

Northwest Iowa Bandmasters Association
Fall Meeting
September 3, 2014
Cherokee, Iowa

I. Call to Order - Colleen Hecht

1. 39 people present
2. Introductions were done because we have so many new faces in our district

II. Secretary's Report - Tiffany Wurth

1. Motion to approve spring meeting minutes (MM2: Butler/ Ryan) Motion approved.

III. Treasurer's Report - Curt Ohrlund

1. We have paid no bills and have no income yet this year. The balance that we continue to maintain is very healthy
2. We discussed the substantial gains we have made as a group since Curt took over this position.
3. Motion to approve treasurer's report. (MM2: Forney/ Larson)

IV. Committee Reports:

A. Concert Band Affairs - Jason Heeren

1. Work continues on the Large Group Literature list
2. All State Auditions: If you have any questions contact Jason Heeren
 - a. Registrations are Due the 11th
 1. Make those who register go through with it or only register the students who will be ready to ensure that the data is clean
 - a. Sight is Storm Lake Elementary due to construction.

B. Marching Band Affairs - Lucas Sursely

1. There has not been a meeting yet.

2. Lucas has spoken to Peters from Creston

- a. New ballots will be sent out for all to look at
- b. We are adding separate percussion and Color Guard ballots this year.
- c. State will be at Sheldon this year
- d. Reminder to get your dues and entries paid.

A. Jazz Band Affairs - Casey Kingdon

1. No new business as of yet.
2. There has been some discussion on how some directors would like to have the sight reading option back, as a choice. The options would be to do the clinic or the sight reading portion.
 - a. If you have opinions, for or against, chat with Casey
3. Paul McEntaffer is willing to chair NWIBA Jazz Festival again this year

B. Elementary Affairs - Stacie Pepin

1. Strong foundations honor band is Monday January 12th 2014 starting at 12:30
 - a. Mary Crandel from Waukee and John Smith from Clear Creek Amana will be the directors for this year.
 - b. This is a very highly recommended Honor Band for 6th grade!

C. Middle School/Junior High Affairs - Barb Wells

1. All Iowa Honor Band director is Kevin Nixon.

D. Northwest Iowa Middle School Honor Band-Tiffany Wurth

1. Entry names are due to Adam Perry by October 3, 2014
2. Entry dues are due to Adam Perry by October 10, 2014
3. Directors for this year are Mary Crandell from Waukee and Martin Bergee from University of Kansas.
4. Auditions will be at Storm Lake Elementary School
5. Festival will be at Buena Vista University in Edson Hall and Schaller Chapel
6. Thank you Jerry and BV for hosting us.
7. Bergee has quite an extensive percussion list keep your ears and eyes open if we need more percussion. Nothing will be happening last minute this year!
8. Pieces for this year are located on the website, if you have some please contact Neil Anders.

E. College Affairs - Shane Macklin

1. NWI High School Honor Band is on the schedule! YAY!

F. Student Affairs - Kelsey Schruck

1. Student at BVU there is a report.
2. It is her goal to establish contact with all of the colleges in our district to try and get contact information for each student majoring in music.

- a. In doing this, she hopes to get those students more grounded in IBA events and resources.
- G. Research and Development - Curt Ohrlund
 - 1. Pull out lessons session info is on IBA website
 - a. Excellent session that gave attendees a TON of information on pull out lessons.
 - 2. Next research is on the 36 hours on required in-service and how it is being utilized
 - a. Is it in any way valuable to band directors at this point?
 - b. Survey will be out after Christmas-please answer the questions.
- H. Public Relations - David Kovarna
 - 1. Dave reported that he is the new Public Relations guy. He also said that he is the State Chair for this committee.
- I. Technology - Corbet Butler
 - 1. May meeting discussed online voting for IBA president elect
 - a. Moving away from paper voting this year is being discussed in the November meeting. Is not officially in place yet.
 - b. Although not official yet, this is being heavily accepted. Watch for this coming up soon!
 - 2. If you have tech in your classroom that help make teaching easier or better let Corbet know.
 - a. We are collaboration and want to create a database on IBA website for all to see and utilize.
 - 3. Webmaster: If you need anything put on make sure you get that to Corbet.
 - a. The webmaster e-mail address is on the website.
- A. Mentorship - Jason Heeren
 - 1. Welcome all first and second year teachers
 - 2. Make sure Jason has your correct email address
- B. IBARD - Rod Shedenhelm
 - 1. He will try in next two weeks to contact each first and second year teachers to line them up with a more experienced director/ mentor to visit with to help them!
 - 2. Mentors will be set up soon
- C. Endowment - Cheryl Crandell
 - 1. No report
- D. Major Landers - Lee Schneider
 - 1. She has information and will be sending out in the newsletter.
- E. Membership - Rich Nicklay
 - 1. Please check the website for accuracy of names. Please get your correct email to Rich and Colleen.
- V. President's Report - Colleen Hecht
 - 1. Went to summer meeting where the online voting issue was a big thing.
 - A. All who where there went online and tried it out and It worked!
 - b. Some would like to have paper copies.
 - 2. IBA is May 14-16 Marriot in Des Moines
 - 3. If your IBA mailing doesn't say 2015 you need to pay your IBA dues Steve cook
 - 4. Email: if Colleen doesn't reply to an email go ahead and send her another one.
- VI. Old Business
 - A. Membership Forms
 - 1. Get them filled out and sent in.
 - A. Honors/District Jazz Band
 - 1. Is there interest in continuing this conversation?
 - a. There is no interest in continuing this at this time.
 - 2. Storm Lake Auditions/Festivals Locations
 - a. Don't go to the High school for anything!

