

**OMEA Dist. 3 Winter Meeting**

Saturday, January 31, 2009

**Lima Senior High School**

1. Meeting called to order at 12:54 PM, introductions were made, 28 members present
2. Motion by Darci Van Vlerah/Helen Ruhlen to approve minutes as corrected from the '08 fall meeting. **MOTION APPROVED.**
3. Motion by John Stetler/Evertt Kalcec to approve treasurer's report - **MOTION APPROVED**

**4. Executive Board Reports**

- a. **Pres. Erin Grim** - no report at this time
- b. **Pres. elect** - no report at this time
- c. **Sec./Treas. Karen Kelly** - Laptop upgrades have been purchased, thank you
- d. **Past pres. Chuck Sellars** - no report at this time

**5. Committee Reports**

- a. **District HS Festival** - Bob Sloan/Karen Kelly - Need directors help to strike stage, move equipment after concert. Thanks for flexibility exhibited during rehearsal date changes, dictated by inclement weather.
- b. **District Jazz Band** - Dave Sycks/John Stetler - Rehearsals as planned, not effected by bad weather
- c. **District JH Festival** - Klayton Hillary/Stacie Korte - Progressing, technology is good when it works, the later February date works better. Email accuracy is an issue. It's only as accurate as the response to the directory update in the fall. Not enough D3 members regularly check the D3 website, or, have signed up for our list-serve. There's a need for Fri/Sat sectional leaders, both band and choir.
- d. **District Conference** - Dane Newlove - Sat, Jan 31, 2009. Take home the leftovers.
- e. **Festival Scholarships** - Helen Ruhlen, Erin Grim, Jennifer Bear Sarah Haselman - Committee met this morning to choose recipients of the 2009 scholarships - Band scholarship sponsored by Rettigs, Choir by Kewpie and Jazz by Findlay Instrument Care. The band - Dustin Baer - McComb, choir - Hanna Benzing - Liberty-Benton, the jazz - Amanda Newlove - St. Marys.
- f. **General Music/MIOSM** - Helen Ruhlen, -MENC sent Helen a thank you letter/appreciation of D3 for MIOSM participation. Good response at convention. Helen met the current MENC president at convention. Send MIOS lesson plans to Helen for an article in the next TRIAD. Thanks for D3 people for what they do to follow thru.
- g. **Public Relations** - Sarah Hasselman - D3 now has a weather code for WLIO for inclement weather announcements. AE/Festival chairs, contact Sarah if in need of broadcasting weather related change of events
- h. **Mentoring** - Dick Sherrick - "www.district3omea.org>activities>mentors". More retirees are available & are being asked to visit area schools; Dale Laukhuf, Tony Alessandrini, Harold Beckett, Dick Sherrick, Linda Fox-Miller, Lynn Knoble. Everyone in the district is a mentor in some fashion. We're available, willing, don't be intimidated. Check w/ Sarah Haselman for PRAXIS information
- i. **Retirees** - Tony Alessandrini/Jim Leaman - no report.
- j. **Technology/Website** - Bob Sloan - contact Bob, via email (r\_sloan@vwcs.net), to sign up for the D3 list-serve
- k. **Government Relations** - Erin Grim - forward materials to the website & list serve

**6. Adjudicated Events Report - You have between 8 & 4 weeks out, before an event, to mail registrations**

- a. **HS S/E** - Dane Newlove - 178 cancels. Linda Fox-Miller - did much of the scheduling, many directors did not update disks. Pay attention to Greg Taylor's update emails. There's a new management program for 2010, so, keep checking updates. CONFIRM, VERIFY, UPDATE "About". Pat Meeks indicated w/in two years, all will be web-based. For SE corrections, click on "search", once you've logged into the OMEA membership page. Print out events you adjudicate, from the website. There are no more floppy disks, use email instead, CD's will no longer be accepted.
- b. **HS Large Group** - Shawnee (East)/VW (West) - Pat/Dan Meeks (Shawnee)-MAKE the deadline, Feb 6. Download the large group application forms from the OMEA website. So far, low numbers, especially choirs. Friday night is full, ensembles inside the district have first choice.
- c. **JH S/E** - Sarah Santilli (Liberty Benton/north)/Jenn Bear (Minster/south) - no report
- d. **JH Large Group** - Shannon Wagner - Will send more hardcopies

