

VCDA District II September Meeting

MINUTES

Monday Sep 13, 2021

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- I. Call to Order** Time: 6:20pm
- II. Confirmation of Agenda** Motion: Corbin Pinto
Second: Ajee Church
- III. Approval of Minutes:** found online at <https://www.vcda2.com/>
Motion: Kathleen Landas
Second: Kayla Centaure
- IV. Roll Call by Sign In**
on google form: <https://forms.gle/YuisazCq69CM6iyS7>
- V. New Business**
- A. COVID-19
- All VMEA/VCDA 2021-2022 state events are “staying the course” and they will keep assessing.
 - It will be up to districts to decide on whether to make events virtual or face to face (live) and must follow your district's health and field trip guidelines.
 - Really vital to continue holding these events, however, we must follow each district's guidelines.*
- Accomack County-**
- Independent Schools-**
- Leslie Fenter (Catholic HS) - Field trips are on hold at this time. Reassess over winter break. Rehearsals inside 6ft. apart unmasked. Every other time is masked. Outside rehearsals unmasked.*
- Norfolk-**
- Ajee Church - NPS has not said 'flat out NO.' Masks indoors 3ft apart socially distanced. Unmasked outside.*
- Northampton-**
- Private Schools-**
- Virginia Beach-** Masking required and distancing to the “greatest extent possible.”
Field trips are on hold as of current.
- 2021-2022- District Level Events- DISTRICT LEVEL DECISION!
 - What health protocols are we making for our events at the local level?
 - VMEA is trying to make a general statement to support local decisions and in contact with lawyers to help us with these decisions.

- *VBODA is requiring full vaccination of participants, conductors, accompanists, student performers for District Band and Regional Orchestra OR if not vaccinated, must submit a negative PCR tests 72 hours prior*
 - *What does VCDA want to do for our events?*
- Similar decisions are also being made by our counties/cities in regards to athletes, so we can gather more information from them as well.

B. Virginia Senior Honors Choir 2021

- <https://www.vmea.com/index.php/events-menu/honors-choirs>
- Opus events is the platform
- Audition Letter- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/18mA-B-4vYVqx4Av2tGZ0GcgUWqjgJJ-eiAj0BOANe0Y/edit>
 - September 1-17- Registration
 - September 1-24 Payment Window (*edited*)
 - October 1-8- Audition Window
 - October 13- Results sent to Directors
- Conductor: Andrea Ramsey
- Audition questions go to Jordan Markwood and My-Van Nguyen
- Event questions go to Joe Eveler

C. District Chorus Auditions 2021

- When: Nov 6, 2021
- Who: Erin DuBose and [Karla Robinson](#)
- What do auditions look like this year?
- *VMEA is asking us to use OPUS as the virtual audition host.*
- *Looking for an audition co-chair.*
- *Karla Robinson volunteered to co-chair.*
- *Kathleen Landas and Corbin Pinto - Virtual seems best at this time.*
 - *Having students in the building would help with submitting auditions.*
- *Kayla Centaure - Would we be including Sight Reading in the audition?*
- *VOTE: District Chorus Auditions will be virtual this year.*
- *VOTE: Sight Reading will be added back to HS Audition this year.*

D. VMEA In-Service Conference 2021

- When: November 18-20, 2021
- Where- Norfolk, VA (in-person)
 - *VMEA Communication will be coming out THIS WEEK in terms of health mitigations and protocols for conference*
 - *Fully masked and sanitation procedures will be in place*
- Pre-registration due by Oct 31
 - *Pre-registration on VMEA website.*
- Adjudicator training WILL be offered again at conference
- Diana Saez, Towson State University- Headliner - Reading session focussing on Choral from Latin America
- Special guest: Robert Shoup , director of the Norfolk Street Choir Project

Literature Manual Submissions

- Committee interest - <https://forms.gle/xmH6YewFDYrFiNoP7>

- Electronic submission form - <https://forms.gle/A4eccLvNTKwxgHD59>
- updated rubric - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hYCzzMnYZgHWDWvLy3o1TnW3TZi30P0eF6eJeo_8HjU/edit?usp=sharing
- *Check list of repertoire before submitting.*
- *Corbin Pinto - Thank you to Lynne German and Ajee Church for help with reviewing submissions.*
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E. District Chorus Event 2022

- When: February 11-12, 2022
- Who: *_Carl Copon and Karen Nemeth_*
- Where: Ocean Lakes
 - Host: Bill Boardman
 - Future District Chorus Sites:
 - 2023- Green Run
 - 2024 - Cox
 - 2024- Salem
 - 2025- Kellam
 - 2026 - Tallwood
- Conductors:
 - Festival: ?
 - HS Treble Choir: McKenna Stenson
 - HS Mixed Choir: Bryan Stenson
 - *Still unsure of what kind of event it will be F2F or Virtual.*
 - *Checking with Lynne German to confirm conductors for event.*

F. All-Virginia Chorus Auditions 2022

- When: February 2022
- Where: TBD
- Audition Format: TBD
- Repertoire: Where E're You Walk
- Host: _____
- Who: District Rep- Ashley Landon
- Registration Due: Typically near March 1 (tentative)
- *Corbin Pinto - Auditions have been attached to the District Chorus Event, usually on the Thursday or Friday. Will need to check with Bill Boardman at Ocean Lakes HS to confirm.*

G. District Assessment 2022

- When: March 18-19, 2022
- Who: Sarah Tilghman
- Where: Norview High School
6501 Chesapeake Blvd.
Norfolk, VA 23513
- Registration Due: Saturday February 12, 2022

H. VMEA All-Virginia Chorus 2022

- April 2022
- Conductors
- SATB - Dr. Paul Head, University of Delaware
- SSAA - Dr. Lynn Gackle, Baylor University

I. VCDA 2 Website

- Webmaster: *Kayla Centaure*

VI. Motions *NONE*

VII. For the good of the group:

- a. Kathleen Landas - Is there any information about volunteering to judge for different districts for virtual auditions?*
 - i. Ashley Landon - As of right now, we are able to collect money, so we should be able to pay judges.*

VIII. Adjournment

Time: *6:53pm*