HONOR BAND:
MS: Will be at the Elementary
HS: Mark needs a flute and sax judge
- VII. New Business
 - A. Operations Manual: Google Doc
 - 1. Updated

2. Jasons updates are not in there at this point.
 3. Last updated 2006-2007
 4. Great to have it updated
 - a. A lot of new committee chairs
 5. Go online to find it.
- B. Ballot Tabulator for JH Honor Band
1. Allison From Rock Valley
 2. The clipboard was passed around for JH judges to sign up.
 - a. If you are willing please contact Nikole at Alta Aurelia
- C. Communication
1. Email, NWIBA Page, NWIBA Facebook Page
 - a. Friday emails: if you have something to send out, get it to Colleen by Friday at 8:30 a.m.
- b. NWIBA page: Linked with the IBA page
- c. Facebook: NWIBA, if you want your concerts on there or if you have tidbits to add there go ahead
- d. Google calendar is now on the website
- i. Everything district oriented event is already there, get non-district information to Corbet
- D. Nominations for IBA Karl King Active Award
1. Kurt explained that Karl King: all districts nominate one person and then they go on to the state level
 - a. None of our nominations have gotten to the state level.
 - b. Jason nominated Greg Forney. Second was made by Corbet.
 - c. Nominations cease by Kurt and Casey
 2. Greg Forney is the winner of the Karl King Active Award.
- E. Nominations for IBA Karl King Retired Award
1. We have had a few win at the state level
 - a. Nominate Luci Ferrin retired from Sibley Ocheydan, 30 years, by Corbet with a second by Al Yeager.
 - b. Nominate Chuck Dibley retired from Rock Valley, 30 years, by Jason with a second by Lee
 - c. Nominations cease by Julie Forney
 2. Chuck Dibley is our Karl King retired Award winner.
- F. Nominations for Marty Crandell Award (HS Director)
1. Curt Orhlund By Julie Forney, Corbet second
 2. Nominations cease by Greg Forney, second by Ken Sabers
3. Kurt Orhlund is our Marty Crandell award winner.
- G. Nominations for Jay Wicker Award (MS Director)
1. Russ Nagel was nominated by Holli Safely with a second by Jason
 2. Nominations cease by Cliff and Julie Forney
 3. Russ is our winner for the Jay Wicker Award.
- H. Interest in running for IBA President
1. Jason did the last two years, and will hesitantly do it again.
 - a. Nominated by Kurt and Corbet second
 2. Discussion was on how we can't do alliance with another district anymore
 - a. The perception is that we are forcing people to vote
 - b. The thing we are doing is taking away the advantage of the big districts
 - c. That is the only time we have gotten an IBA president elected from our district was when we formed an alliance.
- i. this is due to how small our voting population is.
- d. What can we do?
- i. There needs to be more representation from around the state
 - ii. We need to make a more aggressive friendly approach
 - a. We as a district support our candidate more
 - b. Could we go to a couple meetings to help out with that?
 - c. Do whatever we can to make our candidate visible!
 1. The person running needs more experience as compared to other candidates.
1. Jerry: Elections chair for the state
- a. Only 1/3rd of eligible voting members actually vote
 - b. Electronic ballots will increase voting
 - c. Policy: the number of votes is known only by the board of directors chair and the counters
 - d. You can have no more than 3 candidates running: if you do you have to have a run-off and the top three get onto the final ballot.
- VIII. Nomination for IBA Hall of Fame
1. Looked at list and there were a lot from the Northwest Iowa district
 2. Mike Hogan was nominated by Lavila Nelson

- a. Took over Jays music
 - a. Sponsored reading clinic for years
 - b. All American Band conductor
 - 3. Jim Moen: By Al Yeager
- a. Was at MOC
 - 4. Mike Hogan is our winner for the IBA Hall of Fame Nomination.

IX. Announcements

1. Please thank Midbell Music for paying for social hour and buffet
2. Email from Kurt Schwark
 - A. Made it on IHSMA ballot, THANKS!
 - B. Get superintendents to vote again online starting 9-5 vote by 9-1
 - C. Casey: Cherokee jazz and blues festival
1. Main purpose was to increase jazz in the schools
2. Friday is clinics during the day. 1 hour long clinic
3. COMPLETELY FREE
4. Bands selected by Casey
5. If you have a band that needs help talk to Casey.
6. January 16th this year
 1. Jerry:
 - A. BV is having IHSMA judges certification tomorrow night at 7
 - B. 5:00 they are hosting first year teachers workshop with Al Geiner
 - C. BV hosts Honor band
 - i. February 28th, send in nominations and Jerry the band, 110 each band
 - D. March 14th: MS solo ensemble contest
 2. Jack Ryan:
 - A. His wife's brother, George, in Omaha is having his second brain tumor surgery, offer a prayer for George
 3. Bryan Mahler:
 - A. 3- 16 year old kiddos have been killed in auto accidents, send him some prayers and emails

X. Motion to adjourn.

1. Motion Approved (MM2: Kurt, Rob S)