

MINUTES: Ohio Choral Directors Association Fall Board Meeting
Saturday 6 January 2018 | Roush Hall Board Room, Otterbein University

Respectfully submitted by Zebulon Highben, Secretary

Present:

Ben Ayling, Jennifer Call, Wei Cheng, Tim Cloeter, Chris Dent, Amy Gelsone, Daniel Landis, Kristina MacMullen, Doug O'Neal, Daniel Parsley, Holly Pemberton, Brian Potts, Kent Vandock, Beth Vaughn, Loren Veigel, Eric West

Absent:

Frank Bianchi, Marie Bucoy-Calavan, Marla Butke, Tim Carpenter, Tracy Carpenter, Zebulon Highben, Ann Johnson, John McClain, Brandon Moss, Brad Pierson, Richard Schnipke, Julie Strebler

Bold = action taken **Red = future action item**

- I. Call to Order (Veigel)
 - Vice-President Veigel chaired the meeting in the absence of President Schnipke. Eric West took notes and recorded the meeting in the absence of Secretary Highben. Because three of the five members of the Executive Committee were absent, Veigel noted that all motions/actions taken at this meeting were "straw polls" and would be approved by the Executive Committee following the meeting (to be in compliance with OCDA bylaws).

- II. Minutes (Veigel, for Highben)
 - **Motion to approve September minutes as presented**
Motion: Tim Cloeter Second: Beth Vaughn
Motion Passed
Confirmed by Exec. Committee on 8 January

Preliminary Reports

- III. Treasurer's Report (Vandock)
 - Highlights, see *Appendix A*
 - Recognition by the full board, led by Veigel and Ayling, of the excellent and thorough work Treasurer Vandock continues to do for OCDA.
 - **Motion to approve Treasurer's report as presented**
Motion: Ben Ayling Second: Doug O'Neal
Motion Passed
Confirmed by Exec. Committee on 8 January

IV. President's Report (Veigel, for Schnipke)

- Review of summer conference headliners, Hilary Apfelstadt and Jake Runestad
- Reminder of 1 February deadline for OCDA summer conference performance applications, and continuing growth in annual number of applications to perform
- Reminder of the need for assistance at OCDA's OMEA reading sessions

Chair Reports

V. OCDA News Report (Cloeter)

- See *Appendix B, Appendix C*
- Intentionally later publication date for Fall issue of OCDA News allowed for more advertisers and more articles.
- Reminder of upcoming deadline (15 January) and contributors for Spring issue.

VI. Membership Report (Butke)

- See *Appendix D*
- Highlights:
 - YTD: New members (87), Renewals (333)
 - Total current members: 477
 - Sing-Up campaign was a success; all 10 comp memberships were distributed (though the process was challenging)
- Discussion of whether or not the information for lapsed members can be shared so that they can be contacted. (**National should grant permission for membership chair to contact lapsed members. Schnipke can check and authorize Butke to make contact.**)
- **Suggestion to have Butke ask OMEA to share names/contacts of new teachers who joined OMEA so that OCDA can offer its free ACDA memberships.**

VII. Summer Conference Report (Dent)

- Otterbein is ahead of their usual schedule; all information (including campus lodging rates) is already available and can be shared at once with OCDA membership.
- OMEA reading sessions will include a flyer advertising the summer conference.

