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Missouri Association for Jazz Education



Membership Meeting MMEA Conference January 28, 2011

The Meeting was called to order by President Bob Long at 3 pm.

The treasurer's report was given by Cathy Coonis.

Chris Miller gave a report on All State Jazz Band. State auditions went very well. He will accept feedback on the new rhythm sectional auditions that were implemented this year. Chris Merz from Northern Iowa is the 2011 All State Jazz Clinician.

The revision process for ASJ auditions were discussed. Currently, the auditions are from the Aebersold Blues, Approaching the Standards, Aaberg etudes, and the commissioned piece. Chris Miller has been looking at what other states are using for their state auditions. Rick Stitzel sent jazz etudes which are used for sightreading in Texas. Chris has asked the membership to send any suggestions and ideas to him by the end of the school year. There were suggestions that were made to keep the commissioned piece, but not a part of the audition process.

Jeff Melsha gave a report on the MAAE Arts Allliance. MOAJE applied for a grant to cover the clinicians' fee for the 2011 MMEA conference. Jeff also reported that DESE may accept the potential move recommended by the State School Board to eliminate the "product and resource standards" so that school districts could potentially reduce or eliminate Fine Arts in elementary music.

The executive board is accepting nominations for the following offices: President Elect, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The voting will be in April on surveymonkey.com. Ballots will be counted in May, and new officers will take effect in July 1st.

Phil Dunlap from Jazz St. Louis asked about the opportunity to financially partner with MOAJE to bring in a "big name" jazz musician/educator to run All State Jazz and provide clinics and workshops at MMEA.

Larry Green reported on the 2nd annual JEN conference held January 5-8, 2011 in New Orleans. The 3rd annual conference will be held in Louisville, Kentucky. Larry also discussed the JEN memberships.

Jeff Melsha gave an update to our corporate sponsors. The cost of a corporate sponsorship is currently \$150.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:46 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Lori Hutton