AMEA Governing Board Meeting

August 27, 2011
Montgomery Renaissance Hotel, Montgomery, Alabama

The AMEA Governing Board met at the Renaissance Hotel in Montgomery, Alabama on August 27, 2011. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by AMEA President Steve McLendon. Present at the meeting: Steve McLendon, Garry Taylor, Karen Hickok, Carla Gallahan, Sara Womack, Tim Phillips, Jane Powell, Dakota Bromley, Moya Norlund, John Cooper, Beth Davis, Pat Stegall, and Julie Hornstein.

The minutes of the June 16, 2011 meeting of the AMEA Governing Board were read by Recording Secretary, Carla Gallahan. The minutes were approved as read.

The financial report was presented by Garry Taylor and discussed. The report was approved as presented.

Steve McLendon and Garry Taylor reported that they attended Music Education Week in Washington, D.C. and participated in sessions and discussions on music advocacy and the influence of MENC on our state and the profession. They met with our Senators and feel we are well represented at the national level. Both Senators expressed their support for the arts.

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Old Business

Online registration for AMEA Conference – the Board discussed ideas to improve the registration process at the 2012 Conference. There will be a credit card reader and a designated table for college student registration. Assistance is needed with college student registration.

Recording contract proposals were distributed and reviewed. ProCat will be recording the events of the 2012 AMEA Conference.

AMEA Award nominations were distributed, reviewed, and voted upon. Award winners will be announced at the 2012 AMEA Conference.

FAME (Future Alabama Music Educators) – the Board asked District Chairman to encourage participation. Junior and senior level high school students interested in majoring in music are encouraged to participate.

New Business

The MENC Southern Division meeting will be held in Atlanta, GA on September 11-12, 2011. The AMEA Division Presidents were encouraged to attend the leadership session.

President McLendon was contacted by the National Association of State Boards of Education regarding the position of Alabama Superintendent of Education requesting recommendations of qualified individuals for the position. President McLendon asked the Board to contact him with recommendations.

President McLendon is contacting the universities regarding CMENC in an effort to increase participation.

AMEA Officer elections will be held this year. The Nominating Committee Chair is Chuck Eady and committee members will be selected in the near future. The Board made a motion to approve the expense for online voting with the upcoming AMEA elections (Cooper, Womack). The motion passed.
A discussion occurred on eliminating individual division and district checking accounts. Each Division needs 501C3 status.

President McLendon expressed interest in Garry Taylor, Executive Director of AMEA, attending one other SDMENC state’s music education conference per year to gain information and ideas in order to be more progressive in our approach to the AMEA Conference. After discussion, a motion was made (Stegall, Womack) for Mr. Taylor to attend an additional state music education conference. The motion passed.

2012 AMEA Conference Planning occurred.

The next meeting of the AMEA Governing Board will be held on Wednesday, January 18, 2012, 6:00 p.m., at the Renaissance Montgomery Hotel.

President McLendon adjourned the meeting at 2:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carla Gallahan, AMEA Recording Secretary

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