

ICDA Board Meeting
January 17, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.
Virtual meeting via Zoom

Present: Kerry Glann, Michael Hummel, Melissa Walsh, Dennis Malfatti, Paula Alles, Brenda Buchanan, Dan Andersen, Andrea Drury, Anissa Bradley, Brian Adcock, Chuck Bradley, Jennifer Kitzmiller, Kyle Broady, Madlen Batchvarova, Mark Yount, Ryan Knight, Sarah Kavanagh

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 to approve: Michael Hummel, Dan Andersen. Approved.

October 2020 Minutes: Motion to approve: Dan Andersen, Paula Alles. Approved.

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

Presidential Updates (Glann)

- Thank you to R&R Chairs who prepared reading sessions for the virtual IMEA Conference
- Promote the ACDA National Conference: Diversity in Music, virtual conference.

Elections (Malfatti)

- Thank you to the nominating committee
- Executive board election results: Andrea Drury as president elect and Melissa Walsh as secretary
- Glann: Looking to the next term after July 1, the incoming Vice President will appoint any new district representatives, and the incoming President will appoint the R&R chairs and coordinators

Treasurer's Report (Alles)

- Quarterly financial report: Balance and Income in Savings account: \$34,828.07. Balance and Income in Checking account: \$8,797.17. Combined amount in Checkings and Savings accounts: \$43,625.24.
- Motion to approve: Mark Yount, Dan Andersen. Approved.

All-State Choir (Anissa Bradley & Brian Adcock)

- Auditions through HeartOut App begin on Monday, January 18 and continue through Wednesday, January 27
- 270 students are auditioning and 150 students will be accepted
- One-day event will tentatively occur on June 4 at the Marriott East. Students will have lunch and dinner. Concert at the Palladium in Carmel that evening. Jeffery Redding is conducting and agreed to a smaller stipend. Smaller concert: only 4 pieces (one is the audition piece). Students prepare their music on their own or with their school director and they will receive rehearsal files. Usage of the rehearsal space should be free, but food will be a large expense.
- Discussion ensues regarding the revised All-State Choir Budget including the increased fee for students of \$100 (pays for buses, programs, Redding, accompanist, music, etc.) and the cost of the HeartOut App for auditions.
- Motion to approve the Revised All-State Choir budget: Jennifer Kitzmiller, Sarah Kavanagh. Approved.

Summer Conference (Hummel)

- Quote from University of Indianapolis is approximately \$800 higher than before
- Headliners: Elaine Hagenberg and Dr. Jason Max Ferdinand
- Potential virtual headliners: Eric Whitacre with Charles Anthony Silvestri to do a live virtual session in real time during the conference.
- Hummel will be sending out the call for conference proposals soon, which could include recording the live sessions to be available virtually.
- Advertising opportunities could have virtual and in-person options.
- Discussion ensues about in-kind donations from UIndy. They gave a 90% in-kind for facility rental.
- Discussion ensues about fees and registration, particularly considering the possible virtual options. Conference information and registration should be available around late March or early April. Waiting will also provide more time to decide in relationship to Covid.

All-State Vocal Jazz (Brenda Buchanan)

- Cedric Dent just withdrew from participating due to Covid concerns
- Discussion ensues regarding ideas of adjustments that could be made for safety concerns
- Table the presentation and approval of the All-State Vocal Jazz budget until the April meeting to consider these ideas and search for a new director for the group
- Glann offers the idea to use Indiana high school vocal jazz directors for All-State Vocal Jazz

Notations (Chuck Bradley)

- The Fall issue arrived late to many people
- Bradley is considering putting out a poll to see who wants a mailed copy and then others can receive a PDF, which will save money on postage
- Glann suggests having a system to allow people to opt in or out of receiving it by mail
- Andersen suggests putting the reading session lists from the IMEA conference in the next issue

Upcoming Board Meetings

- Sunday, April 11 through Zoom
- Sunday, June 27 hopefully in-person before the summer conference

Old Business

IMEA reading session music (Andersen)

- Beth Wind, now with Sweetwater, can provide all reading session packets for the summer conference free of charge

Advocacy finding requests (Glann) - As a follow-up to previous requests from a few music advocacy groups for financial support, no new information or developments have occurred.

New Business

Membership Statistics and Future Planning (Glann)

- Through the Sing-off membership campaign from the fall, ICDA gave away seven complimentary memberships
- ACDA National Office statistics about membership:
 - From June 30 to November 15, overall national membership dropped by approximately 11%

- From June 30 to November 15, ICDA membership dropped by 22%. (ICDA has 250 total members as of the meeting. June last year there were 339.)
- People renew memberships in order to come to the summer conference
- ICDA gets a payout from ACDA national based on our membership as of April
- Glann encourages us to reach out to people whose membership has lapsed.
- Information from recent ACDA feedback activities:
 - Concerns that were brought to attention included 1) a perception that ACDA is not relevant to people's specific areas, 2) cost, and 3) a perceived ACDA's resistance to change
 - Dr. Apfelstadt proposed 4 questions and Glann encourages strategic planning in response:
 - Where do we want to see ADCA (ICDA) in the next year and beyond?
 - What can we do better to serve the needs of the profession?
 - How can we encourage other choral musicians to join ACDA?
 - How can you contribute to ICDA?
- Discussion follows regarding the size and scope of ACDA conferences and having more inclusion in the conference

District Representative Reports

- Ryan Knight (District 7): Circle the State tried to do a high school state virtual choir opportunity in the fall but lacked participation. The elementary and middle school deadline is extended until March 31.
- Glann sent District reps updated copies of the ISSMA school list. In response to the request for ACDA to add a question when members renew to identify their county of residence, the central office said that could be done, but not this year.

Repertoire and Resources Coordinator Reports

No new reports.

Announcements for the Good and Welfare of ICDA

- Dates of national conference and summer conference:
 - Virtual National ACDA Conference - March 18-20, 2021
 - ICDA Summer Conference - June 28-30, 2021
- Malfatti: information about the University of Evansville's proposal to eliminate the music department is moving in a positive direction and prospective music students should still consider the school

Motion to adjourn: Melissa Walsh, Mark Yount. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 5:41.