

Minutes of Summer OCDA Meeting

January 8, 2005

331 Roush Hall, Otterbein College

Westerville Ohio

Note: Red print denotes action items.

I. Preliminary Reports

Call to Order (Mark Munson)

Attending: Stephen Caracciolo, Tom Merrill, Lucinda Houck, Mark Munson, Ben Ayling, Ann Usher, William Schwepe, Gayle Walker, Jan Swanson, Michael Lisi, Ron Blackley, Karen Schweinfest, Robyn Lana, Luke Rosen, Raymond Lowther, Emily Gil, William Zurkey, Bill Davis, Alison Schmidt, and Kathleen Maguire

Unable to attend: Jackie Nielson, Andy Call, Michael Crandall, Frederick Locker, Chris Venesile, Jamie Holdren, Basil Fett, Michael Hrivnak, Jody Kerchner, and Rich Schnipke

A. Introduction of new members (Mark Munson)

B. Minutes (Ben Ayling)

Motion: To accept the minutes

Made by: Walker

Seconded by: Usher

Action taken: Passes unanimously

C. Treasurer's Report (Mark Munson)

- a. Report submitted for Jacqueline Neilsen
- b. Membership renewals are being processed slowly

Motion: To accept the treasurer's report

Made by: Schweinfest

Seconded by: Walker

Action taken: Passes unanimously

D. Newsletter Report (Ron Blackley)

- a. No report available at this time due to weather

E. Webmaster Report (Luke Rosen)

- a. Web site is about \$20.00 per year

Motion: To enter into a 5-year contract for keeping our domain name www.ohiocda.org at the best rate available
Made by: Usher
Seconded by: Schwepe
Action taken: Passes unanimously

F. ODE State Music Consultant Report (Ray Lowther)

- a. Reported that the ODE is working on providing approved lessons that are general in nature (not specific to band/choral).
- b. Lowther called for a continued awareness of the importance of music advocacy to maintain our place in the curriculum as a core area over that of extra-curricular status. He additionally stressed the importance of keeping advocacy activities at the fore. Lowther will send a copy of a document to our Webmaster regarding this for the website. The state specifies that the arts need to be part of curricular offerings but not how this is to occur. Quality of choral education was discussed in that the arts need to be taught by a specialist in the specific area of instruction.
- c. Discussion continued about the lack of standards for music (from a state perspective) that are accountable. We need to make the point that we are part of the “stream” of curricular issues that address the support of proficiency curricular subjects/areas.
- d. As part of the outreach, Caracciolo suggested we involve ourselves in “informances” to educate and involve the general public.
- e. Usher raised the point that the ODE calls for “highly qualified instructors” and that having generalists doing the teaching defeats this purpose.

G. Munson called for input to Gayle Walker for sessions for the summer conference.

II. Old Business

A. Regional Festivals?

- a. KSU Men’s Chorus Day, February 26, Kent, OH

B. Other

- a. OCDA Children’s Honor Choir (Robyn Lana)
 - i. \$115 fee will be the student fee for this event.
 - ii. Students grades 4-6
 - iii. There are five regional rehearsals scheduled.
 - iv. Rebecca Rottsolk is the guest conductor.
 - v. Teachers do not need to be an OCDA member for their students to participate
 - vi. There will be some flexibility for additional children from large programs
 - vii. Registration materials will be made available on the website

- viii. This will occur during the second and third day of the OCDA summer Conference
- b. 2006? Lana suggested that we host the elementary chorus every other year. Plan for 2007
- c. Other age groups were discussed as possible honor events for future years including church choir singers
- d. 2006 Central division ACDA (Chicago) will have an elementary children's choir, junior high choir and a collegiate open rehearsal opportunity with the conductor.

III. New Business

A. OMEA/OCDA Reading Sessions (Mark Munson)

Friday morning, February 4

9:15: High school - Hyatt Ballroom

10:30: MS/JH - Hyatt Ballroom

2:15: Elementary: Convention Center 213-214

B. 2005 Summer Conference Update (GW) June 20-22, Otterbein College

- a. Eric Whitacre, Rebecca Rottsohlk, Grant Cook, and Linda Hassler.
- b. Children's Honor Chorus with Conbrio Children's Choir, Capitol Chapel Choir, Church, and Mike Lisi's Junior High choir may participate.
- c. Walker is looking to have a panel discussion on Music Advocacy

Motion: That Non-Members, with students in the Children Honor Choir, may attend the 2005 summer conference free of charge with a new ACDA membership (\$75.00). This must be done by the registration date for the Children's Honor Choir (April 15, 2005).

Made by: Gil

Seconded by: Sarsany

Action taken: Passes unanimously

Motion: To increase the 2005 summer conference registration fee for members to \$130.00 (pre-registration) and \$150 for late registrations.

Made by: Walker

Seconded by: Caracciolo

Action taken: Passes unanimously

Motion: To increase the 2005 summer conference registration fee for nonmembers to \$205.00 (pre-registration) and \$225.00 for late registrations. These fees include an ACDA membership for the registrant.

Made by: Walker

Seconded by: Caracciolo

Action taken: Passes unanimously

Motion: To offer a 2005 summer conference registration fee for first-year teachers at the student rate of \$35.00.

Made by: Walker

Seconded by: Lisi

Action taken: Passes unanimously

C. 2005 OCDA Summer Conference Staffing needs

- a. Walker will be on sabbatical in 2006 and is looking for a replacement.
- b. She needs help with grading papers for graduate credit this conference year.

