

Minutes of Summer OCDA Meeting

June 21, 2004

331 Roush Hall, Otterbein College

Westerville Ohio

Note: Red print denotes action items.

I. Preliminary Reports

- **Call to Order** (Tom Merrill) 10:08 A.M.

Attending: Tom Merrill, Lucinda Houck, Mark Munson, Ben Ayling, Grant Cook, Basil Fett, William Schwepe, Gayle Walker, William Zurkey, Jan Swanson, Michael Lisi, Stephen Caracciolo, Chris Venesile, Robyn Lana, Ron Blackley, Alison Schmidt, Emily Gil, Rich Schnipke, Bill Davis, Frederick Locker, Michael Crandall, Karen Schweinfest, Luke Rosen, Raymond Lowther, Jody Kerchner, and Jamie Holdren

Unable to attend: Andy Call, Michael Hrivnak, Ann Usher, and Michael Seredick

- **Introduction of new members** (Tom Merrill)
- **Minutes** (Ben Ayling)

Motion: To accept the January 2004 minutes with the addendum of the treasurer's term being expired this month rather than a resignation.
Made by: Walker
Seconded by: Fett
Action taken: Passes unanimously

- **Treasurer's Report** (Grant Cook)

Balance of Checking account as of 6/13 is \$17,428.70. There are many bills and some registrations yet to go through the account.

Motion: To accept the Treasurer's Report
Made by: Crandall
Seconded by: Locker
Action taken: Passes unanimously

- **Newsletter Report** (Ron Blackley)

Blackley asked for timely reports. Quality issues were discussed as a point for continuous improvement. The last issue was produced and mailed for less than \$400. The possibility of producing the newsletter digitally as a cost saving measure was discussed. **Merrill and Munson will discuss this as they attend the National meeting in the near future.** Photos are encouraged.

The next Newsletter deadline is September 15, 2004 for:

President

Treasurer's Report

Newsletter Editor

Summer Conference Coordinator (Conference wrap up)

South Central Regional Chair

Music and Worship R&S Chair

The schedule will be put on the website and the editor will add the website address to the newsletter. Some discussion for rates for the newsletter took place.

- **Ohio Department of Education** (Ray Lowther)

Lowther made a report as to the state of the Ohio Fine Arts Academic Content Standards. 239 nominations to fill positions as Model Curriculum Writers and as members of the Model Curriculum Advisory Committee have been received. He also reported that there is a strong interest in the field-testing of lessons/curricula by his department.

II. Old Business

- **OMEA/OCDA Reading Session** (Mark Munson)

Survey results:

- Many nonmembers attend our sessions.
- The data supports a Friday morning event over the traditional Thursday time.
- There is an ever-present desire by those surveyed for more information on the changing voice.

Discussion on the need for more choral events and better coordination of choral events occurred.

Merrill will contact the chair for the 2005 OMEA Conference to assure the room is large enough for this well attended event.

There were enough packets for the sessions with very few extra at the middle school session.

A request by the R&S Chairs was made to have a list of publishers who work well with us. Munson will share this info with the R&S Chairs.

- **OCDA Website** (Luke Rosen)

www.Ohiocda.org

The new site is based upon the old site with a new look. Rosen asked if we want to archive all newsletters. The space available is unlimited and the group felt this would be advantageous. All board members: please email any resources we use so these types of

resources can be included. Send them to: luke@ccup.org. On line registration is being looked into for the near future.

Merrill asked to have the past reading session repertoire listed on the site for the past 5 years. Merrill, Houck, and Munson will need to get this info to him.

All Officers are encouraged to send events to Luke for the calendar.

- **2004 Summer Conference Update** (Gayle Walker)

Walker reviewed the conference activities. We can help by making sure that your name badge is in red and by being helpful to others as a welcoming committee member. Sessions will be timely. All session music will be passed out at registration (beginning of the conference). 118 preregistration at this time which is on track to last year. It was also mentioned that the registration has been raised and that funds are up over past years significantly.

