

OhioMTA Executive Committee Meeting

University of Cincinnati, College-Conservatory of Music

Thursday, September 26, 2013 10:00 AM

Present: Judy Bede, Brent Schloneger, Richard Van Dyke, Suzanne Newcomb, Andrea McAlister, Annette Hoverman, and Cheryl Staats.

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am by President, Richard Van Dyke

Minutes of the May 31, 2013 meeting approved via email July 8, 2013.

Treasurer's Report – Brent reported a checking account balance of \$98,251.36 and Scholarship Fund with a balance of \$39,692.00, as of Sept. 23, 2013. The Treasurer's Report was filed for audit and is basically fine, with no recommendations for change.

Officer's Reports

Richard Van Dyke, President

- MTNA National Audit made the following recommendations for Cash on Hand: keep three months operating expenses (6-12 months is even better), but not more than two years. Charitable organizations should not stock pile cash. Our budget is close to \$40K/yr, with unrestricted funds \$94/yr, so we exceed the recommendation. Our options are(1)do nothing(2) shift some funds into a one or two year CD (3) give more to scholarships (4) give some money back to each district (5) something else. Conclusion was to take no action at this time and defer discussion until the January 31, 2014 Executive Committee Meeting. Ohio is in great shape at this time.
- Richard summarized the MTNA FTC Report "Avoiding Antitrust Liabilities During Association Activities"
 1. Ethics Clauses are under investigation
 2. Every affiliate will have 90 days to certify that their constitution is in compliance with the FTC. If no action is taken after an additional 30 day notice, then ties to National will be severed.
 3. Compliance Guidelines must be discussed at every annual meeting of state, district, executive and general membership meetings for five years.
 4. Referring to the Ethics Clause as listed in the MTNA Constitution and Bylaws will be sufficient. OhioMTA already does this. All affiliated organizations will need to comply.
 5. MTNA will post Notice of Settlement

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- Penny Bruestle, administrative assistant, is resigning after this conference. Discussion about eliminating the administrative assistant position ensued. Cheryl Staats moved, and seconded by Andi McAlister to eliminate Executive Assistant as currently stated in the job description. The motion passed. Richard and Andi will update the current job description of Executive Assistant and present to the board at the January meeting.
- The Governance Structure will be modified after new executive assistant job description is presented at the January board meeting.
- The following board positions are still open: Voice, Wind, and Collaborative Music.
- The following new board positions have been filled: Cecilia Yudha, Competitions Coordinator, Michael Benson, Buckeye, and Siok Lian Tan, Certification
- Website updates: new website launched July 21, 2013. Submit updates to Richard, Brent or Andi.
- Newsletter: Annette moved and Cheryl seconded the motion to eliminate present newsletter format and go to bi-monthly e-notes beginning in November 2013. The motion also included one annual newsletter in August to include conference information. The motion passed.
- Advertising: Since the present newsletter format will be discontinued, options for advertisers were discussed, including listing vendor links for a fee, or a fee per click on the website. The vendors will need to be notified of the change. Richard will contact Penny to send him advertising information
- 2014 Fellows will be Eileen Webber, and Christine Steiner.

Andi McAlister, President-Elect

- Updated State Constitution and Bylaws have been approved and posted.
- Technology—discussion of expanding beyond our current communications of Constant Contact and Facebook was discussed.
- Wellness—Katie Fisher, current board member, would be happy to turn the position over to someone else.

Annette Hoverman, VP for Conferences

- 2013 Conference Updates—As of September 23, there are 86 registrants.
- 2014 Conference—Western District, with Sonya Szabo-Reynolds as chair, will be held at Wilmington College October 16-18, 2014. Concert Artist is Dr. Louis Nagle, and his wife, Julie Jaffee Nagle, will be featured presenter.
- 2014 Composer of the Year is Ty Emerson
- Conference Presenter Proposals can be found in the September newsletter and also on the website. The deadline is October 31, 2013.

Chris Fisher, VP for Membership (absent)

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- Certification—Michael Benson resigning as chair September 28, 2013. Siok Lian Tan will be new certification chair after September 28, 2013.
- Five newly certified members include Danielle Bachman, Jennifer Stadler, Lizbeth Atkinson, Marsha Holcomb, and Twinkle Ratnasamy.
- Bruce Piper is Independent Certified Teacher of the Year
- Membership numbers-- 564 registered members, which typically increases after October 1, because of collegiate memberships.

Suzanne Newcomb, VP for Affiliated Districts

- Suzanne will be meeting with district chairs for dinner tonight to discuss ideas from each district

Cheryl Staats, VP for Student Activities

- MTNA Competitions—plans are moving along well, with, Cicilia Yudha, Competition Coordinator, doing a fabulous job. Competitions will be held at Kent State University October 18-20, 2013.
- Buckeye Competitions—New site for 2014 Buckeye Competitions will be Malone University, with Michael Benson as chair.
- A concern by Lindsay Zierolf, regarding Buckeye regulations was discussed, but no action was taken. Richard will respond to the party involved.
- Performance Areas—Eve Warner is chair for strings, with the positions for Orchestral Winds and Voice still open.
- Music Development Program (formerly TAP) — Medals of Excellence for 2011-12 have been announced, and are on the website. The new medal design representing MDP is more generic.

Judy Bede, Immediate Past President

- 2014-16 Nominating Committee, including Judy Bede (chair), Andi McAlister, Clinton Pratt, Lizbeth Atkinson, and Laura Melton will be meeting this afternoon to discuss the new slate of officers for the 2014-2016 Executive Board.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,



Judy Bede

Immediate Past President