

MTVA General Membership Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2009 7:00 p.m.
St Cecilia Academy

Valerie DeHoff, President, called the meeting to order at 7:02. In attendance were Brenda Jewell, Grace Guill, Brenda Williams, Melissa Collins, Jj Ebelhar, T.J. McLaughlin, Charlie Mason, Kristen Rue, Judy Yeaworth, Jeanette MacCallum, Jamey Kelley, Lisa Benton, Todd Arnold, Tyler Merideth, John McDonald, Carlie Brantley, Anita Patterson, David Cassel, Grant Farmer, Rebecca May, Linda Towe, Robert Neumeyer, Greg Herring, Gerald Patton, Jamila McWhirter, and Mary Jackson.

Valerie welcomed first time guests from MTSU and recognized student teachers.

The minutes from the November 11th meeting were approved as distributed.

Valerie informed the general membership that the website will inform the membership if there is a cancellation due to inclement weather.

If there are any difficulties with the website, please email Valerie so that the problem can be fixed.

Valerie encouraged the membership to keep sending any suggestions for audition pieces from www.cpdll.org.

Ron Meers, TMEA president, is asking for nominations for the following awards: TMEA Hall of Fame Award, Outstanding Administrator Award, Friend of Music Education Award, Outstanding Service Award 25 years and 40 years Outstanding Young Music Educator Award. Email Jeanette MacCallum with your nomination

If you still need a roommate at All-State this year, email Valerie with the possibility of matching up students and directors.

David Spencer, treasurer, submitted the treasurer's report. David reported that more revenue will be coming in with several events on the horizon.

Valerie reported on behalf of Lia Holland that 2nd tier auditions will be held at Ezell Harding Christian School. Directors are to arrive promptly at 7:45 and students at 8:00. A memo was emailed that contained the all-state rules and regulations form to fill out.

Dian Eddleman, State Choral Chair, has encouraged all directors to stress the importance of All-State 2nd tier auditions to their students. The guidelines explain that directors will walk around among the auditioning students that are standing in octets. The directors will look for 80% accuracy.

Valerie reported on behalf of Beth Kolwyck that Elementary Mass is February 12th at Christ Church.

Mary Jackson, Middle School Mass Chair, reported that 37 schools have signed up. Contact Mary Jackson if you have any questions regarding procedures. Check the website for repertoire list.

Jamila McWhirter, College Chair, announced several music education events happening at MTSU that can be found on the MTVA site.

Next month's professional development session during the meeting is going to be geared towards everything you would like to know about a madrigal dinner. The presenter will be Dr. McWhirter.

The meeting was adjourned to a professional development session at 7:29.