**7. OMEA State & NW Region Officer Reports**

- a. **OMEA Member, Media & Information Services** - Anita Cook - no report, go to OMEA website & update your personal information
- b. **NW Region Chair Elect** - Chuck Sellars - no report
- c. **AE Instrumental Advisor** - Pat Meeks - 2009 is last season for cassette tapes. Multiple pilot sites in '09 will try digital recorders using SD 1gb cards. Labeling may be an issue. LG adj will purchase their own digital recorders w/ an acceptable SD card port. Shawnee/Hilliard will be the marching band pilots. All LG events will convert in the winter of 2010, Marching band will convert in the fall of 2010. The LG management program creates labels, V1 forms, Form A. The program should be less time consuming, more efficient. The red rule book is now in effect, lack of numbered measures in a score in the ONLY infraction for a lowered rating. Adj, be careful not to put students in bad situations. James Vaughn, VanBuren, has already purchased a digital recorder, very portable, do it NOW. Best Buy carries a USB plug-in cable for around \$12.
  - d. **MIOS** - Helen Ruhlen - see item 5f
  - e. **Mentorship Chair** - Jean Smith - no report
  - f. **Liaison Officials/Awards Coordinator** - Linda Fox-Miller. Linda reported she is not the OMEA vendor. She does not deal w/ medals. More candidates for recognition in Music education, Music Support Groups, Administration are desired.

**8. Old Business**

- a. 2009 Choir commission – Greg Gilpin, \$1500.00. Jazz band is next in the rotation
- b. Go to website & update your OMEA information

**9. New Business**

- a. Suggested change for spring meeting times – Board meeting @ 6:30, general meeting @ 7:00pm, NOT 7:30. Dane suggested a spring dinner meeting. Erin will check on it.
- b. There are now MENC adjs at Disney World
- c. MENC petitions on line for the Music Education Walk in Washington DC (June 18-23, 2009). Petitions will be in lobby of the Civic center tomorrow. Send signed petitions to Jim Dowdy who will present the petition in DC in June.
- d. Tri-M Committee Chair Brian Myers will be at our next D3 meeting to talk about Tri-M
- e. D3 cancellations are now “coded” w/ WLIO-TV’s system
- f. 2009-2010 Calendar. Motion to approve March 20, 2010 as the D3 JH SE date; Dan Meeks/Beth Holdgreve **APPROVED**  
HS Festival has returned to Martin Luther King weekend for 2010, MS Festival is Feb 26 & 27, 2010. The HS Festival Jazz rehearsals are Dec. 6, 2009, 2-5pm in Elida, Jan. 3, 2010, 2-5pm in Bluffton, Jan 10, 2010, 2-5pm in Elida and Jan. 15, 2010, Civic center, 4-6pm.
- g. OMEA voting is now online, D3 candidates for president are John Stetler & James Vaughn, sec/treas candidate is Karen Kelly
- h. John Stetler – IAJE is no more, folded, now connected to JECO (Jazz educators Connection of Ohio (Jeff Behm/Scott Garlick). The network is JEN. Also Jazz Arts Group in Columbus – Bob Breithaup
- i. 3 retirees will be honored at tomorrow’s concert – Denis Lumbrezer-Bath, Greg Fosnaugh-Elida, Jack Schmidt-Antwerp

**10. Concerns for the State Board Meeting**

None

**11. For the Good of the Order:**

- a. Tim Mattis is accepting invitations for “Pantasia” gigs
- b. Helen Ruhlen mentioned Rick Eakin is running for TRIAD editor

**12. Motion to adjourn – James Vaughn/Tim Mattis – 2:19 PM**

Submitted by Karen Kelly, D3 sec./treas., 1/31/09

**End of year balance in state account:**

June 2008 - \$25,000  
June 2007 - \$20,000  
June 2006 - \$16,000  
June 2005 - \$10,000  
June 2004 - \$8000  
June 2003 - \$7000  
June 2002 - \$9800  
June 2001 - \$11,000  
June 2000 - \$15,000\