

OMEA Dist. 3 Fall Meeting

Monday, Sept. 10, 2007

Bath MS Bandroom

1. Meeting called to order at 7:31 PM, introductions were made, 29 members present.
2. Motion by Sandy Miller/Helen Ruhlen to approve minutes from the 2007 spring meeting. **MOTION APPROVED.**
3. Motion by Anita Cook/Shannon Wagner, to approve treasurer's report - **MOTION APPROVED**

4. Executive Board Reports

- a. **Pres. Erin Grim** - no report at this time
- b. **Pres. elect** - Anita Cook encouraged all to update their OMEA membership information through the OMEA website. Dane Newlove & Jean Smith put together mentor packets for music staff new to the district, including a district directory, a "Highly Qualified Teacher" brochure that's included in the Sept. TRIAD. Anita distributed a tri-fold promotional to give to non-OMEA music staff
- c. **Sec./Treas. Karen Kelly** - Thanked the district for the purchase of a new laptop (15" MacBookPro) & accompanying software (Quicken 2007, Works 2004 for Mac, Apple extended warranty). Also thanked those who returned their directory update information by the deadline.
- d. **Past pres. Chuck Sellars** - no report at this time

5. Committee Reports

- a. **District HS Festival** - Bob Sloan/Karen Kelly - The first mailing will go out the first week in October, in addition to an online notice. Bob Jorgenson and Anne Usher are the guest band/choir conductors, both from Univ. of Akron. Discussion was held concerning the next D3 commission, due for the choir. Motion made by Sarah Werbach/Steven Popa to have Bob Sloan and Stacie Korte research the commission. **MOTION APPROVED**
- b. **District Jazz Band** - Dave Sycks/John Stetler - Rehearsals originally scheduled in Celina, are now in Elida. Encourage students to audition for jazz band, even if their local school does not have a jazz program.
- c. **District JH Festival** - Klayton Hilleary - Haley Armstong, conductor of the 555th National Guard Band, in Toledo, will be the 2008 guest band conductor. Klayton would like to do as much as possible online. Let him know what problems occur. He will scan parts into PDF's, send thru e's, then purchase original parts later. The initial contact will be USPS, then thru e's.
- d. **District Conference** - Dane Newlove - Dane will contact a caterer, Anita Cook is the guest speaker.
- e. **Festival Scholarships** - Helen Ruhlen - Changes will be made to the 2008 application: add the GPA, remove the social security no., require applications be typed. The scholarship selection committee is Marcia Verhoff-Koch, Erin Grim, Klayton Hileary, Helen Ruhlen, Shannon Wagner and Sandy Miller.
- f. **General Music/MIOSM** - Helen Ruhlen - "Music Touches Lives", there WILL be a concert, March 13, 2008. For \$10, a DVD is available, music is available online & will be posted on the D3 website. Helen would like information from teachers in D3 who've done something special w/ their music classes. Sept. 14 is "National Anthem" day, Sept. 17 is "Constitution Day"
- g. **Public Relations** - Elmer Broecker - Many electronic/online news sites available. Elmer has made progress promoting D3 OMEA school music events
- h. **Mentoring** - Dick Sherrick - "www.district3omea.org>activities>mentors". More retirees are available & are being asked to visit area schools; Dale Laukhuf, Tony Alessandrini, Harold Beckett, Dick Sherrick, Linda Fox-Miller, Lynn Knoble. Everyone in the district is a mentor in some fashion. We're available, willing, don't be intimidated. Check w/ Sarah Werbach for PRAXIS information
- i. **Retirees** - Tony Alessandrini - it's nice to be asked to come & visit/work with area ensembles. Use retirees to help run any one of the AEs.
- j. **Technology/Website** - Bob Sloan - All the district information is there. Sign up for OMEA mass emails

