

**AVA Fall Workshop Board Meeting Minutes
September 6, 2018
Huntingdon College
Montgomery, AL**

The meeting of the AVA Governing Board was called to order by President Meg Jones at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were: Meg Jones, Ginny Coleman, Randall Fields, Margaret Heron, Carl Davis, Jane Powell, Stacy Owens, Hilen Powell, Nichole Hill, Bradley Wilson, Holly Luke, Shelli Rimes, Trey Holladay, and David Pryor. (Stacy Owens was running late and came in at 7:00pm)

Meg introduced all of members gave an overview of board members duties for the Fall Workshop.

Meg emphasized the need for board members to check email daily and advised members to fill out Principal letter she sent out at the beginning of the year. Also, copy “theAVABoard” to all email correspondence.

OCS/OA/ME

- Meg reminded district chairs to get 2-3 judges and to advise the judges that they are three separate competitions. A student can win more than one event.
- District chairs should make sure the judges are not related closely to any director or the district chair. A brief bio of every winner of OCS/ME/OA will be read at the General Assembly (not just the OCS winners).
- Meg reminded District Chairs to make sure ME and OCS winners are members of All-State choir. The ME requirements changed this year, so it is important to check.

All-State auditions

- Meg reminded District Chairs about details of auditions—lunch, setup, hospitality, etc.
- Make sure the runners are students with some leadership skills so that the day runs smoothly. Walk them through the process—line-ups, forms, original music, etc.
- District Chairs need to make sure teachers communicate when students drop out of All-State auditions. Implore them to get there early to fill in dropouts.
- Location Assignments:

Nov. 1	Mobile	David
Nov. 2-3	Montgomery	Trey
Nov. 4	Florence	Jane
Nov. 5-6	Huntsville	Shelli/Stacy
Nov. 7	Oxford	Holly
Nov. 8-9	Tuscaloosa	Nichole/Hilen

“Acceptd” Audition program

- Ginny explained the program for ASSC auditions. She explained the ease and user-friendliness of the use of this.
- Jane reported that Spain Park is available again to use, but it is a small space that cannot handle any more kids than we had last year. She informed that the video of the choreography is ready and should be easy for kids to learn.
- Meg discussed the hope that involvement in ASSC increases but there are many concerns that have previously been addressed.
- Ginny needs the District chairs to be students in the “mock” audition. She explained how the mock audition will run, followed by explanation of “Acceptd.”

AMEA

- Meg reminded the Board that we will need help for set-up of shells and risers for performances.
- Setup begins at 6:00pm and meeting at 7:15pm. All of the Board needs to stay until cleanup on Saturday.
- Board members will need to preside over various sessions and need to be prepared to say a brief introduction. Asst. Presiders are in charge of walking on and off, etc.
- State ME will occur on Wednesday—Randall and Margaret will judge this-- and FAME is still a requirement.

SCPA

- Meg reminded the Board that judges should not be friends or previous college instructors of teachers in the District. To remain equitable, the judges should not be a local college director.
- Meg instructed the Board to send the adjudication names to the Executive Board to make sure the names are acceptable.
- District chairs were also instructed to have at least one judge with middle school experience. Also, judges need to be trained on a few items: the Repertoire category needs to be explained in comments, split scores will need to be discussed, etc.

All-State Festival 2019

- All-State will be at Samford again and though there will be charged admission, there is no other location that is feasible.
- Meg said they looked at Troy but it is not a good site for the event

**Meg made a motion to adjourn meeting at 7:45pm. Motion was seconded by Holly. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.