

SOUTHWEST IOWA BANDMASTER

Spring Meeting

May 13, 2005

The Hotel Ft. Des Moines, Des Moines, Iowa

Meeting was called to order by Craig Crilly at 12:15 p.m.

Minutes were read and approved.

Treasurers report was read and approved.

The following committee reports were given:

- Elementary Affairs: Sue Schneider, Elementary assessments were discussed. Sue will bring copies to the fall mtg. Discussion on choosing quality horns. Legally you should not print specific store names. Also discussed balanced instrumentation for beginning band.
- Middle School Affairs: Pam Ryan. All Iowa Honor Band went well. Andrew Boysen's commissioned piece was very nice. Contact Kjos to get it published "Unraveling". Steven Bulla will be next year's conductor. The discussed expanding their view to more than just the All-Iowa Honor Band.
- Concert Band Affairs: Craig Crilly. There is a mvt. to change the percussion audition process for all-state. Talk to Craig with input. Sight reading at all-state, solo/ensemble, and large group is also being discussed. ICDA would be included in any smart music inclusion decision for solo contest. Alan Greiner shared registration deadline changes for piano festival and large group. He also recommended visiting the Hall of Fame....music is very represented.
- Marching Band Affairs: Mike Peters. The new score sheets with rubrics on the back seemed to be a favorable change. Survey will come to all teachers for input. They want to find new ways to get smaller schools to participate in the state MB contest. Trying to brainstorm lots of new ideas, a survey will be coming on that also.
- SW HS Honor Band: Kim Smith. Give her names of possible directors for next year.
- SW MS Honor Band: Patti Bekkerus. Auditions in Clarinda, Festival in Atlantic. Give her names of possible directors, Pam Ryan will do 7th grade.
- SWIHMB: Dave Clark. Nothing
- College Affairs: Eric Johnson. Nothing.
- Mentorship: Joe Tacket. Lots of activity. A 1 yr. 32,000 grant to IBA to set up mentorship programs. They'll fund activities for 1st and maybe 2nd year teachers. A symposium at ISU for them and they'll get paid. Very neat! IBAARD members could get paid to be paired with a new teacher to go see them up to 4 times a year. They're putting together a website with lots of helpful information and resources. This will be linked to our SWIBA site.
- R&D: Desmond Armentrout. This fall there will be another survey out and results will get posted on the IBA website.
- Jazz Affairs: Steve Brit. They'll meet later today. Possibly go to a unified judging sheet for other festivals. Possibly set up a rotation for using the civic center stage.
- Major Landers: Byron Tinder. Best of luck to Katie Seehusen, from Atlantic who is our candidate.
- Public Relations: Ruben Newell. Let him know of any problems with the website. All state etude recordings....see Ruben if you'll do the recording. Shared the top 7 users of the email site.
- Student Affairs: Still need to fill this.

Endowment: Chuck Tuetsche. General update, that this funds major landers & the conference.
Presidents report: Thanks to Craig for a great year of leadership. IBA is concerned that their membership is down 81 people.

Old Business

Retiree: Best wishes to Joe Tackett as he finishes a great career!

New Business

Elections:

President-elect: John Hewett and Raygene Darling were nominated. John will be it.

Concert Band affairs: Craig will continue

Marching Band affairs: Mike will continue

Mentorship: Lee Nelson will take over.

College Affairs: tabled until fall.

Major Landers: Byron will continue

Calendar:

New calendar handed out. Check it online at swiba.org.

It was moved and approved to commission a work for the h.s. honor band. Kim Smith and committee will find someone for that.

Alan Greiner visited to discuss reclassification. He shared info. about why the changes were made. Much discussion took place.

Other Concerns

Door prizes were handed out. WOW! Thank you Moore Music for the wonderful donation of a Fender Guitar.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully,

Tracie Hawley
SWIBA secretary/treasurer