

SWIBA FALL MEETING, RED COACH INN, RED OAK 6:30 9/10/07

Meeting called to order by Ruben Newell-President

Minutes of the Spring Meeting were attached to the agenda. No additions or corrections.

Motion by J. Schoening/Tinder to waive the reading of the minutes and the treasurer's report. Motion carried

Treasurer's report: \$6112.78 in checking, \$6250.87 in CD, \$12,363.65 total.

Committee Reports

- A. Elementary Affairs: Sue Schneider- No Report
- B. Middle School Affairs: Pam Ryan- The All-Iowa Honor Band music will be available at our MS honor band with the exception of the commissioned work. All students will receive 3 tickets- make sure parents note the time on the tickets.
- C. Concert Band Affairs: No Report
- D. Marching Band Affairs: Mike Peters- No Report
- E. Jazz Band Affairs: No Report
- F. College Affairs: Christine Hitt- No Report
- G. Student Affairs: No report
- H. Public Affairs: Ruben Newell- Newell gave in-service on operation of the SWIBA forum. Reminded people to send hard copies of important information, answer the poll questions, and use this valuable informational tool.
- I. Mentorship: Lee Nelson- Nelson asked if any new directors were present and set up a meeting with them following the business meeting. He warned the new directors to avoid some sort of contests with skunks and offered the support of SWIBA to new directors should they encounter any struggles. Brought to the group's attention that a statewide mentorship meeting in Ames conflicts with our MS honor band auditions.
- J. Major Landers: Byron Tinder- Directors should encourage any seniors interested in music education to audition for the scholarship. Ask Tinder if you have scholarship questions.
- K. Research and Development: No Report
- L. HS Honor Band: Jared O'Donnell- Sign up sheets were passed for judges. Conductors are Ruben Newell for the 9-10 Band and Andy Boysen Jr. for the 11-12 band. Boysen is working on the commissioned piece. Registrations due Oct. 26. He has lots of music from past honor bands for sale at 1/2 price. O'Donnell would like ideas for guest conductor for '09, composer for '10, and directors' clinics for '08.
- M. MS Honor Band: Patti Bekkerus- Postmark deadline for registration is Sept. 28. The auditions are Oct. 27 in Clarinda and festival is Nov. 9 at Denison. David Law and Robert Manson are the guest conductors. A sign up sheet for judges was passed. Give your ideas for clinic sessions the day of the festival to Patti.
- N. SWIHMB: Byron Tinder- Gave a brief outline of the Honor Marching Band for new members. There will be a staff meeting soon and mailings will come out after that. Some staff needs to be replaced, contact Tinder if interested.
- O. Endowment: Chuck Teutsch- No report

- P. IBARD- Lee Nelson- Thanked SWIBA for our support in his candidacy for the Karl King Distinguished Service Award for Retired Members. Reminded directors to call retired members if we're experiencing frustrations or difficulties on the job- they are ready to help. Asked that we all try to program at least one march or patriotic tune each year because the people love it and it is part of our band heritage.
- Q. SWIBA President report: Ruben Newell
1. Secretary's Report
 - a. IBA Dues and Cards due to Steve Cook by Sept. 15th – he is sticking with that deadline.
 - b. 2330 in attendance at the 2007 IBA Conference (+17) – does not include concert/performance audiences
 - c. SW had 6 more lunches served than paid for
 - d. SW membership for 2006-07 was 83 (-6)
 - e. Total membership was 1185 (-41)
 2. Magazine Editor's Report – Deadlines
 - a. Fall – October 5
 - b. Winter – January 4
 - c. Conference – February 29
 3. Major Landers
 - a. Discussion about standardizing the award amounts throughout the state
 - b. Possibility of cover expenses for students auditioning in Des Moines
 4. Concert Band Affairs
 - a. SmartMusic will be allowed for IHSMA Solo contest
INSTRUMENTAL ONLY, and only piano accompaniment, not full orchestral
 - b. Are we making the outstanding performance recital all that it can be for our students?
 5. Jazz Band Affairs
 - a. They are proposing eliminating the personnel cap on second bands at IHSMA Festival
 - b. Looking at changing the IHSMA ballot (put more emphasis on improvisation)
 6. IBARD/Mentorship
 - a. A group of representatives from IBA (Leon Kuehner, Liz Fritz, Lee Nelson, and Phil Hoelsing) will be presenting 2 sessions at the Midwest Clinic this winter
 - b. This is a great program, and new teachers should take advantage of it
 7. Old Business
 - a. District banquet fee increased from \$100 to \$200
 - b. IBA has committed \$2000 for 2008-2009 for the required list recording project
 - c. Steve Colton has been nominated for Hall of Fame, and the administrative board needs any input you have about Steve's influence on music education, especially outside of the borders of Iowa
 8. New Business

- a. Steve had enough complaints about the location of the conference to warrant some looking into the membership's feelings on the location of the conference
- b. Looking at changing the luncheon to a plated or box lunch to expedite the meetings
- c. Recertification credit was not offered this year because of some "tension" with U of I and Drake. Steve is looking into smoothing that out so hopefully recertification credit can be offered for the 2008 conference
- d. Working on posting mp3's of keynote address on web-site, also recordings of key clinics will also be available, as well as the various honor band performances
- e. If you apply to be an honor band for the IBA conference, there is an added administrative signature on the form

