

Call to Order – Joshua Stevenson @ 2:30pm

Welcome

Adoption of Agenda

- Approved (motion to approve)

Minutes from the Fall 2016 Meeting

- Posted Online
- Approved

Treasurer's Report – Richard Holmes

- Report Submitted by Richard Holmes - Approved
- Commission year with Dr. Jack Stamp
- Current balance is \$51,030.56 before expenses for All-District Band are paid

NCMEA Update - Richard Holmes

- For next year, the national in-service conference will be at Disney World in Orlando
- All-American Marching Band deadline is May 1, 2017
- Provided advocacy for class size legislation, elementary licensure, and has hired a lobbyist so they can be proactive with the legislature.
- End of March is the Arts North Carolina Day with the state legislature
- Exhibiting at the State School Board and state Superintendent's conference

Voting for District Awards:

- Voting for Young Director Award of Excellence
 - Recipient – Josh Belvin
- Voting for Award of Excellence
 - Recipient – Keith James

All District Auditions – Chris Moreau/Carrie Lineberger

- Registrations went smoothly this year
- Auditions went well, even with the snow date changes
- Going back to three rooms for many of the MS rooms. This year there were only two due to judging availability on the snow make-up day.
- Chromebooks were a success – thank you Tim Reed for setting this up
- Look for changes and clarifications to some of the judging rubric and/or a FAQ list

All-District Clinic – Kameron Radford/Vickie Whitfield/Lisa Ratchford

- Thank you to the Gaston County directors for helping and hosting

Clinicians/Commission – Jason Robison

- Clinician panel for 2018 was previously voted on and set
- Nominations taken for MS Symphonic Band
 - Clinician – Stephanie Tomberlin
- Nominations for 2019/2020 MS and HS clinicians
 - Jason will contact the clinicians to secure availability

Middle School MPA – Richard Holmes for Tracy Humphries

- March 8 – 10, 2017; Wingate University
- Judges listed on the website

High School MPA – Richard Holmes

- March 27 – 31, 2017; Hickory Ridge High School
- Judges will be listed on the website
- Event moved to five days this year to accommodate the number of bands. Most days are full except Monday.

Score Service Committee– Emily McNeil and Sonya Ferguson

- Process of updating the library list. Should be sent to directors by next week.

NCBA Concert Band Committee – Jill Brooks

- Check masterworks criteria

NCBA Honors Band Committee – Patrick Butler/Vicky Whitfield

- Check paperwork and make sure you have it in on time
- If you have suggestions for solos send them to Vicky or Patrick

Honors Band Auditions – Laradon Pilot

- March 4, 2017, Central Davidson HS and MS
Snow Date: March 11, 2017

All-State Honor Band Clinic – Alice Aldridge

- May 5 – 7, 2017 @ UNC-Greensboro
- Conflict with AP US History Exam on Friday, so be proactive-they can register for another date.
- Clinicians – Jack Stamp (11/12), David Ragsdale (9/10), Jeff Scott (MS)

Marching Band Committee – Chris Hardesty

- Working on a judges repository which will be available online for show hosts
- Working to develop a series of videos for site hosts of NCBA shows to share with judges
- Looking to recruit new chief judges
- Looking to increase the participation in state shows. If any director has any feedback as to why you don't participate, or if you have questions about marching MPA, contact Chris

Solo and Ensemble MPA – Ashleigh Cook

- May 13, 2017 at Lincolnton MS
- Registration is two parts – online form and signature form mail-in
- \$5 per event
- Accompaniment encouraged, but optional
- Smart Music not available on site

Jazz Section – Dave Vergato

- Western Region Clinic coming up
- All-State Clinic auditions coming up in April
- Jazz MPA in May

New Business

- Barry Howard will be starting the band program at Belmont Abbey and would like directors to know he is an available resource for them if needed.
- Howren Scholarship winner was selected and will be announced at the All-District Concert
- Spring Meeting is May 8 at Jay M. Robinson High School in Concord, NC
- Dave Vergato is trying to put together a string bass workshop in the Charlotte area. If you are interested in doing this in July this year, contact Dave for details.
- Pat Hall addressed the body and noted that NCMEA is working very hard to advocate for us.

Adjourn – 3:52pm

Minutes submitted by Chris White, SCDBA Chair-Elect