

Northwest Iowa Bandmasters Association
Spring Meeting
May 16, 2014
Des Moines Marriott Downtown, Des Moines

- I. Call to Order – 12:10 p.m.
- II. Secretary’s Report – Casey Kingdon
 1. Motion to approve winter meeting minutes. MM2: (Box/Wurth). Motion approved.
- III. Treasurer’s Report – Curt Ohrlund
 1. Only deficit this year was the High School Honor Band but that was to be expected. Other funds made up the difference. Balance is healthy.
 2. Motion to approve treasurer’s report. MM2: (Crandell/Box). Motion approved.
- IV. Committee Reports
 - D. Elementary Affairs – Stacie Pepin
 1. Are in the process of a statewide lending library.
 2. Would like to expand the reading band at IBA.
 3. Working on a video documentary of “First Day Jazz Band,” having directors work with young students on their first day of jazz band.
 4. Directors for the 2015 Strong Foundations Honor Band are Mary Crandell and John Smith.
 - A. Concert Band Affairs – Jason Heeren
 1. Have created a database of the pieces IBA selected bands performed for their audition tapes. Results of the project will be posted on the IBA website and in the IBA magazine.
 2. All-State
 - a. Recommend posting excerpts for band. Formal proposal is in progress.
 - b. Recommended postings will be available at 5:00 am on audition day.
 - c. Excerpts would be the same statewide.
 3. IBA March Project
 - a. Asking for feedback on the project. What is the value of a march? Is much of this already available on the internet? Discussion followed.
 - b. Suggestion requiring marches for IHSMA Large Group. Discussion followed.
 - c. Recommendations – The IBA March Project is not necessary. Open to opinions about marches for contest.
 4. Construction at Storm Lake HS – Storm Lake is planning on continuing to host festivals. Maps were handed out on possible audition locations for Honor Band and All-State.
 - B. Marching Band Affairs – Dustin Bliven
 1. New ballots for IHSMA State Marching Festival.
 - a. Added Color Guard & Percussion Judges.
 - b. Adjusted point values to make judges equal. This is to hope to add more education to the festival.
 - c. Concerns – Options to perform without color guard changes the overall score and how the rating is determined. Cost of the festival will go up.
 - d. Announcement at the festival has changed.
 2. Concerns and comments about the IHSAA possibly moving football up 1 week.
 - C. Jazz Affairs – Casey Kingdon
 1. Meeting this afternoon. Taking any concerns about this year’s festival to the committee.
 - E. Middle School/Junior High Affairs – Barb Wells
 1. Great All-Iowa 8th Grade Honor Band concert this year. Music was more difficult than in the past.
 2. Kevin Nixon will be the conductor for the All-Iowa 8th Grade Honor Band next year.
 3. Literature review clinic was a success and will be continued.
 4. Working on a MS recommendation list to post on the IBA website.
 - F. College Affairs – Tim McGarvey
No Report.
 - G. Student Affairs –
No Report.

H. Research and Development – Curt Ohrlund

1. Clinic on “pull-out” lessons this year. All research can be found online. 92% of schools have pull-out lessons.
2. Working on Collaboration Time data for next year.

I. Public Relations – Tiffany Wurth

1. Looking for Outstanding Administrator Award nominees for next year.

J. Technology – Corbet Butler

No Report.

K. Mentorship – Jason Herren

1. Many mentees never contacted by mentor. Please contact your mentee – reach out to them.
2. If you know of new members next year, please let Jason know.

L. IBARD – Ken Sabers

1. Four IBARD members were mentors this year.

M. Endowment – Cheryl Crandell

1. The endowment is increasing.

N. Major Landers – Tom Cronin

1. The NWIBA Major Landers candidate is here today.

O. Membership – Rich Nicklay

No Report *(If there are changes in staffing in your school district or building for next year, please email Rich Nicklay about any changes. Even if you do not know who might be replacing you.)*

V. Presidents Report – Dustin Bliven

1. A big “Thank You” to all for your support and hard work this year.

VI. Old Business

None

VII. New Business

Storm Lake Music Department

1. Construction at Storm Lake HS – Storm Lake is planning on continuing to host festivals. Maps were handed out on possible audition locations for Honor Band and All-State.
2. BVU has offered the use of their facilities for the MS/JH Honor Band. Concert will be held at Schaller Chapel this fall.

B. IHSMA State Marching Festival

1. Motion to approve the new IHSMA State Marching Festival Ballots - MM2: (Box/Peterson)
Motion approved.

C. 2014 – 2015 Dates

1. List of next year’s dates was passed out. We will post them on the website.

D. Elections of committee members

1. IBARD – Rod Shedenhelm
2. High School Honor Band Chair – Joe Vannatta
3. High School Honor Band Judges – Mark Henderson
4. Major Landers Chair – Lee Schneider
5. Middle School/Junior High Honor Band Nominations – Collen Hecht
6. Marching Band Affairs – Lucas Sursley
7. NWIBA Secretary – Tiffany Wurth

XIII. Announcements

1. Congratulations to Barb Wells, Jen Bliven, Joe Hardin, and Stacie Pepin for their presentations/groups at IBA this year.
2. Storm Lake HS band will be performing at the ASBDA Conference this year.
3. Mark Heidel will be the conductor for the BVU Honor Band.
4. Passing of Rod Siljenberg.

IX. Motion to adjourn.

Motion approved – 1:09 p.m. MM2: (Box/Wurth)