

# KMEA Board Meeting

August 6 & 7, 2010
Friends University

Mike Quilling, KMEA President John W. Taylor, Executive Director



# KMEA Open Discussion Friday, August 6, 2010

12:00-5:00 p.m.

### Lunch

### **Welcome and Introductions**

### **Old Business Items:**

- 1. 2011 KMEA In-Service Workshop Schedules and Logistics
- 2. KASTA Intercollegiate Orchestra
- 3. Other

### **New Business Items:**

- 1. Financial Report (John Taylor)
- 2. Kansas Music Review Online (Update)
- 3. KSHSAA Solo & Ensemble Rubrics
- 4. Free Registration to ISW for Terminated Members
- 5. CMENC Chapter of the Year Proposal
- 6. Increase KMEA ISW Exhibitors Booth Fee
- 7. Increase ISW Fees (Registration/Student Fees)
- 8. Announcement of Performing Groups for ISW 2011 (Craig Manteuffel)
- 9. Funding to Assist Students Selected to MENC National Ensembles (Washington D.C.)
- 10. Funding CMENC Students to Attend MENC SW Divisional Symposium (Dallas, TX)
- 11. Other

### **5:00-6:00** Working Dinner

### 6:00-8:00 Evening Meetings (if needed)

Presidents Meeting: Ray Essington, facilitator

Executive Council: KMEA Issues



# Kansas Music Educators Association Board Meeting August 7, 2010 Friends University, Fine Arts Building 9:00-11:30 A.M. AGENDA

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	A.	The	KMEA 2011 Board				
		1.	New Members & Guest				
	B.	Upo	coming Events & Deadlines				
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		2.	October 9 <sup>th</sup> – 2011 ISW Schedul	ling M	1eeting	TBA	
	C.	Kar	sas Arts Commission Grants				
		1.	Operational Support				
		2.	American Masterpiece Grants				
	D.	ISW	<i>l</i> 2011				
		1.	Craig Welle, MENC Southwest D	Divisio	on Pres	ident	
		2.	President's Concert – Dallas Bra	ass			
	E.	ME	NC Music in Washington Week				
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### **Recap and Adjournment** VII.

Other

\*Accept Nominations for KMEA President (2013-15)



# KMEA Board Meeting June 5, 2010 Friends University Riney Fine Arts Building

AGENDA	DISCUSSION	FOLLOWUP
I. Call to Order	President Mike Quilling called the 2010 Kansas Music Educator service Workshop Board Meeting to order. Mike welcomed ever today's board meeting.	
II. Approval of Minutes	Minutes from the February 25, 2010 board meeting were reviewed by all present. Jean Ney noted the following correction:  •Page 8, Lisa Hittle should be listed as Jazz Advisor, not Jazz Education.  Scott Hay moved to accept the minutes with corrections.	The minutes are available to view on the KMEA website.
	Randy Berls seconded the motion.	
III. Introductions and Remarks	Randy Berls seconded the motion.	
<ul> <li>MENC Music in Washington Week:         Troy Armstrong, Blue Valley West HS '09, was the Competition Winner. An audio recording of his competition Mence website.     </li> <li>Four Kansas students were selected to play in MENCE Ensembles: Paul Radke, Trombone, St. Thomas A Reeser, Tuba, Wichita South HS; Molly Porter, Manage Aguinas Aguinas HS; Anthony Fortino, Mixed Competition of the Competition of the</li></ul>		on is available at onal Honor as HS; Sydney I Choir, St.
	Aquinas HS.  KMEA visits with all Kansas Legislators each year to ask for consupport of music education. MENC encourages all states to do the during the convention, providing legislators with a strong united	