Old Business

1. Calendar for the year is on the back of the agenda. Be sure to check the date for the jazz festival, It is on the corresponding date from previous years. Discussion followed. Jacobus- leave it as is. Touney- don't like having it conflict w/ All-State Speech. J. Schoening/Hanzlik moved to leave date as is. Motion carried. Discussion of site(s) for the jazz festival: Tinder gave background of proposal to split into two sites w/ 1A&2A being at one site and 3A&4A being at another. MS's would be at same site as their HS's. The classifications would alternate years at IWCC and a host HS. Audubon volunteered to host 1A-2A this year and Denison volunteered to host 3A-4A next year. Jacobus/Hoesing motion to accept the proposal and those sites for the next two years. J. Schoening voiced support for a one site arrangement if the site would have two adequate performance centers. A few people named schools and communities that had two or more auditoriums. J. Schoening/ Tackett motion to amend the original motion to accepting the proposal on a one year trial basis. Jacobus accepted the amendment. Motion carried. Other dates to note or modify: Shenfest is Sept. 22, Honor MB auditions are May 17 & 19, March 8 is Creston MS solo/ens. contest.
2. John Keller would like to be notified if anyone is interested in an All-State clinic in early Oct. Looking for a minimum of 25 students.
3. District nominations: Student Affairs: Hitt/Tinder nominated Samuel Schmidt, Schmidt elected. Jazz Affairs: Bekkerus/Klaverr nominated Dan Schoening. Schoening declined. Tinder Frazier nominated Hoesing. Hoesing elected. R&D: Hanzlik volunteered. Hanzlik elected. Newell shared information about the new position of Technology Chair. Johnson/Hoffmann nominated Armentrout. Tinder/O'Donnell nominated Craig. Craig elected.
4. IBA nominations: (Secretaries note: I did not catch who made nominations for the following positions).
 - a. Karl King Distinguished Service Award Active: Tracy Ryan

- b. Karl King Distinguished Service Award Retired: Steve Lawson
 - c. IBA Hall of Fame for Deceased Members: Merrill Perry
 - d. IBA Treasurer: Leonard Upham
 - e. IBA President-elect: Terry Hanzlik (Klaver and J. Schoening nominated and both declined.)
5. Motion by Tinder/Touney to contribute same amount as last year (Sec. Note \$500) to IAAE. Motion carried. Klaver/Bekkerus motion to contribute \$200 to IBA Banquet. Motion carried.
 6. Johnson: New horn prof at U of I is looking to help band directors. Johnson will put information on the forum.
 7. Jacobus began discussion on the new no pass-no play rule. Much discussion and with many different policies in place in SWIBA. Newell took poll and of those schools present, the following number had a policy in which students can participate in graded activities even if they have an "F": 1A-8, 2A-1, 3A-2, 4A-1. The following number had a policy under which students cannot participate with an "F": 1A-3, 2A-4, 3A-2, 4A-1.
 8. Manning has petitioned IBA to join SWIBA. Newell will support this petition.
 9. Klaver began discussion about the pros and cons of the two rhythm options for All-State Auditions. It seems that some judges have a preference. The All-State chair was contacted and stated that there is to be no preferred rhythm.
 10. Finances: Newell since our financial situation is strong, should we consider raising the Major Landers scholarship awards? Tinder suggested raising awards to \$750, \$500, \$250. Jacobus/Armentrout motion to raise awards to \$750, \$500, \$250. Motion carried. IBA has suggested that districts help with the expenses of the Major Landers candidates at IBA conference. Tinder will look into it.

New Business

1. Discussion about whether SWIBA should hire clinicians for honor bands directors' clinics. That will be left to the discretion of the chairs.
2. Hanzlik/Jacobus motion to waive fees for one band for the school of the jazz chair and host for the jazz festival and to reimburse IWCC the fee amount. Motion carried.
3. Discussion about how to handle equity of above policy for honor bands. Klaver/ Craig motion to waive honor band registration fees for hosts and chair of the honor bands and honor band auditions. Hanzlik/Johnson amendment to limit waiver to \$100. Klaver accepted amendment. Motion carried.
4. Jacobus invited directors to bring their bands to Glenwood's competition on October 6, a week before State.
5. Hanzlik hosted a solo contest last year for HS using Smart Music. The contest was successful and Hanzlik offered to work with anyone who would like to learn more about using Smart Music in the contest setting.

6. Myron Welch is retiring at the U of I after this year. The U of I band under his direction will perform at Carnegie Hall this spring w/ Louis Hanzlik as soloist.
7. Touney invited directors to bring their bands to the Clarinda Band Festival. Also asked if there is interest in SWIBA forming a HS Big band for the Glenn Miller Jazz Festival. Many directors expressed interest.
8. Newell led discussion on possibility of moving the IBA conference to another venue in Des Moines. Email opinions to Newell. Newell took an informal poll in which support was overwhelming to keep conference as is.
9. Email Newell with opinions and suggestions about changing the district luncheon at the IBA conference.
10. The president officiated over the drawings for items donated by Riemans Music and Schmitt Music and adjourned the meeting.

Bob Hoffmann, SWIBA Secretary