

NKBDA Meeting

Select Band Weekend (March 12, 2011)

Called to order at 10:00am by Tim K.

Secretary's Report (Chris M.)

Minutes are available on the web

Treasurer's Report (JoAnn Owens)

Distributed a spreadsheet NKBDA books over the last 6 months. We have a \$5872 available balance. We are still paying last year's select band bills (trophies). Jazz fest is earmarked. Still waiting on folder fees from Williamstown and Calvary Christian. Audition fees from Dayton still due. JoAnn has worked to not only balance the books but track where the money is coming from and going to.

Select band patches are paid for and being distributed to students this weekend.

Marching Band Report (David Owens)

The new Vision statement has passed. New judges sheets are coming out for the fall. A brief meeting after this to determine local contest dates. State is not determined yet. Likely at WKU. Date TBA.

Band Council (Tim K.)

No changes since conference.

Jazz Fest (Joe C.)

Ensemble Apps are due March 18th (Friday). Currently 12 or 13 groups are registered. Select jazz audition music is on the NKBDA website. Joe C. will send out email Monday with info and links. Registration forms are due to Chris M April 13th. Pay at the door. Select jazz rehearsals are at Beechwood and Ryle. Conductor is Rick VanMatre. Joe C. will be the state jazz chair beginning 2011-12. Jazz Education Network will conference in Louisville in January of 5-7, 2012.

Select Band Report (Tim K.)

Conductors felt Thursday night sectionals helped kids be prepared for rehearsal. Thursday was difficult to arrange but worthwhile. Suggested that perhaps a school hosts sectionals for space concerns. Groups could possibly be spread out among two or three different sites. Maybe even different times. Conductors had good things to say about our kids and their musicianship and behavior.

Some slight changes to today's schedule. Wind Ensemble is going to rehearse until 12:00 so that they can get rehearsal time on stage. Call time is still 3:00. Directors with students in both/all three groups feel this will not be a problem.

Concern is mentioned that more detailed schedule is needed for select band weekend. We need more detailed sign-ups and scheduling for the actual weekend. Committee will begin doing that today for presentation in May.

Discussion begins about adding sight-reading to the auditions. Adding time? Using select band repertoire? One or two sets probably all that is necessary. Will it impact who does and does not make the band? Probably impacting seating more so than making the band? Middle school sight reading necessary? Perhaps try for one year to see impact? What would be the set-up? Tape the sight reading to the stand?

Wind Ensemble set up working. There is need to tweak the process (rehearsal/judging/facilities).

Conductors are making same amount for one less day of work. Not in line with other districts (more like 600-750). Currently at 900. Suggestion to change by-laws to have one conductor liason working out contracts so they are consistent.

Suggested to utilize the conductors more for professional development (one hour clinic with directors).

Motion to add HS sight reading only... friendly amend (1st read). Fails.

2nd read. Sight-reading for MS HS select band auditions. Fails.

Scholarship Committee

Bill K. feels best to step-down to get more involved. Kelly Hash no longer in the district. Best if middle school people are involved. Tom M. JoAnn O. Carole H. agree to review and select this year's recipient.

Secretary Elections

Dave O. nominates Chris M. Accepts. Nominations closed. Elected.

Bill K. (President's report)

GSA scholarship audition conflict with select band rehearsal. Discussion about possible exceptions and the ramifications if that door is opened. No motions made. By-laws remain intact, stating that select band members must attend all rehearsals to participate.

PMA will clean up after this afternoon's concerts.

Directors will need to help change the set-up between concerts.

Next meeting on May 18th @ 4:00 Gray MS Band Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Miller, NKBDA secretary