

FGMEA Executive Board Meeting
FEA Office
October 27, 2015

I. Call to Order Jennifer Blend called the meeting to order at 4:35PM

Absent: Sean Cator, Rachel Grimsby, Pam Hill, Bev Ogden, Josie Walker, Pam Wilson, Margie Woods

Present: Sara Alipanah, Beth Atkins, Pam Beck, Jennifer Blend, Michael Dennis, Mary Frances Dini, Jeanette Essig, Kelly Harbison, Alisa Kieffer, Christian King, Danielle Menard, Joy Petty, Charlie Quinlan, Deb Rudd, Cheryl Baker

II. President's Report: Jennifer Blend

A. Paper work for association affiliation is ready to go to the FEA office.

III. Vice President's Report: Kelly Harbison

A. FEA Report from representative assembly last Wednesday.

1. Health Care – every plan will now have deductibles and many copays have changed. Check the paperwork that has been sent out.
2. Four potential calendars have been drafted – if there are more than 5 days of inclement weather, we will apply for the waiver to begin before Labor Day.
3. There is a video on the website about the operating budget. We are spending less per student than we did even 5-10 years ago. The proposed cuts will be shared in November.

B. A world drumming resource was purchased in memory of Sue Eisenberg and will be available in the Fine Arts Library. A framed certificate was brought to her memorial.

IV. Secretary's Report: Beth Atkins

A. General meeting notes from September 2015 were approved as corrected and sent to FGMEA membership as listed on the FGMEA website. These notes will be sent to all general music teachers ASAP with message that they will only receive future copies if they are FGMEA members.

V. Treasurer's Report: Christian King

<i>Ending Balance 09/22/15</i>	<i>\$14,220.89</i>
<i>Deposits/credits</i>	<i>\$1,056.10</i>
<i>Withdrawals/debits</i>	<i>\$10.74</i>
<i>Ending Balance 10/27/15</i>	<i>\$15,266.25</i>

BB&T Bank statement dated 9/30/2015 shows a balance of **\$14,210.15**

There are **0** checks issued after the statement date

The Bank statement balance of **\$14,210.15** minus **\$0.00** is **\$14,210.15**

We have a total of **\$1,056.10** in deposits made after the statement date.

\$14,210.15 plus **\$1056.10** equals **\$14,220.89**

VI. Fine Arts Office Report: Jeannette Essig

- A. Budget: The budget is going to be ugly. Be prepared that fourth grade strings will probably be announced as a likely cut. Pay attention to personal emails and FACE announcements.
- B. Academy Courses: Several academy courses have been *requested* (but not yet confirmed) for general music teachers in the spring on Tuesday and Wednesday nights:
 - Choral Grabbers for grades 5-9 (2 credits): Tuesday nights, February – April at Lanier MS
 - Conversational Solfege (3 credits): Wednesdays at Fairview
 - General Music Instructional Planning (1 credit): Tuesdays at Rose Hill and Wednesdays at Greenbriar West.
 Please take advantage of these offerings. **An academy course that doesn't get 20 students will not be run.**
- C. Still waiting on several schools to complete the schedule request. FGMEA should wait until December to request schedule information.
- D. Progress Report: The person previously in charge of progress reports has retired so there were some changes to the timeline.
- E. Inservices: Thank you to those who are offering opportunities for professional development.
- F. MYPLT: The ACCF read through is open for registration. Site rehearsals will be available for registration next week.

VII. Committee Chair Reports:

A. Choral Festival: Danielle Menard Mazurowski/Sean Cator

- 1. Read-through plans and setup – ready to go.
- 2. Bev and Joy have offered to help train new site hosts.
- 3. Recording session on October 18 cost more than \$300 (to cover the cost of custodial staff). This will be tabled until November pending information from the Fine Arts Office.
- 4. We will not create rehearsal CDs. Tracks will be streamed online. The cost is \$.01 per stream. Hopefully these will be available in November.
- 5. Potential Conductors for next year were presented. The board will vote in November.

B. Grants: Josie Walker / Bev Ogden

- 1. Due November 17. Information is available online.

C. Constitution: Joy Petty

- 1. This will be posted on the FGMEA website.

D. Resources: Pam Beck

- 1. In the process of making updates

E. Newsletter: Pam Wilson

- 1. Request for board members to sign up for month and topic

F. In-service: Cheryl Baker:

- 1. Six teachers presented workshops October 9.
- 2. Motion: Beth Atkins
 - I move that we offer \$10 Starbucks gift cards to the six teachers who presented at the October In-services.

Second: Mary-Frances Dini

Motion carries.

Cheryl will purchase and deliver gift cards to those teachers.

G. Membership: Pam Hill

1. 78 members have paid \$1120
2. Some members do not have access to the website – Rod will be asked to investigate.
3. Pam will set up an area for membership at the ACCF read-through

H. Ways & Means: Deb Rudd

1. T-Shirts: Last year we ran out of smalls and mediums while filling early orders. We have a small inventory of Larges, XL and XXL shirts and therefore I have lowered the number to be ordered. Since we ran out of smalls at the festival, I do not feel there is a problem in increasing the order for smalls.

Motion: Deb Rudd

I move that we order 300 smalls, 200 mediums, 30 larges, 15 XL, no XXL at \$6.25 each for a total of \$3,406.25

Second: Kelly Harbison

Motion carries.

VIII. Old Business

- A. Mary Francis Dini presented research on coffee pots for ACCF. Recommendation to purchase one large for regular, two smaller ones for decaf and hot water. A proposal will be presented at the next meeting.

IX. New Business

None.

X. Adjournment: Jennifer Blend adjourned the meeting at 5:42PM.