



ALABAMA VOCAL ASSOCIATION

An Affiliate of NAFME

Minutes of the AVA Governing Board Business Meeting

January 20, 2016

Renaissance Hotel
Montgomery, AL

The meeting was called to order by President Carl Davis @ 7:21 p.m.

Those present were Ginny Coleman, Jody Powell, Jane Powell, Rebekah Stevens, Michelle Reburn, Hilen Powell, Ginny Hughes, Cathy Spence, Meg Jones, Jerry Cunningham, Daniel Massey.

The minutes of the Fall Workshop Board meeting were read by Jane Powell and approved as read.

Rebekah Stevens presented the financial report which was then filed for audit.

The financial report reflected the following:

Checking	\$128,370.08
Savings	11,630.87
Total Assets	\$140,000.95

AMEA Report

- Board is reminded to attend the Leadership Breakfast Thursday morning in Ballroom CD @ 7:45
- Boston Brass is @ the conference at a cost of \$8500
- Board is encouraged to attend the President's reception Friday evening
- Carl Hancock would like a picture of the General Meeting. Jody agreed to take care of this.
- Carl Davis reminded presiders of assignments and requirements of performance introductions that were sent by Garry Taylor. The basic script will be on each podium in each performance venue.
- Exhibits will open @ 10:00 a.m. Thursday morning and the board is encouraged to be there.
- AVA still plans to transfer the website to the AMEA platform. Maybe this will be operational by the summer. Carl Hancock plans to remain on the AMEA board to work on the website.
- Board was asked to download the conference app and vote for the new AMEA logo.
- Pictures can be posted to the AMEA website
- Carl reported again that the AMEA board had provided \$1000 for an AVA clinician(Jeffrey Benson)

- AVA Board will have an *After Action* meeting Saturday morning @ 8:00.

Executive Secretary

- The Executive Secretary position officially becomes open again January 25 and will remain open until February 22
- Rebekah was asked if she could make a list of items that could make her job easier & take less time.

All-State Show Choir

- 2016-17 audition results will not be mailed to the directors until after All-State Choir auditions.
- Since the numbers were down this year there will be discussion @ summer board concerning some alternate options that might encourage a larger number.

General Information:

- Carl asked Rebekah to have some guidelines written for credit card purchases.
- All AVA mailing lists need to be made available to each board member
- A demonstration of vertical response needs to be presented by Rebekah at Summer Board
- Meg & Cathy will word a motion at the All-state meeting concerning the storage of the archives that includes security as well as access to the items
- Discussion regarding discontinuing the use of purchase orders did not result in a resolution.
- Board was asked to vote on 1 or 2 day format for Fall Workshop. They voted overwhelming for a 1 day workshop.

All-State

- The board was given a spreadsheet of data of those registered for auditions. The data shows not only number of students registered but the percentage of the state that registered at the various audition sites.
- Carl thanked the district chairmen for the preparation of the audition sites & for running the auditions smoothly
- Clinicians will not be given a gift other than a plaque & a t-shirt.
- Board will gather @ 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 2, 2016.
- 2016 audition dates are November 2 – 10.
- Pros and Cons of posting the all-state lists on the website were discussed

SCPA

- District Chairs were given copies of the 2016 Sight-reading samples and instructed to consult the registration forms to determine number of copies that should be made of each voicing.
- District should share sight-reading copies if this can be done without mailing, otherwise each district will make copies.
- Directors are not to choose what the choir will read. The pieces are numbered in the order that they will be used if a director has more than one choir of the same voicing.

- District Chairmen need to make a list of literature used during their festival and send it to Jerry so that he can compile a state-wide list.

New Business

Ginny Coleman nominated Ronnie Lett for the Frances Moss Award. Jody motioned to accept the nomination and Hilan Powell seconded.

Respectfully submitted by,
Jane Powell
AVA Recording Secretary