

VCDA District II FEBRUARY Meeting

MINUTES

Saturday, February 9, 2019
Tallwood HS, Virginia Beach

AGENDA

- I. **Call to Order** Time: 9:33 am
 - II. **Confirmation of Agenda** Motion: Ally Tarwater
Second: Yvette Wyatt
 - III. **Approval of Minutes** Motion: Kathy Landas
Second: Karla Robinson
 - IV. **Roll Call by Sign In**
 - a. Please update and sign the VCDA District II Roster
 - V. **Old Business**
 - a. Introduction of “Returning” and “New” Faculty
 - b. District Chorus Auditions 2018 Report
 - i. Ashley Landon and Sarah Haigh – Co-Chairpersons
 - c. All-District Chorus Event 2019 Report
 - i. Mary Letson and Lynne German – Co-Chairpersons
 - d. All-Virginia Chorus Auditions 2019 Report
 - i. Corbin Thomas Pinto
 - ii. Verify with Corbin that your student is present and pick up your All-Virginia Packets before the first concert today.
Discussion:
 - Karla Robinson: Limiting somehow whether by grade or score. Earning the right to audition.
 - Kathy Landas: Bigger district that has more students to audition.
 - David Prescott: Allowing Freshmen and Sophomores to audition was not 100% cleared with all High School directors. Mainly executed by Middle School Directors.
 - Don Krudop: Some schools limited auditions to Juniors and Seniors in their building, presented possibility of limiting as a district to Juniors and Seniors for voting.
 - Tameika Sawyer: Must anticipate for years where student’s participation will be greater than it is now.
 - Corbin Pinto: Perhaps limiting by score to audition, moving audition event to another day.
 - John Brewington: Individual schools may limit Freshmen/Sophomores from auditioning, but District as a whole may not.
- Motion by Corbin Pinto: District chorus participants scoring within the top 50% will be eligible to audition for All-State.
Second: Karla Robinson

Motion passes

- e. All-Virginia Chorus Event 2019
 - i. When: April 4-6, 2019
 - ii. Where: Richmond, VA
 - iii. Conductors: SATB –Dr. Allen Hightower, University of North Texas
SSAA – Dr. Pearl Shangkuan, Calvin College
 - iv. Housing: We will house by district with two female and two male chaperones.
Please see Corbin if you would like to be a chaperone.
 - v. Approximated Cost: \$325 per student
 - vi. Workshops at All-Virginia submission deadline is Friday, February 15, 2019.
Submission Link:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf5nH9wkzs9nzjE7Fcb_5poGUY2lPfqXgG60MMIYd2aV86w5g/viewform
Questions directed to: Daniel Upton, Instrumental dupton@harrisonburg.k12.va.us
Bethany Houff, Choral bhouff@harrisonburg.k12.va.us
- f. All-VA Middle School Honor Choir
 - i. Verbal poll: how many kids from our district made it? Who will be attending the event?
- g. District Choral Assessment 2019
 - i. When: March 15-16, 2019
 - ii. Where: Norview HS, 6501 Chesapeake Blvd, Norfolk, VA 23513
 - 1. Host: Sarah Tilghman
 - iii. Chairperson: Sarah Tilghman
 - iv. Registration Due Today February 9th
 - v. Blue Ribbon Applications are due by Friday, February 15th
- h. 2019 NAFME All-National Honor Ensembles Orlando, Florida November 7–10, 2019
Audition Deadline: May 3, 2019, 11:59 P.M
- i. NAFME – bylaw change – Please vote!!
John Brewington: Motion Passed. Thanks for voting!

VI. New Business

- a. Fall Meeting:
 - i. When: TBD
 - ii. Where: TBD
- b. 2019-2020 VCDA District II Sign-Ups
- c. Honors Choir Auditions
 - i. When: Saturday, October 12, 2019
- d. District Chorus Auditions 2018
 - i. When: Saturday, November 2, 2019
 - ii. Where: **Plaza Middle (Possible), Corporate Landing (Possible)**
 - 1. Host: _____
 - iii. Who: Ashley Landon, Sarah Haigh, Carl Copon – Co-Chairpersons
- e. VMEA In-Service Conference 2019
 - i. When: November 21-23, 2019
 - ii. Where: Omni Homestead Resort in Hot Springs, VA
 - iii. What: Clinic proposal window: February 1 – April 1
Performance applications due March 1-April 28th
**40th Anniversary of the VMEA Conference and 75th Anniversary of VMEA

