

Alabama Vocal Association  
AVA Board Meeting  
Dawson Memorial Baptist Church, Homewood, Alabama  
September 10, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 6:17 pm on September 10, 2009 at the Dawson Memorial Baptist Church, Homewood, Alabama. The president, Damion Womack welcomed everyone. Board members in attendance were Damion Womack, Jane Powell, Paul Edmondson, Pat Blackwell, Stacy Owens, Cathy Shelton, Carl Davis, Margaret Heron, Susan McCall, Sherry Smith, Jerry Cunningham, Kathy Hughes. Members that were absent were Loren Snyder, Heather Cantwell, and Jody Powell.

The minutes from the previous board meeting were read by the board and corrections were made. Motion was made to accept minutes with corrections. Motion was seconded and carried. Stacy Owens, recording secretary, will return corrected minutes back to the board within 1 week.

### **Executive Secretary Report**

As of September 8, 2009 the Alabama Vocal Association has \$94,842.89 in checking and \$11,592.52 in savings with total assets being \$106,435.41.

- Pat Blackwell has been working hard to update the mailing lists.
- She presented her expense form to the board
- Pat is still getting some bills from state performance assessment
- AVA received the grant check
- AVA paid \$1,000 to one of our FAME scholarship recipients

There was a discussion of good character pertaining to the financial report given.

Pat Blackwell asked the board to give her permission to get bonded. Motion was made by Carl Davis that the Executive Secretary receives bonded status. Motion was seconded. Discussion ensued about why this is important that Pat gets bonded status. Vote was taken and was carried.

Motion was made by Jerry Cunningham that the financial report be filed for audit. Motion was seconded and vote carried.

### **Fall Workshop**

- Damion went through the program and the assignments of the board to ensure a smooth event.
- Beethoven and Company will be here with Honor Choir music, All-State Music, and all reading session music.
- Everyone needs to be here by 7:30 am because registration starts at 8:00 am.
- All District chairs need to be at the new teacher's luncheon. 15 new teachers have registered and every district has someone new.
- Stacy Owens and Sherry Smith will handle teachers that have pre registered and Pat Blackwell and Susan McCall will handle the on-site registration.

### **District/State Performance Assessment Proposal**

Jane Powell goes through the committee's proposal point by point. There was discussion about the all points given.

### **ACDA/AVA Communication**

Damion, Jane and Pat met with a few members of the state chapter of ACDA to discuss the possibility of joining together to do a joint function. Decision was made that it is not quite feasible to do this at this particular time. John Kincaid is going to poll his members about a possible joint effort on down the road.

### **AMEA Performances**

The following choirs were selected to perform at the 2010 AMEA state inservice conference.

Spanish Fort and Daphne HS

Alabama A & M

John Carroll HS

Bumpus MS

Auburn University Chamber Choir

Hueytown HS

There a motion made to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded and vote carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Stacy Owens, recording secretary.