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Missouri Association for Jazz Education



Membership Meeting

MMEA

January 24, 2013

President Jeff Melsha called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

The minutes from the MMEA meeting in January 2012 were read. Motion: Arthur White. Second: Mike Kern. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer Cathy Coonis gave the treasurer report. Motion: Kathleen Holeman. Second: Scott Rybolt. Cathy also reminded the membership they can become members of JEN through MOAJE since MOAJE is an affiliate member. Dues are \$10 payable to Cathy Coonis. If you would rather have a different level of membership, go to the JEN website at: www.jazzednet.org.

All State Jazz Coordinator Chris Miller gave a report on All State Jazz Band. Clinician Terrell Stafford is doing very well with the students and the students are working hard. Chris thanked everyone for their patience with the new online registration process. New state auditions will be on the website in the summer. Please give feedback to Chris about jazz auditions if you have any concerns.

MMEA Jazz VP Rob Babel reported on the upcoming jazz clinics and concerts being held at the MMEA conference.

Past-President Bob Long attended the JEN conference in Atlanta the first week of January. Missouri was represented with the Rockbridge High School Jazz Band. The 2014 conference will be held in Dallas.

President-elect Dave Dickey reported on the MMEA jam session held last night. Terrell Stafford performed along with some professionals, teachers, and college students. Dave hosted a three hour jam session in Kirkwood for junior high, high school, college and adult levels. Several people joined MOAJE that evening and MOAJE also secured a corporate sponsor. Dave would like to encourage this to happen all over the state. He has made some contacts with jazz educators in Springfield and Columbia to begin hosting these jam sessions.

Secretary Lori Hutton reported that anyone can contribute ideas, stories, articles, etc. to the newsletters. Also, the Honorary membership level as part of our different levels of membership will include those educators who have received the former Jess Cole award and the current MOAJE Outstanding Educator Award. They will receive a lifetime honorary membership to MOAJE.

Vice-President Danny Watring gave a report on membership and membership renewal. Membership can be renewed online or in person. Danny encouraged all members to encourage others in joining MOAJE and to support jazz education. A special thanks goes to Danny for the new membership pins.

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Cathy Coonis announced this year's recipient for the MOAJE Outstanding Jazz Educator Award will go to Larry Bennett.

Jeff Melsha reported on our Jazz Education Partnerships. MOAJE wants to thank Phil Dunlop and P.Mauriat trumpets for sponsoring Terrell Stafford. MOAJE also received a grant from the MO Arts Alliance. Jeff Sandquist gave an overview of the alliance and how grants/monies are obtained and allotted. Jeff asked for advocacy for the alliance so funding continues.

The All State Jazz Audition Material is Set 2 for 2013-2014. There was good feedback regarding the revised audition materials, especially the recordings available on the MOAJE website.

Jason Bata was thanked for taking over the MOAJE website. He has made available to the District Jazz VP's the opportunity to post information about their respective district.

Jazz festival managers from around the state shared information about their jazz festivals.

The MBA conference will be JUNE 23-26, 2013.

Elections for the MOAJE Board will be held this spring. Please let us know if you are interested or know of someone that is interested to serve in our organization.

President Jeff Melsha discussed whether to continue the Commission Piece we do each year. The approximate cost is \$1500. Is this something we want to continue or use the money for something else educationally worthwhile? Discussion will continue on this topic.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Hutton