**Choral Headliner is David Stutzenberger

iv. Conference will be in Norfolk in 2020-2021 and Richmond for 2022-2023

- f. District Chorus Event 2020
 - i. When: February 6-8, 2020
 - ii. Where: Booker T Washington
 - 1. Host: Yvette Wyatt
 - 2. Future District Chorus Sites:
 - a. 2021- Ocean Lakes
 - b. 2022- Green Run
 - c. 2023- Cox
 - d. 2024- Kellam
 - e. 2025- Tallwood
 - iii. Conductors:
 - 1. Festival: Jim Papoulis
 - 2. HS Treble Choir: Patti Drennan
 - 3. HS Mixed Choir: Joe Harmon
 - iv. Who: Carl Copon and Lynne German
 - 1. Mary Letson (financial)
 - 2. Sharon Parker (food)
- g. All-Virginia Chorus Auditions 2020
 - i. When: Thursday, February 6, 2020
 - ii. Where: Booker T.
 - iii. Who: District Chair - TBD
- h. District Choral Assessment 2020
 - i. When: March 20-21, 2020
 - ii. Where: Norview HS
 - iii. Who: Sarah Tilghman
- i. All-Virginia Chorus Event
 - i. When: April 2-4, 2020
- j. Outstanding Music Educator of the Year AND Administrator of the Year
 - i. Please complete the ballot and place them in the box by 12 PM
- k. District Choral Representative elections will serve for the 2019-2021 school years
 - i. Please complete the ballot and place them in the box by 12 PM

VII. Motions

- a. Students with changing voices may audition for a different voice part for All-VA auditions if approved by their teacher and the district representative.

Motion: Bill Boardman

Second: **Corbin Pinto**

Discussion:

Carl Copon: Limitations where the Director has contacted the representative to inform of the situation. So that it isn't just a manipulation of the voice parts.

Fenter: 2nd Tenor auditioning as 1st Tenor because of less people auditioning as 1st tenor.

Copon: Director limitation to contacting representative and explaining why negates that manipulation.

David Prescott motions to amend Bill's motion to say to Male students with changing voices.

Second: Ashley Landon

Amended Motion: Male students in District Chorus singing soprano or alto with changing voices may audition for a different voice part for All-VA auditions if approved by their teacher and the district representative.

Motion passes

b. Festival Chorus will be a SAB ensemble and that even though T and B audition separately they will be combined for the choir.

Motion: __ Delena Poe _____

Second: Corbin Pinto

Discussion:

DeLena Poe: Presented 2 motions.

Motion Passes

c. A \$100 late fee will be applied to schools who turn in event forms and fees after the deadline.

Motion: __ Corbin Pinto _____

Second: Karla Robinson

Discussion:

Karla Robinson: Postmarked by the due date instead of due at the due date just because of travel time?

Corbin Pinto: Leaving as is because of an All-State Postmark problem in years previous.

Celethia Penn: Middle School vs. High School, Middle Schools are at the mercy of Bookkeeper/Principal.

Karla Robinson: When would dates been known?

Corbin Pinto: September Meeting

Tameika Sawyer: Battle with Bookkeeper/Principal all year long, where still no action occurs on the other end. Is there an official form/letter that can be sent to Bookkeeper/Principal to help with schools that are having that issue?

Patrick Garrison: Having consistency of when names/forms are due.

Keeping consistency for each event when they are due to avoid confusion.

Bill Boardman: Adhering to some form of deadline for parents, students alike. Having hard deadlines where parents and students must adhere to which allows time to get Alternates and avoids other issues with alternate forms of payment. Students that didn't participate and knowing in advance to call alternates so that money that would be lost is still available to help pay for events.

Voting: Motion does not pass.

Example:

- Sept meeting all due dates are given to the membership for the year
- 1 week prior to due date - event chairs will send a reminder
- after due date \$100.00 fine

- 10 school days past the due date - ineligible to participate
- Items due on the due date:
- NAFME membership information
 - School Financial Form
 - Check or Money Order from school or official boosters organization
 - Student Forms (Attendance forms signed, Appendix H signed, and/or All-VA commitment form)

Motion: Eastern Shore teachers and students hotel expenses will be covered Thursday and Friday night for District Chorus event.

DeLena Poe: Students have been brought over on Thursday night in years past to stay for the entire weekend to avoid safety issues, traffic, and presenting equal opportunity for all students that we should continue keeping Eastern Shore nights Thursday and Friday.

Motion: James Fedderman

Second: Matt Gillis

Motion passes

VIII. Adjournment

Time: 10:28