

MTVA Board Meeting Minutes

July 18, 2007 2:00 p.m.

Jeanette MacCallum, President called the meeting to order at 2:15. In attendance were Lia Holland, Jeanette MacCallum, Sandy Elliott, Valerie DeHoff, Tyler Merideth and David Spencer.

The board discussed and approved a rotation plan of audition repertoire for Mid-State and MS Honors. These pieces are listed in the addendum.

David Spencer, Treasurer reported overspending in 2006-2007 due to more expensive Mid-State music, additional All-State pieces, buying music for Elementary and Middle School Honors, and the Mid-State snow date makeup. Sandy suggested having a projected annual budget for the year based on historical information. She cited examples from TMEA budgets. Valerie noted that, in the past, event chairs have submitted a budget to the board. Jeanette volunteered to help David automate the finances and to develop a proposed budget for the board's review by the next meeting set for Tuesday, August 7th at 5:30. The board will approve an accounting structure and budget in order to present the same to the general membership on August 14th.

Jeanette MacCallum, President reported on recent resignations of board members. Brenda Williams has asked to be relieved of Middle School Honors, Emily Jones has asked to be relieved as Secretary, and Brian Russell has asked to be relieved of Choral Festival Chair. Jeanette went on to report that Jennifer Lantz will chair Solo/Ensemble, Michael Choate will chair Choral Festival and Tyler Merideth will serve as Secretary. The remaining vacant board positions have potential candidates that will be named at a later date once they have officially accepted the position.

Sandy Elliott, Freshman Honors Chair reported that TSU will host Mid-State on Nov. 15th. Dr. Robert Elliott also informed MTVA that TSU would enlist Steinway to provide a 9-foot Grand Piano for the performance and rehearsal space for the performing groups. Jeanette added that Cynthia Curtis of Belmont would like to see area universities (Belmont included) host Mid-State on a rotational basis.

Lia Holland, Audition Chair began a lengthy discussion regarding the Mid-State audition schedule in regards to appeasing students with extra-curricular activities. Jeanette suggested lengthening the times on Friday from 4:30 to 9:00 and Saturday from 8:00 to 5:00 to accommodate special requests.

The Board discussed and agreed that:

1. Women placed in Mid-State choirs would be placed between Mixed Choir and Women's Choir in an alternating fashion. This alternating placement will also apply to freshman auditioning for Freshman Women and Freshman Mixed. If an

- applicant is fortunate enough to make an All-State choir, then that applicant will be placed in the alternate ensemble from which they performed in Mid-State;
2. Those who make Mid-State will receive their music either when they audition or in the mail.
 3. This year, All-State music will not be distributed until after the Mid-State concert.

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding possible Mid-State clinicians. Possible candidates were chosen and now will be contacted.

Jeanette reported in **Michael Choate, Choral Festival Chair's** absence that First UMC Murfreesboro has been secured for February 26-29. The snow dates currently showing on the calendar present a problem for the hosting church and either a new snow date or new location for the snow date will be secured soon.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25. Next meeting is August 7th at 5:30.