

MTVA General Membership Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2009
St. Cecilia Academy

I. Call to Order

Valerie DeHoff, President, called the meeting to order at 7:05. In attendance were Victor Davis, Connie McCain, Stella McKnight, Kristen Rue, Katie Prokop, Scott Corley, Melissa Collins, Mary Jackson, Gerald Patton, Jennifer Lantz, Sandy Elliott, Lia Holland, Brenda Williams, Michael Choate, Jeanette MacCallum, Tyler Merideth, John McDonald, Charlie Mason, David Spencer, Megan Hester, Gary Wilson, Brenda Jewell, Jamey Kelley, Nakayola Box, Nita Smith, Maxine Jones, Rebecca May, Dawn Crunk, Doug Parks, Cindy Fehrman, Lisa Benton, Beth Delk, Todd Arnold, JJ Ebelhar, Julie Cox, Angela Beate, Judy Yeaworth, David Cassel, Matt Johnson

Johnny Thomas of Thomas Tours expressed his thanks for music education and the opportunity to work with choir directors in influencing the young adults of Tennessee.

II. Minutes

The minutes were approved as corrected from the August 11 General Meeting.

III. Reports

Valerie DeHoff, President, welcomed new members to the meeting. Valerie then reported that Bobby Jean Frost is doing better. Her hospital contact information was provided.

Valerie asked the membership to double check deadline dates for all upcoming events. The website has an updated calendar.

Jeanette MacCallum, Treasurer, submitted the report for all the events to date.

Lia Holland, Mid-State/All-State Chair, Three clinicians are secured. John Dixon from Mercer University will conduct the SATB choir. Repertoire is approved.

Melissa Collins, Elementary Honors, reported that she is still looking for a venue to hold this event. Brenda Jewell is the clinician and the deadline is September 22nd.

Mary Jackson, Middle School Honors has secured a clinician, Robert King from David Lipscomb High School.

Beth Kolwyck, Elementary Mass is still looking for a clinician.

Michael Choate and Brenda Williams, Choral Festival reported that it is confirmed that February 25th and 26th will be the new Elementary/ Middle Choral festival. March 2-4 will be the High School festival at First UMC Murfreesboro.

Jennifer Lantz, Solo/Ensemble Chair, announced the benefits of participating in the event. She reminded the membership that anyone 4th grade and older can participate.

IV Unfinished Business

A motion was presented to the General Membership for the second time from the board to amend Standing Rule VIII. B.1.b. to read:

The current school year's Mid-State, Honors, Mass Choir, All-State or Tennessee Treble Honor Choir repertoire will not be allowed to be performed at the choir's corresponding grade level.

The original wording:

The current school year's Mid-State, Honors, or Mass Choir repertoire will not be allowed to be performed at the choir's corresponding grade level.

After discussion, the motion of the proposed amendment failed. The original wording remains.

V. New Business

The general membership discussed the importance of meeting attendance and having a voice in the organization.

Motion to adjourn. (Dehoff/Lantz) 8:07.