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**VCDA BUSINESS MEETING  
VMEA Conference - Norfolk, VA  
Friday, November 19, 2021 - 4:45 PM**

**I. Call to Order - Dana Van Slyke**

Called to order at 4:51 by Dana

**II. Introduction of Officers**

Dana introduced all officers

**III Confirmation of Agenda - Dana Van Slyke**

Agenda stands

**VI. Review of Motion and Voting - Bill Podolski**

**VII. Roll Call by Districts - Elise Ramos-Krepcho**

1: 11 *	9: 15*
2: 2*	10: 8*
3: 11*	11: 4
4: 4*	12: 8 *
5: 4	13: 6
6: 7*	14: 4*
7: 4	15: 6 *
8: 3*	16: 9*

**VIII. Reports**

**A. Secretary's Report - Elise Ramos-Krepcho**

Roll Call on previous report is not available- Zoom transcript was erased after 2 weeks.

## **B. Treasurer's Report - Amy El-Khoury**

Conference bills are not included, so the budget does not represent current standings after conference bills.

## **IX. Old Business**

### **A. Recognitions**

Storm Burks was acknowledged for his virtual performance from last year's conference in 2020

Toni Cotteroune was acknowledged for her time on the board during 5 presidencies.

Brian Kelly was acknowledged for his time as VCDA president especially the dissolution of the All-VA event.

### **B. Literature Manual Committee - Corbin Pinto**

Committee met and graded 32 pieces on Thurs evening. Corbin acknowledged all members. Another grading session will happen in the spring.

### **C. Honors Choir Report - Joe Eveler**

Things are going well! Ramsey is impressed by the preparation and musicianship. Joe thanked everyone who has pitched in and helped over the weekend.

Joe asked that those who are interested in helping with audition/chairing in the upcoming years to contact him.

### **D. All-Virginia Chorus 2022 - Virtual or in person audition option**

Districts may decide if their auditions will be in person, or virtual. District reps asked to return the preference form ASAP but by the end of 2020

#### **1. District option - Virtual RSVP form for district reps**

Virtual auditions hosted by VCDA/ In person by District

"Where'er You Walk" - Audition piece

**VCDA will provide the sight reading for all**

#### **2. All Virginia Chorus 2022**

**-April 21,22,23 2022**

**- Location :** Hosted by Henrico County Public Schools - Venue TBD

-SATB Chorus - Dr. Paul Head, University of Delaware

-SSAA Chorus - Dr. Lynne Gackle, Baylor University

All VA will be combined with VBODA in 22/23, contract is already in place.

#### **3. Workshop update- Bethany Houff**

Workshops will happen, proposal form will come out in Jan via reps and on VCDA website.

#### **4. All VA Registration window: January 18-Feb 13**

**All VA Audition window: Feb 13-Feb 28**

**All VA Screener results completed by March 7**

Dates above are based on a virtual model. Students will be required to participate in the district event

Question form Lara Brittain- If a student is unable to participate in district chorus because of quarantining, will they be disqualified?

## **IX. New Business**

### **A. All VA Audition Piece Committee Report - Joel Shapiro**

Joel acknowledged and thanked the Committee. The findings of the committee can be found in the document presented

Mary Hannah Klontz "I move that VCDA commission a composer to write a future All VA song paid for by grant funding, and if unavailable, funded by VCDA."

Seconded by Lindsey Long

Discussion:

Great idea!

Single Piece, single year? New composer every year?

Vote was taken, Motion passes

**B. VA-ACDA Updates**

Amy Moir- Aug 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Voices united conference. Jason Max Ferdinand headlining, Trey Robertson Community Chorus, Janet Hostetter

Philip Kierstead- Annabelle Mills chairing MS

Debra & Chris Fox will be conductors

**C. District and All VA Agreements with Covid Guidance**

New forms posted on the website, effective for all events moving forward.

**D. Updates to handbook - Operational Manual, Bylaws, Constitution**

**E. Video Submission for assessment and Blue Ribbon**

VBODA sends in videos because of distance and finances. Yes, VCDA will now allow recordings to be submitted for Blue Ribbon. No editing, video should be one take. Dana will send out info. Sight Reading process will be discussed.

**X. Announcements**

**A. All Districts must pick up their All-Virginia Chorus Packets after the meeting. If your District rep is not present someone else should take the packets for your district.**

**X. Closing Remarks - Dana Van Slyke**

Dana talked about how the past year has been difficult and how we have done well despite the difficulties. Thanked directors for flexibility in the past year.

**Pat Long Motioned to Adjourn**

**Lauren Carpel seconded**

**Adjourned at 5:30**

**Respectfully submitted by Elise Ramos-Krepcho**