

## MTVA Board Meeting Minutes

8/15/06 5:00 p.m.

President Jeanette MacCallum called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. In attendance were Suzanne Craig, Valerie DeHoff, Sandy Elliot, Lia Holland, Mary Jackson, Emily Jones, Lynn Jung, Karen Kenaston-French, Jeanette MacCallum, Brian Russell, David Spencer, Lewis Walling, and Brenda Williams. The following reports were given:

- David Spencer, Treasurer's report: The current balance is \$3341.88. \$20,000 is in a certificate of deposit that will mature in October of 2006. This money will then be transferred to a savings account and used for the benefit of our membership. We will continue to provide music and learning CD's for Mid-state, All-state, and Honor choirs.
- Lewis Walling, TMEA council meeting: Ron Meers led his first meeting as President of TMEA. TMEA is now a 501(C)3 organization, but MTVA does not qualify for this status under their tax code. The focus of the new administration will be accountability and more responsiveness to member needs. The 2007 TMEA conference is currently being planned by Bobby Jean Frost. More presenters are needed for the vocal area. Please email the webmaster, Terry Sanford, if you have suggestions for the TMEA website. Arts Academy will only be one week this year, July 8-13, 2007 for K-12. The Schermerhorn Center will be the venue for All-state this year. Tennessee has bid for the 2012 MENC national conference. The National anthem project will finish on July 14, 2007. There is a conflict between the 2010 national conference and the TMEA state convention that is currently being addressed and options are being explored.
- Mary Jackson, Elementary Mass Chorus: Event will take place on November 9 at David Lipscomb University. Angela Tipps will be one clinician and another is needed. There was a brief discussion on possible clinicians for this event.
- Brenda Williams, Middle School Honor Choir: Barbara Sletto will be the clinician. She will perform a piece with both the elementary and middle school combined. Performance dress will be the formal performance dress of each school. If the school does not have a formal performance uniform, then those students should wear black and white.
- Mary Jackson, Middle School Mass Chorus: Wayne Causey, Dr. Randall Hooper, and J.J. Ebelhar are the clinicians and their repertoire lists are finalized. Meals for participating students have been arranged. Mary will stress to the membership to get their forms in early and to limit the number of students from one school to 50 in each choir.

- Lia Holland, Mid-State/All-State: Freshmen Honors and Mid-State repertoire lists are finalized. Clinicians are Brenda Jewell, Robert King, Jamila McWhirter, and Carol Krueger. Event will take place at David Lipscomb University. MTVA will again provide music for Mid-state/All-state and also the part learning CD's. Lia moved that MTVA publish the Mid-state audition excerpts prior to the auditions. Sandy Elliot seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. The board will discuss at next month's meeting when to announce the cuts on the website. A discussion ensued regarding online versus paper applications for events and whether incentives should be provided for this. It was decided that the membership may apply online, but that a copy of the online application should also be sent with the check postmarked by the deadline for the event.
- Suzanne Craig, Elementary Honor Choir: Event will be held at Forest Hills Baptist Church. James Wells is the clinician. MTVA will provide the music, but there is no repertoire list yet.
- Karen Kenaston-French, Collegiate Report: A survey will be distributed at the regular meeting regarding continuing the professional development sessions at meetings. She will also hand out a list of upcoming college events in Tennessee.

Other discussions included:

Jeanette reminded the board of the change in the handbook regarding membership applications. Members can now turn in their membership application and fee with the paperwork for the first event in which they participate.

The board needs to let JW Pepper know the information regarding music as soon as possible after Mid-state/All-state auditions so they can get the music mailed in a timely manner.

Valerie will continue to work to get all the handbook changes into the revised copy.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m..