

NJAJE Minutes- January 21st, 2013

1. Welcome - Introduction of Robert van Wyk, Audition Chair.
 - Announcement of guests: Gary Schneider. John Luckenbill, Audition Chair for Region 1 Jazz
2. Minutes from the last meeting: Tabled until next meeting in June
3. Treasurer's Report- Mike Anzuini
 - We are in good shape. Balance is 21,680 as of 1/21/13. One of the 2012 Kerber scholarship has been paid out. Judges and region conductors to be paid out in the coming months.
 - Mike requested that region monies be turned in as soon as possible. Mike answered a question about fees: \$500 for conductors and \$200 for a sound technician for regions.
 - Motion Demsey motions to accept report and Graham second. Passes unanimously.
4. Cancellation of All-State - JK.Lesser
 - - A. same conductors for next year. This was agreed to immediately upon cancellation.
 - B. Partial payment for Justin Binek requested by JK for 4 rehearsals. Anzuini suggests \$250. JK instructs Anzuini and Dohrman to finalize the exact amount.
 - C. Medals need to be mailed. Anzuini has all the medals and Dohrman would send to all students. JK suggests we can handle mailing the medals to the 17 students involved.
5. Vocal Jazz - Dianna Dohrman
 - Region Jazz Choir: auditions in Ridgewood on 18th and Nutley on 25th. Region 2 auditions are in Holmdel HS, rehearsals and concert, TBA. Region Jazz directors are Charlie Postis, Region 1. Cathy, Colletti, region 2 and Steve Bishop, Region 3. Diana concerned that Tempo magazine messed up the audition information. Thomas Mosher has not responded to email correspondence with the corrections needed.
6. February "Jazz Academy" @ NJMEA - Dave May, JK, Jeff Haas
 - A. providers still needed for sessions. Thursday clinics are reduced to 3 clinics. JK/ Demsey; Joel Perry elementary clinic and one other.
7. Jersey Jazzer - Meredith Formen
 - A. Congrats on a great fall 2012.
 - B. JK asks if we want to do an online version of the Jazzer in the Spring. Noted that fall 2012 is not on the website. Most agree that we should do an online Spring. Agree to place a PDF on our website.
8. State Jazz Competition - Dick Graham
 - Dick thanks the board for the support. Offered NJAJE letterhead envelopes for anyone who wants them. Hopewell Valley HS has dropped from the Nutley Prelim leaving the Nutley location down to 5 ensembles. Anzuini will p/u the awards. Graham brought up the idea of altering the way bands would be placed into finals. Anzuini suggests to create a survey for band directors participating whether they would prefer a change. Random drawing for finals band placements: 9th place

band is on first. 5th place is on 2nd. 7th band is on 3rd. 2nd place band is on 4th. 6th place will perform 5th. 8th place will perform 6th. 4th band will perform 7th. 1st place is on 8th. 3rd place is on 9th. MC for Prelims: Liberty-. Finals: Graham at Steinert; JK at JP Stevens. Looking for others to help fill other locations.

9. Mr. Haas' Neighborhood - Jeff Haas

- Jeff's band will be entering the prelims and is requesting someone else to choose the sight-reading materials to eliminate potential questions of conflict of interest. JK will ask sight-reading judge to choose materials. Conference went well in November. Clinicians were pleased and offered thanks. Looking for suggestions whether to align ourselves with scale procedures of All-State Band which is one score for the scale performance versus our current divided categories (tone, intonation, technique). The board has agreed to provide one card per room and the judges will pick the two scales they want to hear. Discussion about whether to offer incentives for collegiate members to attend the November concert, but JK and Demsey believed that if they were offered the luncheon that was not fulfilled by another member, we could get 15-20 more students.

10. Intercollegiate - Demsey

- Ed Joffe and Al Farhnam will be directors. Rehearsals at Jersey City.

11. Membership - JL

- 110 names on member sheet. Combo Festival- Mr. Maello hosting 4 ensembles in Montclair. 3 bands in Princeton and 0 at Rowan,

12. Region 1 - John Maiello

- Auditions are at Ridgewood and everything else will be at Nutley. Jim Saltzman to direct. Looking for JHS director. Ridgewood to have Google Doc to register each room by using laptops/devices.

14. Region 3 - Doug Barber

- Len Nicholas to host. Rotindo to be JHS director and Dennis DiBlasio to conduct HS.

15a. All State Auditions - Robert Van Wyk

- To continue the same procedure Adam Warshafsky used in the past.

15. Elections for officers 2013-2015

- ballots need to go out and be counted before our June meeting of this year. JK and Lesser will constitute a nominating committee and asks that if there is anyone you want them to consider for nomination to please let them know. JL will use BallotBin to send out the voting.

16. Other business. Motion to adjourn - Demsey and Seconded- Maiello. All in favor - passes unanimously.