

ICDA Board Meeting
Sunday, June 24, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
Christen DeHaan Fine Arts Center Lobby, University of Indianapolis
Indianapolis, IN

Present: Dennis Malfatti, Mitch Rorick, Rick Gamble, Paula Alles, Kerry Glann, Amy Dedina, Michael Hummel, Dan Andersen, Melissa Walsh, Janna McCarty, Brian Long, Brenda Buchanan, Jeshua Franklin, Aaron Riegle, Bill Niederer, Brian Adcock, Tavis Schlicker

Call to Order: President Dennis Malfatti called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. A quorum was in attendance.

Approval of Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Gamble and seconded by Long.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the April 2018 meeting were approved as amended (MMS Gamble/Andersen).

2018 Summer Conference Update: (Mitch Rorick)

- Encouraged board members to be welcoming to attendees
- Introducers for interest sessions were assigned from the board
- Might need drivers for headliners – Dennis will help
- 109 registrants as of Sunday

2019 Summer Conference Update: (Dennis Malfatti)

- Trying to get a multi-year contract from U Indy
- Dates are June 24-26, 2019

Future Board Meetings:

- Sunday, October 21, 2018, 4:00 p.m., ISSMA Office
- Friday, January 18, 2019, 5:30 p.m., IMEA Conference-Fort Wayne (location TBD)
- Sunday, April 7, 2019, 4:00 p.m. ISSMA Office
- Sunday, June 23, 2019, 6:00 p.m. CDFAC Lobby, University of Indianapolis

Board Elections/Appointments: (Rick Gamble)

- Tavis Schlicker, Janna McCarty, and Brian Long have agreed to serve another term as district reps
- Michael Dean will be District VI rep
- Due to Mitch Rorick's departure from the board, Kerry Glann will serve as president-elect for 2018-19
- Melissa Walsh will serve as secretary for 2018-19
- On leadership roster, the term of Treasurer was corrected to extend until 2020
- Bill Niederer reported that Kelly Cassidy has moved out of District III, but she has some suggestions for her replacement as District Rep

Leadership Structure Nomenclature: (Dennis Malfatti)

- Clarified the term Board vs. Executive Committee. We should not refer to the "executive board." The executive committee is comprised of the President, Vice President, President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report: Paula Alles submitted the quarterly ICDA Financial Report for April 15 through June 24, 2018.

- Quarterly report: current savings balance = \$30,333.89; current checking balance = \$12,552.61; total balances \$42,886.50. Paula highlighted a few items: Income for All-State Choir fees came from replacement checks; ads were sold in conference program; some Vocal Jazz Choir fees have been deposited; 46 college members – we pay portion of their dues. Paula is waiting to combine two bank accounts until current deposit tickets are used up.
- State Budget report: this is the yearly report sent to the national office. Paula walked the board through the State Budget Summary sheet for FY2017-18. Noted that Annual IN Business Report is now due every other year, but price has gone up to \$22. We had to pay 3 years worth of website management fees due to an invoicing error, but that should be a one-time occurrence. Projected fund balance at end of FY 2018-19 is lower than current balance, based on proposed budget figures. Summer Conference report is a complete report of actual figures for the 2017 Conference.
- Motion to accept Treasurer's Report (MMS Andersen/Schlicker). Passed.

Events Budgeting: (Dennis Malfatti)

- Pointed out deficit budget trend. We're presently in a good position with fund balance, but the trend is losing money over recent years. Overhead costs, such as website, mileage for board meetings, newsletter, are not covered by our revenue-producing events. Therefore, event budgets need to take into account overhead costs; need to have goal of making a cushion of funds on each event. We will discontinue buying the IU Directories. That function can be fulfilled with data from Scott Bradford at ISSMA. Ads in conference book, increased conference registration fees should help. Other side of picture is to increase membership to get more income from ACDA National.
- Gamble asked how much we get from ACDA from member dues. Answer is around \$20.
- Bill Niederer asked about reasons for paying mileage for all board meetings. Malfatti outlined recent history of that practice, which was approved by the board. Malfatti will continue to monitor whether four board meetings each year are necessary.
- Tavis Schlicker asked about possibility of additional dues income. We could institute a state membership fee on top of ACDA dues.

All-State Jazz Choir Report: (Brenda Buchanan)

- Shared most current budget report for 2018 event; U Indy meals were cut back due to cost
- Auditions were down by about 20 this year; 2 large schools that typically send kids did not
- OpusEvent has been a great tool for managing auditions and registration. However, problems resulted from kids not reading e-mails or messages getting caught in school spam filters; next year will instruct not to use school e-mail and perhaps require secondary e-mail.
- 35 singers this year; the ensemble needs to be at a larger size to cover budget (response to a question posed in last meeting's minutes about possibly having multiple groups of smaller size)

All-State Choir Report: (Brian Adcock)

- Problem with missing payments from a particular area has been resolved.
- Plans well underway with Tesfa Wondemagegnehu for January 2019

Notations Report: (Bill Niederer)

- Will be getting files from Amy Hughley this week

Membership Report: (Vaughn Roste)

- no report

Old Business:

- Middle School/Junior High All-State Choir exploratory committee update – (Gamble): Josh Hren has been working on this issue and met with Lane Velayo, who agreed some things need to be fixed. Working with IMEA to address complaints with audition procedures: repertoire, range for male singers, audition judging. Another concern is about timing of MS CSWS in relation to honor choir. ICDA committee will make recommendations – our role will be advisory. Malfatti asks board to assemble list of most salient things we want to state in making recommendations from ICDA to IMEA for improvements; he will then draft a letter to IMEA
- HS Circle the State with Song – (Malfatti): IMEA piloting a regional festival opportunity for high school choral students; 3 sites in the state in the fall; will use ISSMA Required literature
- ICDA Awards – (Roste): no report

New Business:

IMEA Liaison Report: (Michael Hummel)

- IMEA going away from in-state directors for conference honor choirs
- Dan Borns's group will perform at 2019 conference; sessions and performances should be strong on the choral side

ACDA National Conference “60th Jubilee” - February 27-March 2, 2019, in Kansas City, MO

- Attendance encouraged

District Representative Reports:

- Amy Dedina put together a list of directors in her district; will work with Andrea Drury to update Evansville area; Amy (IMEA), Anissa Bradley (ICDA), and Scott Bradford (ISSMA) will lead session “Membership Has Its Privileges “ IMEA conference, outlining why being a member of these professional organizations is valuable
- Aaron Riegle expressed thanks for the conference Facebook page
- Brian Long reported a large turn-over of teachers recently in District IV

Repertoire and Resources Coordinator Reports

- Dan Andersen – excited about reading sessions

Announcements

- Bill Niederer mentioned call for Notations articles; approximate length 500 words, but he will edit as appropriate
- Board encouraged to attend the conference luncheon on Wednesday

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. (MMS Riegle/Andersen).

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry Glann
Secretary