

WMTA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Zoom Meeting

October 22, 2020 8:00pm – 10:00pm

On the Call: Rachel Fritz, Nicholas Phillips, Kayme Henkel, Justin Krueger, Sydney Alexander, Teresa Drews, Mary Anne Olvera, Opala Bilhorn, Jessica Johnson, Sandra Statz, Mickey Lytle, and Katie Butler.

- I. Call to Order/Welcome:** 8:03pm
- II. Adoption of Agenda** Approval by Consensus.
- III. Approval of Minutes** Approval by Consensus.
- IV. Reports of Officers**
 - a. **President, Rachel Fritz** – See attached report. Fritz has been working on new appointments. Some announcements will come when those are official. Heywood will be the new Certification Chair. The next MTNA Conference won't be until 2022 in Minneapolis as the 2021 conference is canceled.
 - b. **Immediate Past President, Nicholas Phillips, NCTM** – No report.
 - c. **1st VP-Conference, Kayme Henkel, NCTM** – See attached report. Thank you to everybody's support and patience as we had to cancel this year's events.
 - d. **2nd VP-Membership, Justin Krueger, NCTM** – See attached report.
 - e. **Treasurer, Sydney Alexander** – See attached report.
- V. Reports of Program Chairs**
 - a. **Arts Awareness and Advocacy, Teresa Drews** – No report.
 - b. **Badger Keyboard Competition, Mary Anne Olvera, NCTM** – See attached report.
 - c. **Badger Vocal/Instrumental Competition – Opala Bilhorn, NCTM** – See attached report.
 - d. **College Faculty Representative, Jessica Johnson, NCTM** – No report.
 - e. **District Auditions, Sandra Statz, NCTM** – See attached report.
 - f. **Independent Music Teachers Forum, Mickey Lytle, NCTM** – See attached report.
 - g. **Local Associations, Mary Anne Olvera, NCTM** – See attached report.
- VI. Standing/Special Committees**
 - a. **Finance Committee, Sydney Alexander** – Eight Local Association grants were requested and will be voted on in New Business.
 - b. **Nominating Committee, Nicholas Phillips, NCTM** – Mickey Lytle is on the slate for president-elect. Voting will take place during the membership zoom meeting this coming Saturday.
- VII. Old Business**
 - a. **2020 Annual Business Meeting, Rachel Fritz** – Meeting will be held by consensus. The board briefly addressed the procedures for polling on a Zoom meeting.
 - b. **District Auditions 2021, Sandra Statz, NCTM** –
 - i. During the summer board meeting it was determined we should make a decision by this meeting as to whether District Auditions would be held as virtual or a combination of virtual and in-person. Discussion was given on the subject. Phillips moved that District Auditions all be virtual. Statz seconded. Motion amended. Phillips motioned that all WMTA auditions for 2021 will be virtual, Statz seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
 - ii. The computer technician for Ovations quit last year so we are seeking professional assistance as we move into a year with virtual submissions. Statz has been researching options that balance the features and costs that will work for our organization. Discussion regarding what would better serve the students and teachers and how the procedure would work for judges. Phillips motioned that this board approves using money to pursue a platform for virtual auditions not to exceed nine thousand dollars. Henkel seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

- iii. There are several steps to complete the process of receiving and correcting theory exams in a virtual format. Discussion regarding the inclusion of the theory exam in 2021 auditions. The members value music theory and determined it was important to find a way to incorporate it in the process of virtual auditions in 2021.
- iv. The board discussed issues regarding licensing of an uploaded score. It would be recommended, for good judge comments, that a score be uploaded and included for the Judge to review. This will be a password protected site and only the judge will have access to view the uploaded score. WMTA at this time has secured permissions from three publishers to upload scores. Exact publisher wording was reviewed. Potential communication on behalf of WMTA may need to be established to avoid issues.

VIII. New Business

- a. **Local Association Grants, Rachel Fritz** – We received eight grant requests this year. LaCrosse asked for their grant to be used to provide refreshments during auditions. Because these will now be virtual, they will be given the opportunity to spend it in another way. Krueger motioned to fund all seven local association grants that were submitted. Statz seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

IX. Announcements

- a. Next meeting will be a virtual meeting held on February 12th and start at 9am.

X. Adjournment 9:28pm. Krueger motioned to adjourn. Alexander seconded.