

## AFFILIATED WITH MUSIC TEACHERS NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

**OhioMTA Executive Committee**  
**OhioMTA 2018 Conference: Cleveland State University**  
Thursday, October 18, 2018 9:30 am  
**Meeting Minutes**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Meeting Minutes from 5/29/18  
(approved by email and placed in Dropbox 6/3/18)
- III. Treasurer's Report: Summary
  - A. Finance Committee activity
  - B. Addendum:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ciOW4bTJR5phFsmH9ff5RIS5IRBuSxsTKu7P9F2c2n/edit?usp=sharing>  
Passed on 7/28/18 by Executive board via email: changes to Buckeye Auditions awards, judges reimbursement for Buckeye and MTNA competitions and verbiage concerning RCM medals.
- IV. President: Suzanne Newcomb
  - A. State Board position updates
    1. Patrick Reynolds, NEW Commissioned Composer Chairman; Margarita Denenburg is joining the Executive Board
    2. Andrew Villemez, MTNA Competition Jr./Sr coordinator
    3. Sonya will confirm with other remaining State Board members
  - B. Communication with members
    1. Website – Richard will resign his position at the end of 2018
    2. Ideas for replacement – ask the board if they have any recommendations. Not a paid position
    3. Website and logo revamp are both being considered
    4. Monthly E-Notes through Constant Contact, since May
      - a. 60% average open rate
      - b. 2-20% click-through rate
      - c. Annual district features, usually the one hosting the conference
    5. State Facebook page
      - a. Brent will give the new board admin privileges
      - b. Keep liking posts, sharing, finding new material, removing spam
  - C. 2019 Foundation Fellow Nominee is Sheila Vail
    1. Raffle
    2. District and personal donations
  - D. New Executive Board for 2018-20 will be installed Saturday
    - President: Sonya Szabo-Reynolds
    - President-Elect: Laura Benson
    - VP of Affiliated Associations: Karen Campo
    - VP of Conferences: Susan Treer
    - VP of Membership: Peter Oehrtman
    - VP of Student Activities: Margarita Denenburg
    - Treasurer: Brent Schloneger

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- Immediate Past President: Suzanne Newcomb
  - \*\* Please communicate with your successor by updating your job descriptions/timeline
  - E. Thank you to the Executive Board for a productive and enjoyable two years!
- V. President-Elect: Sonya Szabo-Reynold
- A. Advertising chair, Bruce Piper.
    1. Communication with conference committees
    2. Bruce created new form/letter for advertising sales
    3. Need better communication between Executive Committee, State Advertising Chair, and Conference Advertising Chair
    4. Clarify ad sizes – what is full page in August mailing vs. Conference Book
    5. Timeline will be distributed via Dropbox
  - B. August mailing
    1. Mailing completed
    2. Mailing will be continued but we need to keep assessing its relevance
- VI. VP-Conferences: Karen Campo
- A. 2018 Conference - Northeast District (Megan Denman and Andrew Focks, chair-people)
    1. Cleveland State, October 18-20, 2018
    2. Logan Skelton, presenter
    3. Special thanks to the committee
    4. Composer of the Year – Jacob Reed
    5. Many surprises with this year's conference planning
  - B. 2019 State Conference, NW district – Natalie Denhoff, chair
    1. October 24-26, 2019
    2. Committee progress
    3. Conference artist – The Brooklyn Duo
    4. Conference presenter – Sam Holland
    5. Location – Lourdes, University, Sylvania
    6. Hotel – Wyndham Hotel
  - C. Discussion occurred around the possibility of moving the conference to summer/shorter conference. Attendance is down this year.
  - D. Proposal forms online need to be updated.
- VII. VP-Membership: Michael Benson
- A. Monthly updating of Constant Contact Email lists
    1. Thanks to Brent for helping out.
  - B. Current membership is 558 as of 10/15/18
  - C. Certified Teacher of the Year – Annette Suhovecky
  - D. Approval of Cedarville University collegiate chapter application
    1. Andi moved and Karen seconds approval
    2. Unanimously approved
  - E. Collegiate Chapter posters at 2018 conference
    1. 2 posters from OU and CCM
  - F. Membership retention (Sonya)
    1. MTNA Leadership Summit – want us to remind local district chairs to reach out through personal contact to non-renewing and non-members

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- G. CFF, Collegiate, IMTF forums in the future (Sonya)
    - 1. National conference – no longer have these forums meet
    - 2. Exist as online communities
    - 3. It's our option to continue this at the state level conference
    - 4. Need to reexamine roles of IMTF, CFF, and Collegiate board positions
    - 5. Need links on our website to take these groups to the MTNA forums
  - H. Peter Oehrtmann has reached out to Michael for information
- VIII. VP-Affiliated Districts: Joy Morin
- A. Teacher Scholarship Recipient – Karen Zhang
    - 1. 3 Applications
    - 2. Award \$500 at Saturday lunch
  - B. Conference dinner meetup with district and local presidents to occur Thursday  
evening the 18th @ 6:15pm at Puente Viejo.
  - C. Discussion of OhioMTA Logo
    - 1. Classic Style
    - 2. Still working with font/colors
    - 3. Consider how it looks in black and white
  - D. Continued maintenance of the Microsoft Word file listing names of the current district presidents and membership chairs(see Dropbox > Important Documents > List of Affiliated Presidents and Membership Chairs.docx).
- IX. VP-Student Activities: Laura Melton
- A. MTNA Competition
    - 1. October 13-14, 2018, at CCM
    - 2. Cole Burger, state MTNA competition chair
    - 3. Richard Van Dyke, Site coordinator
    - 4. Future site: TBA
  - B. Buckeye Competition, Michael Benson, chairman
    - 1. Site for June 7-8, 2019 Buckeye Competition: Malone University
    - 2. Online Registration created – applications still mailed to district chair with payment.
      - a. Each district has different application fees. Makes it difficult to coordinate on a state level.
      - b. Overall, online registration viewed positively.
      - c. We'd like to see fees formalized
      - d. Everyone needs to have a non-member rate
    - 3. Website updated with Rules & Regulations
    - 4. Rules & Regulations sent in August mailing
    - 5. Award money increased by Exec. Board in July
  - C. Royal Conservatory of Music Certificate Program
    - 1. Medal information sent in August mailing
    - 2. Rebate check of \$1060 will be announced Saturday
- X. Immediate Past President – Andi McAlister
- A. Job descriptions updated in Dropbox

Adjourned at 10:45