D. Nominating Committee (**Error! Reference source not found.** Tom Merrill, Mark Munson)

- a. Needed positions to fill include Pres elect, Secretary, and Regional Chairs: for North East, South West and South Central

E. Distinguished Service Award Nominees

Motion: A committee nomination was made and accepted by the board

Made by: Lana

Seconded by: Schweinfest

Action taken: Passes unanimously

F. Other

Motion: To Adjourn at Noon

Made by: Lana

Seconded by: Sarsany

Action taken: Passes unanimously

FYI: Upcoming ACDA/OCDA/OMEA Dates

2005

OCDA Winter Board Meeting

Saturday, January 8, 2005 10:00 a.m. Otterbein College

ACDA National Conference

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

OMEA Professional Conference
Feb. 3-5 Cincinnati

OCDA Summer Conference
Monday, June 20 through Wednesday, June 22
Otterbein College

2006

OMEA Professional Conference
January 26 - 28, Cleveland

ACDA Regional Conference
February 15 – 18, Chicago

2007

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

OMEA Professional Conference
February 8-10 , Columbus

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September 11, 2004

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I. Preliminary Reports

- Call to Order 10:18 A.M. (Tom Merrill)
 - Moment of silence for 911 victims

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Unable to attend: Basil Fett, Stephen Caracciolo, Jamie Holdren, Chris Venesile, William Zurkey, Bill Davis, Alison Schmidt, Kathleen Maguire, and Emily Gil

- Introduction of New Members (Tom Merrill)
Jackie Nielson was welcomed to the board as the new treasurer.
- Minutes (Ben Ayling)

Motion: To accept the June 2004 minutes.
Made by: Usher
Seconded by: Swanson
Action taken: Passes unanimously

- Treasurer's Report (Jackie Nielson)
Report presented and she will e-mail the report to Ayling for distribution to the board. Membership fees have increased by \$10 (all of which go to the National organization).

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

Motion: **To have the President make contact with the National office and other affiliates to lobby for part of the increased money from dues to come to the affiliates.**
Made by: Ayling
Seconded by: Houck
Action taken: Passes unanimously

- Newsletter Report (Ron Blackley)
Report was given of who is responsible for coming articles for the newsletter. Photos are encouraged. It will go out mid-October if all goes well. A need to honor retirees was mentioned. **We are all encouraged to solicit ads from retailers.**
- Webmaster Report (Luke Rosen)
Rosen reported that all is well. **Each board member should send him pictures and dates for concerts for the calendar (date, time, fee, places, Html links, etc.). All info should also be sent to Ron inclusion in the OCDA newsletter.**
- Ohio Department of Education (Ray Lowther)
Ray spoke about the Fine Arts Academic Content Standards Book. Model curricula sights are needed. All who are interested should access the ODE site www.ode.state.oh.us to apply. The OMEA Conference will also feature an interest session on new Fine Arts Academic Standards.

II. Old Business

- 2004 Summer Conference Wrap-up (Gayle Walker, Tom Merrill)
 - a. Kudos to the many members who pitched in to assist with the conference. OCDA receives \$37 for each credit hour generated from Otterbein. There were approximately 30 in attendance at the 8:00 am sessions. See Attached report.
 - b. Discussion ensued on the reading session packets. It was suggested that they be pre-set (requested through pre-registration) so as to streamline specific needs and cut down on the costs by not providing every packet for each registrants.
 - c. President Merrill suggests that we ask registrants to choose which of the packets that they most want to take home (without a limit) so we can have that information to study for the coming year.
 - d. The June conference was a more expensive meeting due to increased clinician rates and reading packets. The quality of the conference was reported to be up as was the cost.
 - e. It was suggested that we ask exhibitors to provide give-a-ways for each session. **Fred Locker has offered to take over Exhibitors for 2005.**
 - f. Attendance for the past three summer conferences was reported as 144 in 2004, 167 in 2003, and 142 in 2002. The box dinner was determined to be successful while graduate credit registrations were down.

III. New Business

- OMEA/OCDA Reading Session (Mark Munson)
 - a. **October 15th is the deadline for having R&S chair's selections for the OMEA Conference reading sessions. Also, Jr. Hi music should be sent to Mike Lisi for a check of vocal appropriateness.**

- b. Times will be Friday and are yet to be determined with clarity (Tom received two different schedules).
- OCDA Workshops
Ideas for workshops are encouraged. Proposals should be submitted to the board for consideration and support by the OCDA.
- Needed additional board members positions include the 2-year university and retired member posts.
- 2005 Summer Conference (Gayle Walker and Tom Merrill)
 - Guest conductor/speaker possibilities include:
 - Eric Whitiker
 - Linda Hassler's Group and her session on warm-ups will be presented
 - Robyn is looking for a guest conductor for the Children's Choir
 - Suggestions: Choirs For Next Year's Conference
 - Need suggestions for ChurchChoirs and Community Choirs/Women's Choir
- 2005 OCDA Summer Conference Staffing needs
 - Gayle will be on sabbatical and needs help. Feb/March are the busy times. She is also looking to move on from the position by the completion of Summer Conference 2005
- 2006 OCDA Summer Conference (Mark Munson – Chilcott)
- Elections (**Error! Reference source not found.**)
 - A nominating committee is needed. President Merrill asked Munson, Houck, Schwepe, and Locker to serve along with himself.
- Distinguished Service Award for 2006
- Other
 - The internet domain name needs to be updated. Luke Rosen will solicit 3 quotes to be reviewed at the January meeting.
 - ACDA National is looking at the definition of "Children's Choir." Robyn voiced some concern that this does not become both too limiting as well as inclusive of multi-aged students. Please send your feedback to her.

Motion: To Adjourn
 Made by: Munson
 Seconded by: Locker
 Action taken: Passes with one nay at 12:25 P.M.

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