

# Northwest Iowa Bandmasters Association

## Fall Meeting – September 5, 2009

The NWIBA Fall Meeting was called to order by President Tom Cronin at 1:30 p.m. September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at the meeting room of the Golden Corral restaurant.

- I. Secretary's report- The secretary's report from the May 15' 2009 Conference meeting was read by treasurer Curt Ohrlund. MM2 – approved
- II. Treasurer's report – Treasurer Curt Ohrlund reported that the NWIBA has a balance of \$13,798.19 in checking and 2 cd's with a value of \$8362.17. MM2 - approved
- III. Committee Reports
  - A. Concert Band Affairs- Jason Heeren reported the procedure for band selection for performance at the IBA conference. Recordings should be 15 minutes in length and 1 band from each class will be chosen plus one elementary band and two middle school bands. No band may perform at the conference more than once every three years.
  - B. Marching Band Affairs – Peter Carlson reported that there are a few rules changes for this year. The 15 minute time clock will begin immediately after the previous band departs the field, and bands appearing out of order will perform for comments only. The MB Affairs Committee is also looking at the possibility of hiring a separate color guard judge, and raising the points to 70 for a division I rating. For input on these changes, talk to Peter.
  - C. Jazz Affairs – Paul McEntaffer reported that the All State jazz Festival committee is considering separating class 3A & 4A but retaining 1 band for 1A & 2A.
  - D. Elementary Affairs – Rich Nicklay asked if anyone had concerns during instrument testing about the H1N1 virus.
  - E. Jr. High Affairs – Holli Safely reported that there will be only one middle school honor band concert given this year due to the change in venue. There will also be no reserved seating. After the concert Ralph Ford will present a clinic to the directors.
  - F. College Affairs – Jerry Bertrand no report
  - G. Student Affairs – (no person yet) no report
  - H. R&D – Ryan Meyer - the R&D committee is working on the feasibility of marching band counting as a PE credit.

- I. Public Relations - Tiffany Roseboom no report
  - J. Mentorship -Kurt Schwarck no report
  - K. IBARD - Ken Sabers reported on the importance of using the valuable assets of the retired directors for mentorship.
  - L. Endowment – Jack Ryan no report
  - M. Major Landers – Paul Jepsen no report
- IV. Presidents Report – Tom Cronin – “I am excited to be moving up to the Presidency of the NWIBA. This will continue to be a learning process for me and an opportunity to serve the district in a new capacity. I hope that I can field your questions throughout the year and help you with your district concerns as we begin a new school year. I am also excited to have just started my first year at South O’Brien HS in Paullina after serving for the past four years at Westwood.

This year’s IBA Conference will be held at the Marriott in Des Moines, due to the renovation of the Hotel Fort Des Moines. Conference dates are Wednesday May 12<sup>th</sup>-Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup>. President Fritz joins the membership in looking forward to a great conference in our new venue.

IBA Conference Bands-deadline for submitting recordings is January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010. We’d like to see NWIBA continue to be represented strongly at the state conference, so please consider submitting your band for consideration. Four HS Concert Bands, two JH concert bands, one elementary band, one HS jazz band and/or one JH jazz band will be showcased this year. The deadline for inclusions in the Fall IBA Magazine is October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please let me or your committee chair know if you have anything you need included. “

**V. Old Business**

**a. Mentorship Chair**

Position has been filled by Kurt Schwarck, Spencer.

**b. Student Affairs**

Position needs to be filled, contact Tom Cronin if you know of a good candidate or have a volunteer in mind. Dan Mangold of Northwestern has volunteered to fill this position..

**c. State Conference**

At least next two state conferences will be moving to the Marriott in downtown Des Moines due to renovation of the Hotel Fort Des Moines.

**d. JH/HS Honor Band “format committee” progress?** This committee has not met.

**VI. New Business**

**a. JH Honor Band update** -Russ Nagel reported that everything is on the website, however please mail entries to Ryan Meyer at Aurelia instead of Remsen St. Mary’s.

**b. HS Honor Band update** Casey Kingdon- No report

**c. NWIBA awards nominations:**

- i. Martin L. Crandell Award (active service) Julie Forney Okoboji MS
- ii. Jay Wicker Award (retired service) Cheryl Crandell

**d. Karl King (state) awards nominations:**

- i. Active - Rod Shedenhelm
- ii. Retired - Cheryl Crandell

**VII. Adjourn**