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**NJ-IAJE Executive
Board Meeting
Starlite Steakhouse,
East Brunswick, NJ
Monday, January 21,
2008**

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR JAZZ EDUCATION



I. Opening Remarks – Mr. Lesser

Meeting Called to Order 6:13pm by President Jeff Lesser

- A. Meeting Format – Meeting in back room more conducive
- B. Renewed relationship with NJMEA

II. Secretary’s Report – Mr. May

Motion to accept - D. Graham 2nd –M.Russo All in favor.

III. Treasurer’s Report – Mr. Krewer

One student did not pay acceptance fee. We are unable to discern who and will have to take the loss on this.

Ryan will order Prelim trophies. N. Rotindo will pick them up to get them to Cherokee.

Checks will be mailed to Gary Schneider for prelim judges.

Motion to accept – D. May 2nd – D. Graham All in favor.

IV. Vice-President’s Report – Mr. Haas

- A. Conference Overview

**Jeff Haas will email conference details to D. May
Discussion of revising the conference times/sessions.**

9am - Reading session

10am - Clinic

11:15am – Clinic

12:15pm - Lifetime Achievement Segment

Discussion on content and target groups MS/HS/College

Darmon Meader? To do an all inclusive session for improv

instrumental/vocal. Jeff H. will research and report back at June meeting

- B. All State Solos – Up on website

**Motion to offer a \$250.- honorarium to Gary Fink for reformatting
All State Solos adding Chord Changes to this year’s solos. J. Haas
2nd – J. Laura 8 in favor - 2 opposed Motion Carries.**

- C. NJMEA Clinics

Several Jazz Sessions Schedule in TEMPO

- D. Reading Band

Contact Jeff Haas to play in the reading band.

V. President’s Report – Mr. Lesser

- A. International Convention Report

New Jersey Chapter of IAJE

- B. All State Band & Honors Jazz Choir Review

Fine performances by both groups.

It was suggested to NJMEA – All State Jazz Choir

The suspect CD recording quality was discussed. A suggestion was made to contact Gerry at AMP to discuss quality and possible re-mixing.

- C. Conductor Nominations

Tony Branker/Conrad Herwig/M.Tomaro/C.McNeil/D.DiBlasio/J.Jarvis

D. Vocal Jazz Report (Dr. Dohrmann via email)

Offered to do a clinic for a fee to be determined.

E. NJMEA booth

F. All State & Honors Jazz Auditions

To Be Held at E. Brunswick H.S. – Mike Anzuini will coordinate.

G. Jazz Combo Festival Proposal (1st reading)

2nd Reading presented at June Meeting

H. NJ Band Conference

Nick Rotindo suggested Soliciting Tapes for groups and to promote the future of combos for the NJ Band Conf.

VI. Past President's Report – Dr. Kunkel (via email)

Almost all judges have been found for prelims we need one sightreading judge for Weds. & Thurs. nights. Please send list to Dick Graham.

VII. Region I Report – Mr. Popat

Dr. T. Siebenhuhner – Conductor for HS Band (7 hens)

Chris Arnold will conduct MS Band

Sparta Middle School will host the concerts.

VIII. Region II Report – Mr. Heller

Question: Do we have a Data Base of Directors/Schools for state / regions?

Jeff Haas suggested utilizing a TEMPO EXPRESS mailing

Joe Bongiovi to direct HS Band

Dave Thomas to conduct MS Band

Steinert HS to host all dates except 4/11 which will be at S. Plainfield

Contact Ed Cooke regarding All State introduction of NJIAJE Rep. at All State Auditions

Submitted a Template Acceptance form for review and revision.

Discussion on wording of Late pick-up responsibility –Emergency Contacts

Changes were suggested focusing on consequences and the authorities

IX. Region III Report – Mr. Rotindo

No Changes as of this time.

X. State Jazz Festival Report – Mr. Graham

A. Preliminaries – 36 Bands 1 band is waiting

MC's are set.

B. Finals

C. A drawing for Finals Performance order was held, the results of which are kept with the State Jazz Festival Chair.

1. Division lines TBA

2. Sight Reading – Mr. Haas Will Provide Charts

3. Video Proposal – Mr. Lesser See attached proposal

Discussed Mechanical License and Jeff's Checking it out.

XI. Higher Education Report – Drs. Demsey and Branker

XIII. Jersey Jazzer Report – Ms. Laura
Spring issue questioned regarding necessity and value.
Setting up for Fall Issue
We need a replacement for Jody as of Fall.
Mike Anzuini was suggested by J. Lesser as a replacement.

XIV. For the good of the cause
J. Haas asked J. Lesser if he would compose a letter to sponsors for Jazz Conference.
J. Haas will provide data base for Tax letters.
Motion To Adjourn: V. Popat 2nd by all Meeting adjourned @ 9:42pm

Next meeting
Monday, June 2, 2008

**XII. Webmaster's
Report – Mr.
Russo**

**Many Jazz Festivals
Listed on Website**