

SWKMEA INSTRUMENTAL DIRECTOR MEETING

Saturday, December 3, 2022

9:00am DCHS F547

Members Present: 31

- I. Welcome
 - a. President Ryan Partin gave welcome and introductions
- II. HS Band Chair report
 - a. Grant Mathews
 - i. James McAllister (KWU) is the HS Band Clinician
 1. Used to be from Garden City, KS
 - ii. 138 submitted/123 completed/78 selected for the band with 14 alternates/75 here today
 - iii. Clarinets are low in numbers, please try to encourage clarinets to audition in the future
 - iv. 21 Flutes (largest group)
 - v. Good Brass
 - vi. Percussion is up this year
 - vii. Audition Process
 1. State has not yet released new material yet
 - a. Will probably add some to our process when released
 2. Do we still want to get the judging window completed before the first November Saturday?
 - a. Folders can be handed out if we do
 - b. Let Grant Mathews know what you think
 - viii. President Partin asked, "Did it help doing it the way we did this year?"
 1. Most thought it was helpful
 2. Numbers did go up this year for auditions
- III. From the State Presented by President Partin
 - a. KSHSAA Festivals Committee Music Manual language update
 - i. Wording has been changed to include "contrasting styles" in literature requirements.
 - ii. 12A Band
 - b. 1st year at ISW was a success! Students must have auditioned for district ensemble to be nominated to the band.
 - c. KMEA Instrumental Auditions
 - i. All-state audition materials are posted by May 1st. No updates after August 1st

- ii. January 7, 2023 - live all-state auditions at Lakewood Middle School, Salina. Contingency Date - January 14th
 - d. New scale sheets have been posted for state auditions; standardized so all students should be playing exactly the same.
 - e. Reminder of deadlines for state registration
 - f. Transitioning from excerpts to copyright legal excerpts (pdf downloads)
 - i. Originally planned to be original compositions, but KBA determined that it would be too costly and time consuming.
 - ii. 4 cycles; first rotation will be ready to go by May 1st, 2023
- IV. District audition deadline change this year. Was it helpful/effective?
- V. KBA Presentation by Angela Wilczek (Minneola)
 - a. Jazz Contest on March 7, 2023 similar to Marching Band Championships
 - b. Hall of Fame award is given every year, but never have many nominations
 - i. Must be in by
 - c. Marching Championships were a success this year
 - i. Adding a 1234A next year Championship
 - ii. In Lawrence and Topeka, KS
 - d. KBA Summer Convention is July 12-15, 2023
 - i. A week earlier this summer!
 - ii. It has become very good over the past few years!
 - iii. New Band Director Boot Camp on the first day
 - 1. Great for teacher new to Band Directors
 - iv. Looking for presenters
 - 1. Looking for Mid-Level Clinics
 - v. Social media at KansasBandMasters.com
 - 1. You can post what is happening in your community
 - e. New KMEA All State Auditions
 - i. Gave a couple of examples of excerpts
 - ii. 4 sets for every instrument
 - iii. Downloadable .PDF songs
 - 1. All are legal!
- VI. Vote for board positions!
- VII. Any new business?