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NJAJE Executive Board Meeting Omega Diner, North Brunswick, NJ Monday, January 17, 2011, 5:00 PM

AGENDA

Secretary's Report – Mr. May

Approval of Minutes

Motion to Accept – Dick Graham

Second – David May

Passed - Unanimous

Treasurer's Report – Mr. Anzuini

Approval of Financial Statements

Discussion involved Corporate Sponsors:

Adam and Ron are now in charge of Corporate Sponsors. Jeff Lesser reported that they have sent letters out to all prior sponsors. Tony Branker explained the status of Princeton's check. Some further discussion ensued in regard to existing sponsors and how things are progressing.

Motion to Accept – Jeff Kunkel

Second – Jeff Lesser

Passed - Unanimous

President's Report– Mr. Lindner

All State Jazz Band Report

John Linder – Reports nothing but great things and thanks to all for that great presentation.

February NJMEA Conference –

Booth: Jeff kunkel will cover 2/24 5-7pm for J.Lindner

Intercollegiate Jazz Band is on Thursday evening the 24th from 9-10pm conducted by

Anthony Branker Princeton U. & Tim Newman from WPU

Session - Julius Tolentino on Friday- You Don't Need to be A Rhythm Player to Get your Rhythm Section to Swing

Friday – 2:00 –2:30 NJAJE General Membership meeting

Saturday – Jazz Band Reading Session 11:30-12:30 with Jeff Haas

Constitution

Constitution passed and is accepted. Will be posted on the website.

2011/2012Calendar

Discussion on Rehearsal Sites for All State Jazz Ens & Honors Choir

Jeff lesser will be evaluating availability and D.May has offered BCHS as a back-up

Discussion of presented calendar with focus on Fall 2010 All State and NJAJE Conf. Dates and Spring of 2012 Dates.

Honors Jazz Choir Report – Dr. Dohrmann

No Applications have been posted on the Website for Region Vocal Jazz.

Include a line referencing a student auditioning for both Region Jazz Band and Jazz Choir that the student can only accept a position in one group.

Posting of information for the Region Jazz Choirs on the web was discussed and Mike russo has this coordinated.

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Vice President's Report – Mr. Haas

November Conference - Review and looking ahead

Conference went well. Attendance was down by about 20-25 people caused by budget cuts, and paid substitutes.

Many people left after lunch. Lisa DeSpain did a terrific job.

The date seems to be a question, after discussion the date will remain the same this year.

Attendees management and a new person to handle confirmation of luncheon participants. Jeff Lesser offered to coordinate this area.

Also filling the seats for the reading band.?

February Conference coming up -

Reading Band looks to be filled out nicely. Hal Leonard co-sponsorship needs to be addressed so as to present NJAJE as a "Co-Sponsor" for the clinic on 2/24.

Suggestions for "NEW" sessions for NJMEA conf. To Julius T. for 2012

Region I Report – Mr. Tolentino

Auditions at Sparta HS

Rehearsals at Mendham and Morristown middle School

Diana Dohrmann waiting for this information

Boom Box discussion for Improv rooms.

Region II Report – Mr. Heller

HS Director -

Jr. High Director –

Region III Report – Mr. Cox

Chris Farr – HS Director

Skip Spratt- Jr.High Director

Auditions & Concert at W. Deptford HS

Discussion ensued in regard to formulating a Rubric for the State Pre-lims & the State Finals of the State Jazz Band Festival.

Past President's Report – Mr. Lesser

Membership Report

93 members at this time. 5 not paid as of this time

Jazz Improv Magazine

We need to clear up the situation with receiving hard copy issues for our members.

Vertical Response Email

Discussion on using Vertical email for many of our communications to membership.

Discussion with Adam W. regarding using Google Docs in conjunction for All State

Auditions information.

Combo Festival

1 at Princeton U

3 at Rowan U

3 at WPU

Nominating Committee

Nominations:

President – Dr. Jeff Kunkel

President Elect – David Thomas May

Vice President – Jeff Haas

Secretary – Ron Heller

Treasurer – Mike Anzuini

NOTE: The 2010 Preliminary Survey information has not yet been addressed by Mr. Lesser at this time.

Higher Education Report – Dr. Demsey and Dr. Branker

Intercollegiate Band: February 24th 9-10pm following the Intercollegiate Symphonic band

Suggested that there be a combined program with an intermission

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State Jazz Festival Report – Mr. Graham

Lists were provided for each night of the Preliminary contests.

Enrollment numbers were broken down for

MOTION: To draw a TOTALLY random performance order for NJ State Jazz Festival Finals.

Mike Russo – Motioned Jeff Haas – Seconded Motion Passes 7-2

PERFORMANCE ORDER – FINALS

1st on – 5th ranked score

2nd on – 9th ranked score

3rd on – 1st ranked score

4th on – 6th ranked score

5th on – 4th ranked score

6th on – 7th ranked score

7th on – 3rd ranked score

8th on – 2nd ranked score

9th on – 8th ranked score

The top 3 Bands will perform at Drew U. on Friday June 3rd, 2011

Adjudication Coordinator Report – Dr. Kunkel

Prelims/Finals Recording Format

MOTION: To switch over to a Digital recording format and require directors /schools to have a flashdrive for downloading judging evaluations.

Jeff Kunkel –Motioned Jeff Haas – Seconded Motion Passes Unanimous

NJAJE joins the 1990's !!!

The Judging stipend should remain at \$275 for the 10 Band Final Format.

Jen Convention

The Conference was comparable to an early IAJE conference. It was smaller with maybe 2 or 3 clinics per session attended by 2 – 3 thousand people.

Concert line-ups were slightly less headline level acts. The conference was not a bad conference and it was friendly. A good time was had by many. Next January's conference will be in Louisville, Ky. About 10 States have affiliation with JEN. They are looking for network affiliate. Next meeting we will discuss affiliation options.

Webmaster's Report – Mr. Russo

Web Traffic observations Lower in summer really high in March-April

New Postings will be going up soon.

Old Business/New Business

Selection of All State Student Governors Award

MOTION: To Nominate Colby Isenberg, Guitarist

Jeff Kunkel –Motioned Jeff Lesser – Seconded Motion Passes Unanimous

Selection of All State Conductors for 2011

Nomination for Lisa DeSpain – First

MOTION: To Nominate Lisa DeSpain first and then Justin Binek to conduct Honors Jazz Choir.

Dave Demsey –Motioned Jeff Haas – Seconded Motion Passes Unanimous

All State Band: Christian McBride, Mark Gross, Steve Wilson, Jim McNeely, Dave Demsey

For the good of the cause . . .

MOTION: To adjourn

Jeff Lesser –Motioned Jeff Haas – Seconded Motion Passes Unanimous

Meeting adjourned – 10:16 pm