

ICDA Board Meeting
April 19, 2020 - 4:00 p.m.
Virtual meeting via Zoom

Present: Kerry Glann, Dennis Malfatti, Michael Hummel, Paula Alles, Melissa Walsh, Aaron Riegle, Sarah Kavanagh, Mark Yount, Ryan Knight, Janna McCarty, Jeshua Franklin, Andrea Drury, Chuck Bradley, Anissa Bradley, Matt Kauffman, Madlen Batchvarova, Brain Long, Dan Andersen

Call to order - President Kerry Glann called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. A quorum was in attendance.

Approval of Agenda - Motion: Chuck Bradley, Dennis Malfatti. Agenda approved.

Secretary's Report: January 2020 meeting minutes

- Two corrections were needed:
 - Malfatti: College Music Society (CMS) suggested by Malfatti
 - McCarty: Janna McCarty needs to be added as present at the meeting
- Approval of January 2020 meeting minutes - Motion: Malfatti, Long. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report (Alles):

- Income as of January 10, 2020 = \$29,947.25
- Balance in Checking account = \$8,808.15
- Total in Savings and Checking account = \$38,755.47
- Malfatti asks about the deposit made for the 2020 conference at University of Indianapolis (\$1000.00). Discussion between Hummel, Malfatti, and Alles that it could be used for 2021 conference. Alles states that usually the deposit is paid in October, so if we are refunded we would just pay it back in October.
- Glann asks Alles if ACDA has informed her yet about the membership numbers and the quarterly allotment and she said they have not
- Approval of Quarterly Treasurer's Report - Motion: Malfatti, Kavanagh. Treasurer's Report approved.

Summer Conference

2020 Summer Conference Update (Hummel):

- University of Indianapolis is willing to move everything to next year. We do not have a contract with them regarding next year yet.
- Both 2020 conference headliners are already booked for 2021 so new headliner options are needed for next year.
- All presenters said that they would be willing to present next year. Most people said they were willing to do something virtually but a lot of determinations need to be made on how that could happen.
- Glann states regarding next year's conference that suggestions from the board and survey results from last year's conference could be looked into. Jerry Blackstone and Rollo Dillworth had been suggestions.

All-State Jazz Choir:

- Glann speaking on behalf of Brenda Buchanan - Cedric Dent will direct All-State Jazz Choir next year with the same repertoire. Directors had already been advised to hold off on auditions this year, so there are not many people needing to be refunded and Buchanan and Alles are already working on that process.

Conference Replacement Options Discussion:

- Yount suggests getting the lists that would have been used for reading session music for directors to peruse on their own. Hummel agrees that asking R&R coordinators to put the lists together and links to recordings would be useful.
- Bradley suggests Tesfa [Wondemagegnehu] and Jeffery Redding as possibilities to present over the summer.
- Glann brings up the issue of whether to charge for the virtual summer conference ideas. Using out-of-state clinicians would likely involve charging for attendees.
- Kavanagh suggests perusal videos through publishers online
- Malfatti asks whether the next *Notations* will be electronic and suggests that it could include these repertoire lists. Bradley states that it will be an electronic *Notations*, which saves money and is faster to produce. Hummel says that each R&R coordinator could send in a list and also write something about the pieces.
- Malfatti suggests a forum in *Notations* in which people submit articles discussing contingencies planning for the possible changes in the fall semester. Glann follows with the idea of possibly having a round-table virtual discussion of what people have already done this semester. Malfatti says that maybe it could be a few paragraphs in the digital *Notations*. Knight states that something like this collection of ideas occurred at his school through a Google Form, easier for people to complete on their own time. Discussion ensues regarding a possible form or document that could be edited and viewed on an ongoing basis.
- Long states that a webinar could be recorded and then be shared. The difficulty will be who is managing all of this.
- Drury suggests the need to focus on a few specific topics.
- Hummel states having one person presenting is more successful. Headliners both said they would be willing to do something virtually. Walsh asks about possible fees for them presenting virtually. Glann asks Hummel to find out what would be a reasonable fee for the presenters.
- Glann proposes putting together an ad hoc task force to work on these virtual ideas. Glann will take care of the reading session list with the R&R chairs.
- Yount asks about the reimbursement of people who have already paid for the 2020 conference. Alles states that she was waiting to know if the possible virtual offering would have a fee. Glann and Hummel both state that whatever is offered virtually should be free. Hummel also states that it is unknown how many people will take advantage of a virtual offering since camaraderie in singing together live and attending sessions are primary reasons that people attend the summer conference. People may be more likely to participate in a session if it is available at their own time and convenience.
- Glann states that we may reach people that normally would not be involved.
- Alles will issue refund checks to those who have already registered for the conference.
- Walsh will shut down the registration page.
- Hummel will lead the ad hoc task force for the ideas of a virtual offering.

