

Minutes of the Mississippi Bandmasters Association

Meeting Date: August 27, 2016

Call to Order: A regular meeting of the Mississippi Bandmasters Association was held at Ridgeland High School on August 27, 2016. MBA President Lane Thompson called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

Introduction of Membership: President Thompson introduced the MBA Executive Board and all members present introduced themselves.

Special Orders – Election of the 3rd Vice President: Past President Matt Rowan nominated Stacy Sanders from Newton County HS and Jerry Pickering from Northwest Rankin HS for the position of 3rd Vice President. Jerry Pickering from Northwest Rankin was elected as 3rd Vice President.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2015 meeting. Motion carried.

Financial Report: 1st Vice President Sharon Laird gave the financial report. A motion was made to approve the financial report. Motion carried.

Reports:

President Lane Thompson reported that Diane Bruser was not available to deliver a report from the MHSAA due to a family matter. Mr. Thompson reported that an email would be sent by the MHSAA to the body regarding eligibility and C2C.

1st Vice President Sharon Laird spoke about the timeline and process for remittance of dues, forms, and fees.

Past President Matt Rowan spoke about the sites for State Marching Band Evaluations and the State Marching Band Championship.

President Lane Thompson announced the dates for State Concert Evaluation for the North, Central, and South regional sites.

Mr. Jeff Cannon gave a report on the 2016 Lion's Band trip to Japan. Dates, the addition of a piccolo etude for second round, and judging needs for Lions Band tryouts were announced. The staff and dates for the 2017 Lions Band were announced.

Mr. Willie Rigdon, housing chairman for State Clinic, spoke about registration process for clinic.

Member-at-Large Kim Hallmark spoke about the needs for judges for State Clinic auditions.

1st Vice President Sharon Laird announced procedures and logistics for payment of clinic fees.

President Lane Thompson announced the clinicians, the featured ensembles, and the dates for State Band Clinic

2nd Vice President Len Killough reviewed the process for submitting pieces to the Music Selection Committee. The Music Selection Committee members were announced.

President Lane Thompson opened the floor for new business. No new business was brought forth for discussion and Mr. Thompson opened the floor for announcements.

Announcements:

Nicole Allen from Purvis High School spoke about the ASBDA Middle School All-State Band and gave information concerning the dates for the 2017 ASBDA Middle School All-State Band.

Dr. Mohamad Schuman from Ocean Springs High School announced the dates for the Mid-South Honor Band at the University of Mississippi.

Mark Laird from West Jones High School announced the release of the 2016 Directors Guide and the Phi Beta Mu Young Band Director Project.

Louise Smith from Gautier Middle School spoke about how to become a member of the Mississippi Women's Band Directors Association.

Dr. Colin McKenzie announced the dates for the All-South Band at the University of Southern Mississippi.