

Middle Tennessee Vocal Association

General Membership Meeting

September 14, 2010

President Sandy Elliott called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM. In attendance were: Lia Holland, Jeanette MacCallum, Valerie DeHoff, Gerald Patton, Brenda Williams, Beth Kolwyck, Laura Coppage, Alexis Derryberry, Chris Gregory, Matthew Johnson, John McDonald, Natasha Bonsyuk, Amanda Groves, Connie McCain, David Spencer, Chuck Brown, Stella McKnight, Kristen Rue, Scott Corley, Candace Adams, Terri Godfrey, Mindy Hoover, Lisa Benton, Gabe Lamog, and Charlie Mason.

President Elliott thanked Dirk Deyoung for dinner; he then spoke about upcoming changes in NHTT.

President Elliott welcomed all of the new members and introductions were made.

The Minutes from the August 2010 meeting were approved as distributed.

Jeanette MacCallum reported that money is coming in rapidly, but we are not spending much right now. She will give a more detailed Treasurer's report at the next meeting.

Chair Reports-

Middle School Mass- Alexis reported that she all clinicians secured. She has a hand-out for all those involved.

Mid-State- Michael reported that there were registration issues, and several people are working on straightening everything out.

Freshman Honors- Gerald reported that the SATB piece which Ms. Howard composed for this event will be able to be copied for the students.

Elementary Honors- Laura reported that there are some registration issues. Also, Vic Oakes is the clinician. She also reported that Middle Honors is moving along; Tyler Meredith is the clinician, and the event will be at Long Hollow Baptist Church.

Elementary Mass- Beth is working on securing clinicians. The deadline is December 3, and the event will be held at Christ Church on 2-11-11.

Choral Festival- No information is available yet. Cindy Fehrman accepted the co-chair position.

Solo and Ensemble- No information is available. Shawn Frazier is the new chair.

College- Jamila is working toward some presentations at meetings.

President Elliott reported that the new website platform will be ready in 2 weeks, and hopefully, all of the registration issues will be better.

President Elliott also reported briefly on the TMEA Council meeting. Some focus areas are: 1st to the Top, conference/All-State registration issues should be better, Mike Short is in search of a new equipment chair, there might be new format for the choral caucus at the convention, and the locations for next conferences (2011- Opryland Hotel, 2012-2013- Chattanooga, 2014- Memphis). TMEA also wants to have a representative from each association for Music in our Schools programs. TMEA has a job posting section on their website. TMEA also has a Facebook page. In the fall of 2010, the state standards will change.

Chris Gregory reported that auditions are open for the TN Treble Choir (5-6 grades).

President Elliott adjourned to caucuses at 7:55 PM.

BJ Frost would like to host a gathering for MTVA to show appreciation for the gifts and assistance while she was in the hospital. Sandy will work with her on a date.