

MTVA Board Meeting Minutes

August 7, 2007 5:30 p.m.

St. Cecilia Academy

Jeanette MacCallum, President called the meeting to order at 5:42. In attendance were Lia Holland, Jeanette MacCallum, Chris Gregory, Sandy Elliott, Valerie DeHoff, David Spencer and Tyler Merideth.

Jeanette MacCallum, President announced that Chris Gregory would serve as Elementary Honors Choir, Mary Jackson will chair Middle School Honors choir, and Connie Fuller will chair Middle School Mass. There is still a vacancy for Elementary School Mass. There will be an announcement at the General Meeting for any potential candidates for Elementary School mass.

The minutes from the February 6, 2007 board meeting were approved as read.
(Holland/Elliott)

The minutes from the July 18, 2007 board meeting were approved as corrected.
(Holland/Elliott)

Jeanette reported that she has worked with David Spencer since last meeting to setup the accounting system in "Quickbook."

Jeanette reported that the online registration for MTVA unfortunately is not going to be fully operational for the general membership. The deadline for Mid-State Auditions has been moved to September 4th. The date has been changed on the website.

Jeanette received a request from a MTVA member asking to be excused from Mid-State auditions due to a family member's wedding. The board voted to waive the fee that would have been imposed according to the by-laws. (Dehoff/Holland)

Jeanette has an appeal to the board to have a member of the Executive Board serve as a clinician. The general practice of the board has been to refrain from choosing a clinician or adjudicator from the MTVA board, but it is completely within our by-laws practice to allow this. In the particular instance in question, the board felt it was in the best interest of the Middle School Mass event to contract Michael Choate as a clinician.

Jeanette reported on the tour of TSU's campus for a potential Mid-State site, but the facility cannot occupy the needs of MTVA for one cumulative concert. Sandy will see if there is a possibility of having a video feed leading to another room for other performing students to listen and watch other ensembles. This would provide a generous seating environment for audience members. Further contact and approval with Dr. Elliott from TSU will be made regarding the possibility of the video feed before moving forward with the split concert idea.

Sandy Elliott, Freshman Honors Chair reported two clinicians have been chosen for Mid-State. Dr. John Warren from Syracuse University will conduct the Freshman Mixed Choir and Gary Wilson from David Lipscomb University will conduct the Freshman Treble choir. Both clinicians have begun preparing repertoire.

Lia Holland, Audition Chair reported one clinician had been chosen. Dr. Bill Green from Lee University will conduct the Mid-State Mixed choir. The women's choir clinician has not been chosen. There are still several potential candidates.

David Spencer, Treasurer submitted MTVA profit/loss reports from 2004-2005, 2005-2006 and 2006-2007. The report from 2006-2007 showed expenditures for Mid-State/All-State music from Pepper exceeding event profits from that year. Jeanette proposed that each event chair submit budgets for their event to include everything but music purchases.

After reviewing profit/loss reports for the past three years, the board decided that MTVA would order Mid-State music for members and then those members would be expected to reimburse MTVA or pay JW Pepper directly for these music packets on their arrival. The board will discuss this further at the next meeting.

The board then decided to rotate purchasing music for Mid-State and Elementary and Middle School Honors. This year MTVA will pay for the Elementary and Middle School Honors choirs. Next year MTVA will provide music for Mid-State, providing funds allow.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Submitted by Tyler Merideth