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VCDA BUSINESS MEETING - MINUTES

VMEA Conference – Norfolk, VA

Friday, November 18, 2016

- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Introduction of Officers**
- III. **Confirmation of Agenda** (Approved as presented)
- IV. **Review of Motion and Voting**
- V. **Roll Call by Districts**

1	13, y	5	10, y	9	11, y	13	4, y
2	10, n	6	17, y	10	4, y	14	6, n
3	5, y	7	9, y	11	5, y	15	6, n
4	6, y	8	5, y	12	12, y	16	8, y

- VI. **Reports**
 - A. Secretary's Report (Approved as presented)
 - B. Treasurer's Report (Approved as presented)

- VII. **Old Business**

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- A. VCDA Website – Website design update
 - a. Recovering and transferring documents from previous website will be continuing to occur
- B. Literature Manual Grading Committee – Brian Kelly
 - a. 250 additions to the manual
- C. Honors Choir Report – Joe Eveler
- D. All-Virginia Chorus 2017
 - Moss Arts Center - 190 Alumni Mall, Blacksburg, VA 24060
 - a. Rehearsals are on campus, between two buildings
 - April 27 – 29, 2017
 - Housing – The Inn at Virginia Tech & Holiday Inn Express
 - SSAA director: **Dr. Iris Levine**, Cal Poly Paloma
 - SATB director: **Christine Bass**, Temple University

District Reps and Directors will receive information in January.
- E. ACDA Middle School Honors Choir – Philip Keirstead
 - a. Audition packets are online
 - b. Blacksburg Middle School hosting both choirs (two choirs)
 - c. Sandy Holland (Treble Choir), Tesfa Wondemagegnehu (Mixed Choir)
 - d. Audition deadlines are January 24th
 - e. vaacda.org
- F. All-Virginia Chorus 2018 – Combined Event with VBODA - Update, Mike Horanski
 - a. Richmond, VA (all locations are within two blocks)
 - b. Marriott, rehearsals
 - c. Carpenter Theater, performance venue
 - d. Additional details in January
 - e. Dates: April 5 - 7, 2018
- G. All-Virginia Music Folders – All District Reps should see Brian Kelly today after the meeting to pick up music for your District. Please sign-out the music with Brian. If your District Rep is not present, please designate someone to pick-up the music today. A link with rehearsal files will be sent to all directors through your District Representative.
- H. All-Virginia Commitment Form – Please produce on one single sheet of paper, NO staples please. Any dietary restrictions/food allergies should be clearly marked. The form should be proof-read by three people before it is mailed to the VCDA President.
 - 1. Choral Director
 - 2. All-VA Auditions Chair
 - 3. District Representative

Please be accurate with results tabulation. Double and triple check before posting results. If your District calls an alternate – please notify Mandi Steele, not just your District Representative. **Alternate calls should be made no later than (Monday, 3 PM) the week of All-Virginia Chorus.**

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- I. All-Virginia Chorus Audition Rotation
 - "Where E'er You Walk" (2016-17)
 - "She Walks in Beauty" (2017-18)
 - "Whither Must I Wander" (2018-19)
 - "Blow, Blow Thou Winter Wind" (2019-2020)
- J. Assessment Rubric Updates – John Brewington
 - a. Updated on the VCDA website. Comments or suggestions should be given after the 2017 assessment.
- K. Adjudicator Training – Mike Horanski
 - a. Approximately 13 directors attended the training, using the new Assessment Rubrics.
 - b. If you are interested in trainings in your geographic area, communicate with Mike Horanski directly.
 - c. Final Project: Visit another choir. Adjudicate two pieces, written and recorded. Please keep the recording anonymous. Deadline: June 1. Submission can be done digitally or with a hard copy CD. This year is the cut off for the first people who attended the training.
- L. ACDA Voices United Conference: Bill Podolski
 - a. Conducting track, lead by a notable conductor (Christopher Aspess)
 - b. August 3 - 5, 2017 (moved up a week)

VIII. **New Business**

- A. Musical Source- Jack Ay
- B. Reminder VCDA Gender Policy - All-District and All-Virginia Eligibility
 - a. Any student is eligible for any voice part that pedagogically and vocally appropriate
- C. Upcoming committee for District Assessment Sight-Reading Procedures
- D. District Audition Procedures - posted on our site
 - a. Request: Every district will put together a manual for District Auditions; by late Spring.
- E. ADDITION - Council on Music Education: Charge by John Brewington to create this council to support teachers and move forward in music education.

IX. **Closing Remarks** – Mandi Steele