- Dent addressed issue of registration numbers vs. income in 2016/2017, as directed at previous meeting. Still trying to figure out why the 2016 numbers were so high.
- VIII. Children's Honor Choir (Call)
- Kristina MacMullen will serve as conductor.
 - Call has everything ready to begin promoting at OMEA.
- IX. High School Honor Choir (Veigel/West, for Johnson)
- Flyer advertising high school honor choirs has been created and is ready for distribution.
- X. Historian (Gelsone)
- Discussion of value, cost, and process of digitizing archives and placing them on the website.
 - Board authorizes Gelsone to investigate digitizing the archives and report back to the Board.
- XI. Retired (Ayling)
- Golf outing will be 3 August 2018 at Red Hawk Run in Findlay.
 - Ayling will continue with effort to get retired members to fund/contribute to OCDA scholarship initiatives, etc.
 - Veigel suggested starting a second golf outing on the east side of the state.
- XII. Exhibits/Advertising (Pemberton)
- We have met production costs for advertisers in OCDA News for the year.
- XIII. SC Region (Vaughn, for McClain)
- McClain has compiled a spreadsheet of all names and addresses of every high school in the SC Region, and is working on adding choir director emails to that document.
 - Men's Chorus Festival at Logan High School will be opened up to other districts and counties in the SC Region.
- XIV. SW Region (Potts)
- Attending meetings and working to get to know other parts of the region, beyond Cincinnati.
- XV. NW Region (Vaughn)

- Children’s Choir of Northwest Ohio is in search of new artistic director, if any board members know of potentially interested parties. Contact Vaughn or Brad Pierson for more information.

XVI. EC Region (Cheng)

- Also trying to compile a complete list of schools and choir directors in the Region.
- Planning to host a high school choral festival at Dennison next year.

XVII. No reports from remaining chairs:

- Elementary Festival (Strebler)
- Past Presidents’ Council (Veigel)
- Student Chapter Rep (Landis)
- NE Region (Bianchi)

XVIII. R&R Area Coordinator Reports

- Youth (O’Neal) – no report
- Collegiate (Bucoy-Calavan) – no report
- Lifelong (Parsley, for Carpenters) – no report
- Repertoire Specific (MacMullen)
 - Institute of Korean Studies sponsoring a Korean civic choir that will sing at the Ohio Union at OSU.
 - Women’s Choirs: Jocelyn Hagen in residency at OSU in April, including a premiere of a commissioned work on 13 April. May become a high school honor choir event.

XIX. IT Coordinator Report (West)

- No change to electronic registration for summer conference—everything is running smoothly.
- Guidebook will continue to be utilized. May be able to reduce costs of photocopying if we can determine how many attendees only want to use Guidebook.
- Suggestion by Veigel to investigate the new “Guidebook style” app being designed and utilized by National ACDA.
- Major update to website coming soon—hopefully before summer conference. Update will be cosmetic in initial stage, but additional functionality may be added.

Old Business

- XX. Investment Committee update (Vandock)
- Executive Committee plans to meet in Spring 2018 to prepare final policy and recommendation for advisors, to be presented at the June meeting.

New Business

- XXI. Nominations (Veigel)
- NW Region and EC Region up for reelection. Many candidate nominations for NW Region led to discussion of how to handle a surplus of nominees, given the difference between the size of OCDA membership and the actual number of people who vote in elections.
 - Discussion of how to narrow the slate.
 - **Motion:**
“In the event of more than two nominees for an elected office, the Executive Committee [President, President-Elect, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer] shall select two candidates for the elected office, with counsel from the Past Presidents’ Council.”

Motion: Jennifer Call Second: Ben Ayling

Motion Passed

Voted on and Confirmed by Exec. Committee on 8 January

- XXII. Distinguished Service Award Nominations (Veigel & Vandock)
- Two nominations for the award, Sandra Mathias and Mark Munson. Veigel shared the Mathias nomination (from Robert Ward) and Vandock shared his nomination for Munson.
 - Board discussion included strong testimonies of support for both candidates. The Executive Committee will decide upon this year’s recipient.

Adjournment

XXIII. Motion to adjourn

Motion: Jennifer Call Second: Kent Vandock

Motion Passed

Upcoming Events

- OMEA Conference – February 8-10 (Columbus)
- Central/North Central ACDA Conference – February 14-17 (Chicago)
- Monday 18 June, 10:00 am – Summer Board Meeting (Roush Board Room, Otterbein)
- OCDA Summer Conference – June 18-20 (Otterbein)