- **OCDA Sponsored Workshops/Festivals** (Mike Lisi)

Lisi reported 23 attendees at this workshop. A Reading session was included along with a packet of resources generated by Ann Usher. Lisi encouraged us to sponsor other workshops throughout the state. Cost was minimal (at cost) to those who attended. Merrill encouraged the Regional Chairs to sponsor activities to better market OCDA.

- **Mileage reimbursement study** (Ben Ayling)

Ayling reported that the total round-trip mileage for the Board to Otterbein is 4,734.00. At \$.35 per mile the amount would be \$1,656.90 and at \$.20 it is \$946.80. No action was taken.

III. New Business

- **2005 Summer Conference** (Gayle Walker and Tom Merrill)

- **Suggestions for presenters for 2005 conference**

Three national headliners are needed plus additional local speakers.

- **Children's Honor Choir** (Robyn Lana)

Robyn will be the divisional chair for Children's Choir. She is being replaced by Kathleen McGuire from Cincinnati.

A State-wide Children's Choir is being planned. This will be facilitated by way of teacher recommendations. Teacher will not be required to join ACDA to participate. The group will perform at the 2005 summer OCDA Conference. **Sites for satellite rehearsals are needed.**

Motion: That OCDA support this program with a pledge of up to \$800 with the desire for an appropriate portion of this to be returned to the OCDA.
Made by: Ayling
Seconded by: Venesile
Action taken: Passes unanimously

- **Partial Conference Attendance Policy** (Gayle Walker and Tom Merrill)

Concerns were expressed as to the bookkeeping of having a multi-tiered price structure. Some have expressed a desire to attend concerts only. It was determined that selling separate ticketed concerts would be acceptable.

- **Other:**

Honorariums were discussed for those who are members who present at the conference. No action was taken.

- **2006 OCDA Summer Conference** (Mark Munson – Chilcott)

- **Elections (Error! Reference source not found.)**

Houck is working on filling the treasurer's position. A treasurer needs to be in place by July 1, 2004

Motion: **To charge the president with appointing an interim treasurer on or before July 1, 2004**
Made by: Fett
Seconded by: Kerchner
Action taken: Passes unanimously

It was noted that university conductors hold many of the current board positions and that more public school teachers are being sought for positions for the coming elections.

- **Distinguished Service Award for 2005**

Recommendations are being sought by president Merrill for possible recipients of this award for the 2005 conference. **All officers should send suggestions/recommendations to Tom Merrill.**

- **Oberlin/Alice Parker Event**

Jodi Kerchner reported on this event. She asked for OCDA's assistance with our mailing list and endorsement. Merrill offered website and newsletter exposure for the event

Motion: To endorse the Oberlin/Alice Parker Event with website and newsletter exposure for the event.

Made by: Lisi

Seconded by: Swanson

Action taken: Passes unanimously

Motion: To adjourn

Made by: Crandall

Seconded by: Caracciolo

Action taken: Passes unanimously at 12:10 P.M.

- **Next Meeting**

OCDA Fall Board Meeting

Saturday, September 11, 2004 10:00 a.m. Otterbein College

Respectfully submitted,

Ben Ayling,
OCDA Secretary

FYI: Upcoming ACDA/OCDA/OMEA Dates

2005

OCDA Winter Board Meeting

Saturday, January 22, 2005 10:00 a.m. Otterbein College

February 2-5 ACDA National Conference in Los Angeles (conflicts with OMEA in Cincinnati)

Feb. 3-5 OMEA Professional Conference, Cincinnati

OCDA Summer Board Meeting

Monday, June 22, 2005, 10:00 a.m. Otterbein College

OCDA Summer Conference
Monday, June 22 through Wednesday, June 24, 2005
Otterbein College

OCDA Fall Board Meeting
Saturday, September 10, 2005 10:00 a.m. Otterbein College

2006

January 26-28 OMEA Professional Conference, Cleveland
ACDA Regional Conference TBD (likely Chicago)

2007

January 31 – February 3 ACDA National Conference in Miami, FL

February 8-10 OMEA Professional Conference, Columbus