Motion to approve grade level requirements by classification: Karen Padilla, 2nd: Michelle Lang
- MPA Sightreading Procedure Proposal: Propose Jen Rogers, 2nd: Mica Bailey
- Sightreading process to allow for instructional time to be used in any manner the director sees fit, including playing of instruments by students. The director may not play an instrument to model during instruction.
- Sightreading judges will be present during the instructional time to assess the teaching, learning, rehearsal strategies, content of instruction, etc.
 - Propose Jen Rogers, 2nd: Mica Bailey
- NMSU Music Department Updates & Announcements: Dr. Gerleman representative, thank-yous, and new faculty at NMSU, including the elementary specialist. If there's anything NMSU can do to help support, please reach out.
- Closing Remarks and Section Meeting Breakouts. Meeting adjourned at 10:53 am