6. Adjudicated Events Report

- a. **HS S/E** - Linda Fox-Miller/Dane Newlove - no report at this time
- b. **HS Large Group** - Bath (East)/VW (West) in 2008. VW is trying to avoid the use of a gym, working w/ some options for the use of the new lecture hall for the choirs
- c. **JH S/E** - Zach Thomas (Liberty Benton/north)/Jen Bear (Minster/south) - This year, Elida & Bath will be the swing schools to either N/S depending on number of events. Discussion w/in the state AE committee, about a more tangible award for JH S/E students than a ribbon. A "cool" new pin has been designed for S/E and lg at the MS level.
- d. **JH Large Group** - Shannon Wagner - Bands will be in the new auditorium, choirs in the Aux/MS gym. Erin will email information to Shannon & advised her of the "How To" guidelines available thru OMEA, on running an AE

7. OMEA State & NW Region Officer Reports

- a. **Conference 2008** - 1st weekend in Feb. 6 hrs. of prof development are available. The first night concert is Peter Booneshaft, a motivational speaker along w/ Keith Brion/Sousa Band combined w/ the OSU marching band. The OMEA website is changing to a new server, consequently, OMEA-Ohio.org will be under construction for approx. a month. Anita expects to have things back on line by November. The newly formed "Ohio Foundation for Music Education" is up & running - a think tank for OMEA. Board members are OMEA state officers, Roger Hall, corporate, business people.

- b. **NW Region Chair Elect** - Chuck Sellars - no report
- c. **AE immediate past chair** - "Creative Events" is the most underused event. LG Class D is also underused. A "I" rating in D will not qualify an ensemble for state, but provides a positive experience. The 2008 AE season is the last year for the GREEN rules/regs book. A concern for the new rules/reg book: eligibility. Are large ensembles consisting solely of home schooled students eligible to participate in OMEA events?
- d. **MIOS** - Helen Ruhlen - see item 5f
- e. **Mentorship Chair** - Jean Smith - see item 5h
- f. **Liaison Officials/Awards Coordinator** - Linda Fox-Miller - Deadline for nominations is Oct. 19. Linda hasn't received any. Check the TRIAD for nomination forms & names of previous recipients.

8. Old Business

- a. JH SE division - see item 6c.
- b. 2007-08 calendar - phone numbers were updated on the calendar. Refer to the back inside cover of the Directory
- c. HS Choir commission - see item 5a
- d. New district laptop - see item 4c

9. New Business

- a. Newly retired D3 members? - Joan Frey, Nancy Thomas, Cathie Brown, Dick Sherrick, Gail Malloy, Linda Fox-Miller
- b. TRIAD p. 66
- c. done

10. Concerns for the State Board Meeting - not at this time

11. For the Good of the Order:

- a. Anita Cook is now the marketing director for the ONU Freed Center for the Performing Arts.
- b. ONU is performing "Beauty & the Beast" this fall. School group tickets are \$5, free for directors/bus drivers
- c. Erin Grim - LSO youth orchestra concerts will be in March & April
- d. LSO young peoples concert is Nov. 6
- e. "NutCracker" will be in December
- f. "Kids Stuff" is a program on Saturday mornings in the Lima Public Lib., sponsored the by LSO
- g. OSU Marching Band will be performing at the Lima Civic Center on Oct. 24.
- h. "Dallas Brass" will be at the Niswonger Performing Arts Center in Van Wert, Sept. 22, at 7:30. The US Army Field Band and Singing Sergants will be at the NPAC on Oct. 16. www.NPAC.org
- i. Sandy Miller mentioned the Bluffton Univ. concert series.

12. Motion for adjournment

Motion by Klayton Hilleary/Bob Sloan - 8:52 pm
Submitted by Karen Kelly, D3 sec./treas., 9/10/07

End of year balance in state account:

June 2007 - \$20,000
June 2006 - \$16,000
June 2005 - \$10,000
June 2004 - \$8000
June 2003 - \$7000
June 2002 - \$9800
June 2001 - \$11,000
June 2000 - \$15,000\