

## OMEA Dist. 3 Spring Meeting

Monday, May 7, 2012

Shawnee HS Band Room

1. Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM, introductions were made, 20 members present
2. Motion by Beth Vaughn/Dan Ruckman to approve the fall minutes. **MOTION APPROVED.**
3. Motion by Beth Vaughn/Sandy Miller to approve treasurer's report. **MOTION APPROVED.**
4. Executive Board Reports
  - a. **Pres. James Vaughn** - see 9f. D3 Conference Handbook needs updating.
  - b. **Pres. elect** – Ryan Yahl - thanks for your attendance at the OMEA conference D3 reception.
  - c. **Sec./Treas. Karen Kelly** - Thanks to all D3 AE & Festival Chairs, co-chairs for continuing to run events in the black.
  - d. **Dane Newlove** – no report at this time
5. Committee Reports
  - a. **District HS Festival** - Bob Sloan/Janis Griffin – The 2013 high school festival conductors are Richard Miles (band) and Frank Bianchi (choir). Check with Don Clark about the 2013 HS Festival band commission.
  - b. **District Jazz Band** – John Stetler/Dave Sycks – Had a blast. 2013 reh. dates: 12/2-Elida, 12/16-no, 1/6-Bluffton, 1/13-Elida, 1/18-VW
  - c. **District JH Festival** – Klayton Hilleary/Stacie Korte – March 1&2, 2013, Band - Tremon Kizer (Un. of Dayton)
6. Adjudicated Events Report
  - a. **HS S/E** – Sandy Miller (E-Lima Senior), Dane Newlove (W-St.Marys) – fine
  - b. **HS Large Group** - Shawnee (East-Pat/Dan Meeks)/Celina (West-Chuck Sellers) – fine
  - c. **JH S/E** – John Stetler (Elida/north)/Jenn Bear (Minster/south) – Some issues with the certificates, otherwise, fine. Elida will do again, good guides. Will need to revisit the district split/division for 2013. Possibly provide an email survey to the school districts as to where each prefers to attend – Elida or Minster. A determining factor in the division decision - each site needs to have enough events to financially support the event.
  - d. **JH Large Group** – Shannon Wagner (Parkway) – OMEA is testing the use of a 4th adjudicator in some districts. Shannon continues to investigate this option. Parkway does have the needed space and has cleared it with Max. Be sure Max communicates to the adj., the change in procedure with a four adj. panel before they arrive on site. There is a concern that the JH LG events will financially suffer due to the addition of two more adjs., and the need for additional rooms. If a facility is available, consider moving JH large group to an all day Friday event.
7. OMEA State and NW Region Officer Reports:
  - a. **Anita Cook** – OMEA Member, Media & Information Services – no report
  - b. **Pat Meets** – OMEA Pres Elect – NAFME has many resources, use them
  - c. **Linda Fox-Miller** – Liaison Officials/Awards Coordinator – find and recommend outstanding people for the available awards
8. Old Business
  - a. Continue review of HS festival attendance policy – more research to be done over the summer
  - b. James Vaughn - Review of selection process for District Scholarships: same as 2012 with the following exceptions – the student needs to be more ambiguous on background information, ID the applicant by a number (blind application), white out effected information on the application, a committee member should recuse themselves if one of their own students is applying?
  - c. OMEA Conference – see 4b
9. New Business
  - a. Paul Baransy presented a proposal for the addition of a JH jazz band to be included as part of the JH Festival weekend. Wapak has available rehearsal space on Saturday. Paul would provide the music/arrangements. Paul suggested placement/acceptance in the ensemble would be audition by SD cards sent to Paul. Students selected for the jazz band would not be in the JH festival band or choir.  
  
**Motion (Dane Newlove/Dan Ruckman)** was made to institute a JH jazz band, by audition, selected students to be members of just the jazz band and not be eligible for the JH Festival band or choir, for the 2013 JH Festival. Students wishing to audition must be recommended by their current band director, who must be a member of OMEA. The students must be seventh or eighth grade wind players currently members of their own JH large ensembles. Rhythm section students will be nominated for membership by their OMEA band director, not by audition. The addition of the JH Jazz band will be evaluated in the spring of 2013. **MOTION APPROVED**
  - b. JH Solo/Ensemble – March 23, 2013
  - c. **Motion** (Beth Vaughn/Dan Meeks) to approve the 2012-2013 D3 calendar w/ changes pending sites – **MOTION APPROVED**
  - d. Dane will do east site large group IF, someone else does the west site HS S/E. Lima Senior will consider east site LG, Shawnee HS would a last resort.
  - e. Consider Donna Collins as a fall meeting guest speaker? Table till winter meeting

- f. All State Ensembles – much discussion on the re-vamping of all aspects of the all state band, choir, orchestra and jazz. Equitable rehearsal time, texting, bullying, hazing are becoming significant concerns. There is also the frustration of members of the all-state ensembles missing rehearsal time in order to perform with their home groups that have been chosen to play at the conference. Ohio & Penn. are the only two remaining states with this all-state format. OMEA is looking to reduce/eliminate liability; this format will be changing sooner than later
- g. OMEA Conference – again, as with All-State, there was much discussion on the current format of conference. School systems are not releasing teachers. Teachers have to find and pay for their own subs. Club sports are cutting into conference time for teachers, parents and students. Moving conference from Thursday-Saturday, to Friday-Sunday brings up many challenges and conflicts. Eliminating the First Night concert may be an option; is it too expensive, should OMEA charge for that concert?

**10. For the good of the order**

- a. **Dick Sherrick** – 2 for \$10.00, 2SS mylar coated cords for triangle holder

**12. Motion for Adjournment** – 9:29 – Dan Meeks/Paul Baransy

Submitted by Karen Kelly, D3 sec./treas, 5/7/2012