

SCMEA Choral Division Business Meeting
Saturday, Sept 8, 2018
USC Music Building

President Gregory Pittman called the meeting to order.

New members were introduced:

Carrie Oliver- Oakbrook Middle
Zach O'Neal- Sneed Middle
Randall Bell- Socastee Middle
Tom Moncrief- Andrew Jackson Middle
Michelle Dobbs- North Augusta Middle

Minutes from the previous meeting were corrected as follows: Lindsey Webb's name was misspelled; the web address of the division is choraldivision.org. The minutes were approved.

The treasurer's report was presented by Lisa Pecarina who stated that the division now has an interest earning savings account.

The president's report is online. A nominating committee has been formed to present prospective officers for the next term. The four members of this committee are Lisa Pecarina, Sarah Wahl, and Lindsey Webb, and Chris Licen. Nominations from the committee and from the floor will be presented and voted on in February at the conference. The president elect will be a high school director this term. The secretary, Jeri McGuffin, is stepping down, so her replacement will also be nominated.

Committee Reports

Middle School Clinic- Millie Shiflett reported.

1. Clinic fees are now \$5 per student.
2. Please read the clinic guidelines.

Middle School CPA- Camille Jones reported.

1. There are three sites this year.
2. The dates are listed online.
3. Even though the official registration deadline is December 20, please get all materials in by Dec 14 due to the holidays.
4. Scheduling notices will be sent out after January 7, 2019.

Region Choir

1. Registrations are due by December 14 (this is new).
2. The committee is working on starting online registrations for these events.
3. There will be three sites this year.
4. Region choir can be counted toward the Outstanding Performance Award (OPA).

All State Auditions

1. Registration opens online September 10 at noon and closes September 28 at noon.
2. No late registrations will be accepted.

3. Please register early.
4. There is an error on the pdf at the bottom of page 4. Soprano and alto parts are missing the word "the".
5. The weekend schedule starts with registration at 2:00 then rehearsal at 3:00 like last year.
6. You must resubmit your email and the password 18AS19.

High School CPA

1. There are four sites this year with Myrtle Beach being the newest site.
2. The committee has three years of sight reading materials to sell. The copies are in good condition. Email Lisa Cunningham.

New Business

1. Financial Guidelines- ten standing rules which are separate from by-laws and can be easily changed. These are available online.
 - A. Lisa Pecarina proposed adopting the ten rules.
 - B. Gina Jolly asked about rule #4 concerning meal receipts. These must be itemized receipts.
 - C. Each of the ten rules were voted on and approved by the members present.
 - D. The rules give autonomy to site chairpersons. They have been used in the past but are now official.
2. The by-laws are being revamped. Those in charge are waiting for the other divisions before finalizing the Choral Division by-laws. There will be a printed recommendation presented for reading in February. The vote will be at Choral Arts in September with new president, Nikki Belch.
3. The schedule for the February conference will be available Sept 22, 2018.

Announcements

1. Gregory Pittman has requested a committee to review the new state initiatives, SC 4.0 and ADEPT, from a choral point of view to be shared with administrators in schools. The committee has met twice.
2. Gina Jolly asked if the Honors Framework has been addressed. Gregory Pittman stated that it had not been addressed by the Executive Board. Gina wants an Honors designation for her classes- not just a college prep designation. Lizzi Elliott gave some helpful information from her experience with the Honors designation.
3. The Executive Board is working on specifying music teacher certifications so that they are not so broad, e.g. K-12. They are also working on expanding the curriculum.

The meeting was adjourned by Gregory Pittman.