

SCMEA - Orchestra Division  
Business Meeting  
Irmo High School  
September 10, 2016  
2:00 PM

Welcome, meeting called to order at 2:00 PM

Attendance

Announcements:

- Music for the reading session was provided by Luck's Music.
- There will be a double bass workshop in the Upstate. Please contact Susan Wines for more information.
- The ASTA Violin/Viola Choir will be the last weekend in January at Converse College
- Thank you to Susan Wines for leading the New Teacher Orientation session this morning.

New Teachers announced

Website, [scmea.net](http://scmea.net) - Please contact Colleen Marcou with anything concerning the website

**Officer's Report:**

**Minutes - Allison Key**

- Colleen Marcou motions to approve the minutes
- Brian Gencarelli seconds the motion. Minutes are approved.

**Treasurer - Sharon Doyle**

Things for Concert Festival need to be adjusted. This event is becoming expensive and we went over budget this year. Trophies are cost too much so we will begin bidding for those. Costs for hotels and food need be tightened up and reports need to be more detailed regarding this event across the state. Solo & Ensemble did make money this year but some PO's did not come through until July. We will no longer except PO's. Please plan for this accordingly.

New Teachers: Your fee for conference registration will be half price if you register on time.

Free registration and one-night hotel winner is Dionne Morris, Spartanburg District 7

Current Balance as of 8/11/2016: \$78,305.58

Tax Return/Net Income: \$7,794.07

**Region Registration - Paul Buyer & Linda Vesprille**

Please mail a hard copy to Linda Vesprille, Cane Bay HS, and make sure it is completely filled out. Please email your spreadsheet to you the following people:

Region 1: Ann Buttimer

Region 2: Brian Gencarelli

Region 3: Colleen Marcou

Region 4: Paul Buyer

There will no longer be the use for BEDS CODES. Everyone sponsoring a student needs to be at the event. Three pieces are going for final revision. Other music is posted on the site.

**Region Orchestra, Rebecca Leonard**

- Region 1 - Chesnee High School, November 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>
- Region 2 - Anderson University, November 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>
- Region 3 - Irmo High School, November 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>
- Region 4 - Cane Bay High School, November 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>

### **Conference, Chris Corde**

Conference is February 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>. We will local people presenting this year. Taniesha Hines' session will talk about Colorless Teaching. She will as present this session at NafME and ASTA. Brian Gencarelli will discuss bass maintenance. Michael Baier and Bob Borden will discuss consistency in adjudication. Jennifer Diehn, Angela Rex, and Kathy Perry will have a "make and take" discussing preparation for Solo & Ensemble and Concert Performance Assessment. Kirk Moss will present a session on "Keeping the Fun in Orchestra." Performances: Katy Martin, Sterling Middle School; Ryan Silvestri, Wando High School; and Andy Lynn, Chapin High School.

### **All-State Auditions, Paul Buyer**

No fee need since you paid in the fall. Do not register students not already in the system. Online registration will be posted in November. Hardcopy is to be sent to Linda Vesprille. Electronic copy sent to Paul Buyer.

### **All-State, Colleen Marcou**

Rehearsal at Irmo High School, February 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>. Dress rehearsal and concert will be at Lexington High School. All meals will be had on site at the school. All-State start time is TBD.  
Conductors: 6-8, Beth Reed; 9-10, David Pope; 11-12, Brian Balmages

### **All-State Winds, Brass & Percussion, Jeff Kuntz**

Dr. Scott Weiss, band director at USC, will conduct sectionals for winds and brass.

### **State Performance Assessment, Ken Pruitt**

We are no longer accepting PO's. Please plan accordingly. The survey from last year has been used to tweak things for this year. There will be a YouTube video to walk new teachers through the registration process. We are collecting sight-reading submissions again this year. Criteria for new sight-reading is also on the website. There will be a .5 piece this year to replace a grade one for young groups. There has been some rule clarification for judges, performers, and sight-reading judges to improve consistency amongst sites across the state. Please refer all concerns/questions and hotel requests to Ken Pruitt. Online forum is being set up for site hosts to use. Registration will open on September 15<sup>th</sup> and stay open until January deadline.

### **Solo & Ensemble Festival, Tammie Burrows**

Deadline for registration is February 1<sup>st</sup>. Late registration is \$25.00 and can be accepted at All-State weekend. Please print registration form, send email and check by deadline. You are encouraged to register for a committee to help sort forms/medals at All-State to help avoid postage fees. Fees may be changed to \$10 for solo event next year to help cover costs. \$5 for ensemble.

- Region 1 – Chesnee HS, April 22<sup>nd</sup>; McCracken MS, April 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>
- Region 2 – Palmetto HS, 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>; Wade Hampton HS; Seneca MS, April 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Region 3 – Pleasant Hill MS, April 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>; Longleaf MS, May 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>
- Region 4 – Fort Dorchester HS, April 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>; Myrtle Beach HS, April 29<sup>th</sup>

### **Old Business:**

**Committee participation:** Please participate. A google form was sent to everyone. Please choose a committee that interests you. Chairperson will contact you. Plan to meet at 8:00am Friday morning of conference to discuss with your committee.

**Concert Festival name change:** We are changing the name to State Performance Assessment to align with other divisions and better what explain what this event means. Ken Pruitt proposes name change. 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading of this proposal.

- Dottie Hanlin motions to approve
- Norman Neff 2nds the motion
- All approve, motion passes.

**New Business:**

**Event Excusal form:** New form is on the website under forms tab. Explain why you need to be excused, get your principal's signature, and find a suitable replacement for your absences. This ensures everyone is covered.

**Johanna Wilson:** You can scan and send the form. This form makes things easier for all parties involved to know what is going on. Send the form to the president and event chair person. Deadline for form to be sent is same as registration deadline for the event you need to miss. if something happens you are still the liable person.

**To be discussed at next meeting:**

OPA – Outstanding Performance Award

**Brian Gencarelli:** OPA aligns with band division. OPA awards you a set of point values for Region/All-State, Concert Festival, and Solo & Ensemble. This totals up to the award system and then your program is considering OPA in the state. It's considered a prestigious award.

John Kvasnicka motions for meeting to adjourn.

Brian Gencarelli seconds the motion.

**Respectfully submitted,**

***Allison Key***