

NWNMMEA Band Fall Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order-	3:32 PM	
2. Attendance-	Dave Bridgewater, John Patton, Jenifer, Lasley, Benjamin Ludwig, Alex Olivas, Amos Brown, Melody Postoak, AJ Carson, Les Leach, Daniel Fear, Alex Lee, Cody Jackson, Cameron Hornberger, John Hamilton, David Schwartz	

August 21, 2023

3. Treasurer Report- Roughly \$1200

4. Old Business

- Honor Band Clinicians for 23/24- Amy Williams (MS) and Dr. Steven Smyth (HS)
- Honor Band Audition Material was emailed to directors the week of August 7. If you didn't get the email, please let me know.

5. 2023-2024 Schedule

NWNMMEA Fall Meeting	August 21, 2023	Tibbetts Middle School
Valencia Classic Marching Festival	October 14, 2023	Los Lunas, Valencia HS
2023 Bands Across the Rio	October 21, 2023	Rio Rancho HS
NWNMMEA Marching MPA	October 25, 2023	Farmington HS
All-State Band Auditions Due	November 5, 2023	Via OpusEvent
Honor Band Auditions Due	November 10, 2023	Via Recordings
All-State Conference	January 10-13, 2024	Albuquerque, UNM
NWNMMEA Honor Band	January 18-19, 2024	Piedra Vista HS
Fort Lewis Honor Band	February 2-3, 2024	Durango, CO- FLC
Fort Lewis Jazz Festival	February 29, 2024?	Durango, CO- FLC
NWNMMEA Jazz Festival	March 22, 2024	Grants HS
NWNMMEA Large Group MPA	April 3, 2024	Bloomfield HS
Solo and Ensemble	April 27, 2024	Rehoboth Christian School
NWNMMEA Spring Meeting	May 13, 2024	Tibbetts Middle School

6. New Business

- Welcome New Directors!
 - Alex Lee - Mesa View MS

- Cameron Hornberger - Shiprock HS
- David Schwartz - Kirtland Central HS
- Jessica Schwartz - Kirtland Central MS
- VP Expectations
 - Effective Communication between members
 - Email all NWNMMEA items to VP email- nw-vpband@nmmea.com
 - Complete Surveys for Minor Issues- Well Done!
 - Plan on attending Fall and Spring Meetings- Be Proactive about putting in your leave.
- MS/HS Honor Band Clinicians for 24/25 (Need 2 names for MS/HS)
 - MS Suggestions:
 - Dan Bell
 - John Converse
 - HS Suggestions:
 - Emily Moss - Director of Bands, UNM
 - Rodney Ritthaler
 - Michael Mapp - Director of Bands, NMSU
- Marching MPA Judges- Rodney Ritthaler, Nathan Matherne, and Sergio Beraun
 - Motion by Jennifer Lasley to approve
 - Seconded by Cody Jackson
 - APPROVED
- Large Group MPA Judges- Dr. Justin Hubbard, Rhonda Muckerman, Daniel Fear, and Dr. Teun Fetz (Sight Reading)
 - Motion by John Hamilton to approve
 - Seconded by John Patton
 - APPROVED
- Jazz MPA Judges- Dr. Richard Schwartz, Michael Gutierrez, and Chris Argotsinger (pending)
 - Motion by Jennifer Lasley to approve
 - Seconded by AJ Carson
 - APPROVED
- NWNMMEA Financial Proposal for Fees- John Patton
 - John suggests we have more participation at district events.
 - One standard price for each school for the entire year?
 - Cost to participate could be per person?
 - Minimum baseline price for participation?
 - Motion made by Jennifer Lasley to increase each MPA fee per ensemble of up to 65 students to \$250 + \$7.50 per additional student.
 - Seconded by David Schwartz
 - (further discussion)
 - Amendment motion proposed by David Schwartz: Make this policy for the 2023-24 school year.

- Motion made by Alex Olivas for amendment to change 65 students to 50 students.
 - Seconded by David Schwartz
 - Voted on and APPROVED
 - Motion APPROVED: MPA fees for ensembles up to 50 students will be \$250 + \$7.50 per additional student.
- Alex Olivas brings up that we should consider reimbursing clinicians more for driving.
 - Daniel Fear motions to reimburse clinicians for district events 65.5 cents per mile (IRS rate)
 - Seconded by AJ Carson
 - Alex Olivas motions to amend to 50 cents per mile
 - Seconded by AJ Carson
 - Voted on and APPROVED
 - Voted on original motion and APPROVED.
- David Schwartz proposes that we should consider charging a blanket fee for Honor Band participation.
 - Students pay one fee to audition, and participate if they are accepted into the ensemble.
- Motion by David Schwartz to have an all-inclusive \$25 fee per student for Honor Band (covers audition and participation for those students who are accepted), and each participating school is required to pay for a minimum 10 students + \$25 for each additional student.
 - Seconded by Alex Olivas
 - Voted on and APPROVED
- Honor Band
 - Would we like to go back to in-person auditions or stick with recorded auditions?
 - Motion by Cody Jackson to have live recorded auditions on November 10 at Tse Bit Ai MS to be judged at a later date.
 - Seconded by Jessica Schwartz.
 - Voted on and APPROVED
 - Suggested rubrics for judging auditions.
 - Motion by Alex Olivas to keep last year's rubric but add a 2.5 multiplier to the etude score.
 - Seconded by David Schwartz
 - Voted on and APPROVED
- Solo and Ensemble- Do directors intend to participate? Haven't had it in awhile and there hasn't been much participation when it was held.
 - Motion by AJ Carson to remove Solo and Ensemble from the NWNMMEA calendar
 - Seconded by Daniel Fear
 - Voted on and APPROVED

- MPA Sight Reading Music- This is the year we need to order new music based on our Handbook Rules. Can we get it ordered when funds are available or do we need to come up with a plan with the music we have?
 - Approx. cost: \$676
 - Sightreading will be put up to Dave Bridgewater's discretion.
 - Les Leach offers to pay for new set(s).
- Final MPA Spreadsheet Scores- Do they need to be shared with all directors?
 - We will continue the

7. Adjourn Meeting

- a. Motion by Dan Fear to adjourn meeting.
- b. Cameron Hornberger seconds
- c. Meeting adjourned at 5:25 PM