

Wyoming Jazz Educator Meeting Minutes
Summer Meeting
July 30th, 2012

The meeting was held at El Sol De Mexico Restaurant in Riverton, Wyoming. In attendance at this meeting was: Willie Wright, Larry Munari, Shawn Weiss, Mike Munari, Leesa Kuhlmann, Wade French, Spencer Clark, Craig Sheppard, Nick Simons, Geno Hernandez, Aric Hageman, Jerrid Washburn, Ron Wagner, Helen Darr, Robert Rumbolz, Robby Follum, Isaac Swim and other WJE non member jazz band performers.

Nick called the meeting to order at 11:03am.

Approval of agenda – moved by Ron and seconded by Jerrid. Motion carried.

Approval of minutes – moved by Leesa and seconded by Aric. Motion carried

Financial report – Leesa Kuhlmann

Our account is now at Wells Fargo because it is in most cities in Wyoming.

All bills in and out of WJE are paid up (see financial report).

Reimbursement form, need receipts.

Membership paid, who is expired and who has paid for this year.

Old Business:

Renewal completed for non-profit status.

Our web site will be linked to the WMEA site in August.

By laws voted in and on the web site.

New Business:

Regarding the vocal jazz reading clinic at the WMEA conference in conjunction with all state music. Mike Masterson used to do it, Larry Munari as vocal chair will take on this task and coordinate with Leesa. Get four vocal charts and do a reading session separate of the jazz band reading session. Publishers may send music for no charge.

Regarding all state jazz audition material posting: Make audition material available at the beginning of summer to give kids a chance to work on the audition during the summer. Some feel there is an unfair advantage to schools that work with kids during the summer. After much discussion a motion was made by Aric Hageman and seconded by Leesa Kuhlmann to post the audition material sometime during the first week of Sept. The motion passed unanimously.

Collegiate and HS students do not have the right to vote, membership fee is \$10. What do the collegiate and student members get for their money? Director must also be a WJE member for kids to participate; director pays \$20 and has voting rights. This business was tabled for more discussion at a later date by Aric and seconded by Jerrod.

Discussion regarding a recognition plaque to outstanding vocal and instrumental auditionee selected by the respective audition chairs. Motion by Ron, to add said plaque for outstanding auditionee, Aric seconded and the motion passed.

Discussion regarding concert dress at all state jazz events. Aric moved that we use a Black polo shirt with WYO JAZZ insignia for all who make and participate in all state jazz choir and band. Jerrod seconded, approved by all.

Outstanding jazz educator award: to be given at WMEA. Nomination will be sent to Wade via email, membership list from Leesa so we know nominators are members. Deadline will be November 1st. Ballots in by Dec 5th. Aric made motion to create this award, Ron seconded. Motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 12:30pm, moved by Aric and seconded by Jerrid.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Wade French