

Wyoming Jazz Educator Meeting Minutes
Summer Meeting – Cheyenne, WY
August 1, 2013

The meeting was held at 2 Doors Down in Cheyenne, Wyoming. In attendance at this meeting was: Mike Munari, Larry Munari, Carisa Hilton, Robby Follum, Chad Rose, Pam Schweigert, Ben Markley, Geno Hernandez, Kate McKeage, Wade French, Jason Bennett, Garth Moline, Lara Wagner, Willie Wright, LaDonna Backman, Jerrid Washburn, AE Seui, Nick Simons, Scott Turpin, Janet Weisbrook.

Nick called the meeting to order at 12:22pm.

Approval of agenda – moved by Aric, seconded Larry, motion carried.

Approval of minutes – moved by Aric, seconded Kate, motion carried.

Financial report – Leesa Kuhlmann (not present)

Not complete, tabled by Aric, seconded by Garth, motion carried.

Jazz Choir report – Larry Munari

Has not found a clinician for all state jazz choir yet.

Scott Turpin announced UW Jazz Festival March 27 and 28 2014. Also proposed an all state jazz band/choir rotation for the state to switch between Casper College, NW College, and UW.

Aric made a motion to add UW to all state jazz rotation. Seconded by Jerrid, motion carried.

Nick will be calling CC and NWC to arrange the rotation. *After this meeting it was determined that CC will not host any All-State jazz event this year. NWC will host jazz band, UW will host jazz choir both in March 2014.*

Chad made a motion to add all state jazz band and vocal groups to the opening night concert beginning in 2015. Seconded by Lara Wagner. Motion failed.

Instrumental Band report – Chad Rose

Chris Merz from University of Northern Iowa will be the jazz band clinician. Good quality of audition, last year, thanks for help from directors.

Old business:

Aric made a motion to amend the minutes to show that go Daddy was approved on 1-21-13 and not tabled. Chad seconded. Motion carried.

New membership had been tabled last meeting. Aric made a motion that we make a new membership level for collegiate members at part of their NAFME. They will be non-voting members for no cost. Seconded by Robby. Motion carried.

Chad motioned that the third percussion audition for all state jazz ensembles be added as an aux percussionist when needed for the ensembles. Seconded by Gino. Motion carried.

Polo shirt idea will be too expensive. Members will get a WYOJAZZ pin.

New business:

Aric moved that students should be allowed to audition for just one instrument only. Jerrid seconded. Motion carries.

Mike moved that screeners remain anonymous and their integrity protected. Seconded by Aric. Motion carried.

Aric moved that we approve the following regarding audition requirements. Seconded by Garth. Motion carried!

1. No talking on any tracks.
2. If screener finds a problem with recording they need to select incomplete track, contact website/technology chair to fix the problem. At that point and if necessary, the website/technology chair or President will contact the director of the student.
3. Directors need to check for any recording errors and listen to them both before and after uploading to catch any problems.
4. Directors should not contact screeners to protect anonymity of student auditions. Only the President and Technology Chair will correspond with the director or audition chairs.
5. All-State student auditions grade level requirement is 9-12.
6. Directors need to be clear and follow directions on numbering and identifying audition tracks. Be sure to check with the individual instrument requirements to number and group tracks correctly. Again, there should be NO TALKING at all on any tracks.
7. Directors must be in good standing before their students can audition. The WJE Treasurer has WJE individually numbered membership cards as most of you know. That number must now be used to access the audition materials. Suggest using the same member number as password to access the website.

All state jazz music library will be kept in Cheyenne at the Laramie county school district library. It will be available for checkout.

Proposed clinician contract from Larry. Aric made a motion to adopt the contract to use for all state jazz band and choir as needed. Can be tailored to meet the need of the specific group. Jerrid seconded, motion carried.

Ron Wagner resignation – Chad moved to accept, seconded by Janet. Motion carried.

Chad nominated Shawn Weiss as President Elect. No other nominations. Motion carried, Shawn is our new President Elect.

Aric moved to adjourn, seconded by Chad. Motion carried!

Meeting adjourned at 1:48pm