Board Statement

- Glann reads the statement from the board regarding the cancellation of the 2020 summer conference
- Hummel suggests adding the dates for 2021 summer conference: June 28-30, 2021

Executive Committee, Ex-Officio, and At-Large Reports

Regional Conference Report (Glann)

- Report on Regional Conference in Milwaukee - Dan Andersen gave a presentation. Also, Glann saw a presentation by DiOrio on commissioning composers. Ball State Chamber Choir performed. Bill Neiderer was honored with Stace Stegman Achievement Award for Central Division
- Discussion with Mary Evers regarding the region and conference. No final decisions have been made regarding the next round of conferences.

2020 Election Results and 2021 Elections (Malfatti)

- Alles was elected as Treasurer, which is a 4-year term
- The proposal to remove the role of Membership Coordinator passed.
- Malfatti will send the revised Rules of Governance to the webmaster and to Glann.
- Even number district chair terms are up. Representatives should contact Malfatti to inform him if they would like to continue. If not, it is helpful to offer suggestions for a new representative from the district.
- President Elect and Secretary will be up for election next year. Malfatti will chair a nominating committee for those positions and asks for ideas to be shared of people who are qualified and interested in the positions.

All-State Choir (Anissa Bradley)

- Bradley points out in the budget from 2020 that there is money (approximately \$4,000.00) missing from an area chair so the reported profit from that year is not accurate. Glann states that he has also followed up with that area chair. Malfatti recalls that a similar problem occurred two years ago and the board agreed then that students could not participate who had not been paid for. Glann says that it seems the hold-up had been connected to how the school handles the payment. Hummel says to remind them that students cannot audition again until they have paid their past fee
- Motion to approve the All-State Choir Budget: Andersen, Hummel. Budget approved.

Notations (Chuck Bradley)

- Articles still needed for the upcoming newsletter include President, Treasurer, Editor (himself), and All-State Choir Coordinator.
- May 15 is decided as the new deadline, which will also include the R & R lists.
- Malfatti says he will also send a couple of sentences about the election result

IMEA Liaison (Hummel)

- Jake Narverud and Jim Papoulis will be at the winter conference.
- Choral submissions for honor groups are due at the end of April and then Hummel will be making recommendations for groups to participate.

Upcoming Board Meeting

- The next meeting is tentatively held as Sunday, June 28, 2020 as a virtual meeting
- The treasurer's report for the fiscal year and the new budget will need to be approved at that meeting.

Old Business

IMEA Reading Session music (Glann)

- J.W. Pepper is requiring either a \$3.00 fee per reading session packet or all of IMEA committing to all All-State ensembles to use Pepper as the music provider.
- Glann, Scott Bradford, Dan Andersen, and David Stone spoke with Lane Velayo - Velayo is contacting Dave's Music Den to see if they would like to offer a counter-proposal. This is also to avoid

organizational anti-trust issues. At some level we will be issuing fees for reading session music packets at IMEA conference. Comparatively, ICDA already pays a fee for that music at our conference.

New Business

Reading Sessions and Gender Labels (Glann)

- Glann proposes no longer naming reading sessions with male and female choirs and instead using Treble choir and then Tenor/Bass Choir
- ACDA nationally is heading in that direction as well.

Additional comments and announcements

- Knight asks regarding an ad hoc committee to plan something virtually, would that subcommittee have purchasing power, such as Zoom meeting plans and webinar options. Paula says that making a purchase would be fine since money is not being spent on other aspects of the summer conference.
- Anissa Bradley says that Gayle McCullough retired (accompanist for All-State Choir) so we need a new pianist.
- Kerry says that the ACDA national website was supposed to be updated on April 15 and everyone was supposed to be sent emails to update passwords but they have not yet. Glann says to watch for communication from ACDA regarding that update.
- Regarding the virtual conference ad hoc committee, Walsh will email the entire board to contact Michael Hummel within the week if interested.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn: Malfatti, Andersen, Kavanagh, Riegle. Meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

Additional Note (6/13/20)

On Saturday, June 6 President Kerry Glann made this motion through email that ICDA contribute a \$200.00 donation to a research study conducted at the University of Colorado – Boulder on the spread of aerosols while singing and playing instruments. Through e-mails with 16 “yes” votes, the board approved this motion.