

# SCKMEA Board Meeting Minutes

## August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Members Present – Mike Connell, Scott Hay, Jeff Yearout, Shawn Knopp, and Kristy Smith

### Old Business

We reviewed the old minutes from May 08 meeting taken by Larry Brownlee.

- High School audition fees were increased to \$8 effective this fall. Middle school fees were not because they were raised to \$10 a couple of years ago.
- Regarding future SCKMEA scholarship: The form will be active January 09. Jeff Yearout will put the application online in a PDF form when Mike sends the form in a word doc.

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Middle School Band – Shawn Knopp reported that Joanna Cox at Central Junior High in Lawrence will be this year's clinician.

High School Orchestra – The music for December's concert was ordered and has come in. Dr. Neely's bio has been submitted to the webmaster. And Travis Hale has agreed to be the new orchestra chair assistant.

Mentor Program– Scott Hay and Holly Taylor co-chair this program and they will have a special morning meeting for new teachers to the south central region on *Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at Senseney Music*. The goal of the meeting is for the teachers to meet together and talk about the first weeks of school. Hopefully this will help them share ideas and network with each other.

Elementary – Paula Rothe reported via Mike Connell that Mark Bartel of Burton H.S. will be the Elementary Clinician this year.

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### President-Elect News –

- This year the voting window for our next president-elect will open to south central district members October 1<sup>st</sup> and close November 15<sup>th</sup>.

The following candidates will be contacted and asked if they would be interested in applying for the position:

Melissa Watkins – Current Choral Chair from Derby High

Nathan Biggs – HS band chair

Dana Hamant – Current State Large Ensemble Contest Chair

Gretchen Bixler – Former M.S. Chair

There will be a link on our website to vote for president-elect. When e-mailing one's vote, the board requests that it is sent from one's school e-mail address and that the member types his/her full name plus the building(s) where they teach. The vote will be kept confidential and only the data collector will have access to the information. He will then destroy the info when it is no longer needed. The new president-elect will be announced at the December 6<sup>th</sup> General Meeting at Wichita State.

- In order to stream-line the voting process for President-Elect in the future, the following timeline will be established:
  - 1.) **Jan – May** People send nominations for President-Elect.
  - 2.) **May** – Board decides slate of nominations with no more than 5 candidates.
  - 3.) **June/July** Boards gets info to webmaster
  - 4.) **Aug. through October**- sckmea members vote from the slate of candidates.
  - 5.) **December** General Meeting – President-Elect announced.

Outstanding Middle School Teacher, Outstanding Elementary Teacher, and Outstanding High School Teacher Nominations will be accepted by sckmea members until August 31<sup>st</sup>. Please encourage your subgroups to send their individual nominations to Larry Brownlee, Executive Secretary through the website link. Larry will send the received list of nominations to all board members to vote by September 8<sup>th</sup>. When board members vote/discuss vote they are to respond by clicking the “reply to all” button in their e-mail.

STATE Concert ticket sales – At the state meeting there were some changes as to how the ticket sales will be handled. Please see the SCKMEA WEBSITE for the changes. Please note one change: badges will not be accepted for admittance into the State Concert and teachers will need to pick up their ticket when they pick up their badge at the convention.

District Concert will be the same concert schedule as last year:

4 pm	Choir
4:30pm	1234 Band
5 pm	Choir
5:30 pm	56 Band
6 pm	Orchestra

Misc. Mike Connell will talk to Vic Markovich at WSU to see if it is possible to order pizza through his band organization for the student lunch in place of the box lunches via the Student Union for district this year.

This concludes the minutes of the August 18<sup>th</sup> SCKMEA Meeting held at Senseney Music. –K.Smith