	for music legislation. President Mike thanked MENC for their leadership at the national level.
III. Introductions and Remarks (continued)	•President Mike congratulated Lakewood Middle School in Salina, KS for being named the MENC Tri-M Chapter of the Year, Junior Division. They are led by Lindsay Ladman.
	•President Mike presented thank-you notes written by KMEA scholarship recipients.
	•the Executive Council of KMEA thanked Jan Ives for her hard work and dedication through the years she served as Recording Secretary.
	•President Mike asked all board members to review contact information in the Board Book before the August Board meeting.
	• Upcoming Dates: August 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2010– 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2010– August Board Meeting (Friends University) October 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2010– Deadline Clinic Proposal Forms October 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2010- Awards Deadline October 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2010– 2011 ISW Scheduling Meeting TBA March 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2011, Strategic Planning Meeting.
	Eligible voters – Mike explained who in attendance were eligible to vote on motions brought before the board today.
IV. KMEA Board Reports a. Executive	Please go to the Board Book for the ISW Board Meeting to read all reports in full. Only new and or updated notes will be included in the minutes.
Council	President Mike Quilling. Report stands as written. He highlighted a few of the many things he has been busy with.
	President Elect, Craig Manteuffel. Report stands as written. He thanked John Taylor for being a voice for Kansas while serving on the MENC board. He also thanked President Mike for his hard work this year.
	Vice President, Jean Ney. Report stands as written. Jean thanked KMEA leadership for another great year.
	KMEA Executive Director, John Taylor. Report stands as presented. John reported that attendance at the KMEA convention (including exhibiters) was slightly down. Financial reports will be presented in August. John noted his continued goal to bring together the District Managers of the KMEA Districts. He publicly thanked the KMEA staff and employees for excellence service.
IV.b – District Presidents	Laura VanLeeuwen, Northeast District. Report stands as written. She announced new President-Elect, Chad Coughlin, director at Olathe South High School.



IV.b- District Presidents (continued)	Ray Essington, Southeast District. Report stands as written. He noted that the date for their New Teacher Event will be decided soon.  Quentin Breese, North Central District. Report stands as written. Quentin noted that Miss Kansas participated in the NCKMEA mini-convention in December 2009.
(continued)	Scott Hay, South Central District. Report stands as written. Scott noted that rehearsal/performance space has been their biggest hurdle this year as WSU is going through renovations.
	Randy Berls, Northwest District. Report stands as written. Randy is looking forward to hosting SW/NW orchestra this year.
	Erica Clausing, Southwest District. Report stands as written. Erica was unable to attending the board meeting.
IV.c- Kansas CMENC President	Mary Rose Blitz, CMENC President. Report stands as written. Mary Rose noted that CMENC numbers are increasing at many Kansas colleges. Mike publicly thanked CMENC for their strong presence at the KMEA convention this year.
V.d- KMEA Staff	Harold Popp, KMR Editor. Report stands as written. Harold noted that several state magazines are including an online/digital form. He also asked the board to submit any topic suggestions they have. KMR deadline dates are: August 1, October 1, January 1, and March 15.
	Robert E. Lee, Advertising Manager. Robert's report stands as written. Robert asked board members to review his handout illustrating the history of advertising rate hikes.
	Troy Johnson, Webmaster. Report stands as written. Troy noted that the KMEA calendar has a new structure. This allows districts to combine their dates so members can see all events/meetings in one place.
	Randy Fillmore introduced all festival chairs. President Mike publicly thanked them for their hard work.
	Jean Ney, KMEA Fund. Report stands as written. Gayle McMillen was unable to attend the meeting. Jean stressed that all board members must read the full report. She noted that the fund is ahead of its \$10,000 goal.
IV.f- Affiliate Organizations	Marion Roberts, KBA President. Report stands as written. She noted that the new Kauffman Center in Kansas City would like to connect with KMEA.
	Greg Bontrager, KCDA President. Report stands as written. The KCDA Summer Convention will be held July 8-10, 2010 at the Topeka Holidome.
	Kathleen McCullough, KASTA President. Report stands as written. Kathleen noted that increased interest in string programs may warrant a second state wide orchestra. President Mike will attend the July KASTA meeting to discuss this



	possibility.				
IV.f- Affiliate					
Organizations Holly Taylor, KMEK. Report stands as presented. Judy Mareda, President, wa					
(continued)	unable to attend the meeting. Holly noted that KMEK member				
	growing.				
	Robin Liston, Kansas Orff. Report stands as written. Laura K	Krejci, President, was			
	unable to attend the meeting. Robin noted that Level II certific				
	at Baker University this summer.				
V. OLD BUSINESS	S				
V. a- Use of	Both proposals were accepted by the KSHAA board. Presiden	t Mike added that			
Intelligent	KMEA was commended for being well prepared. They are in				
Accompaniments	school year.				
(Smart Music) at					
KSHSAA Solo &					
Ensemble					
Contest/Adult					
Accompanist					
(non-piano) for					
KSHSAA Large					
Group Festival.					
VI. NEW BUSINES	SS				
VI. a- 2011	Because of Broadview renovations, there will be several	Schedule will be			
KMEA In-	changes in venues for rehearsals/performances in 2011.	presented at August			
	Possible schedule & sites are still being considered.	board meeting.			
Service	President Mike thanked the KMEA board for input and	o our o mooning.			
Workshop –	being willing to compromise.				
Schedules and					
Logistics					
VI. b- KMEA	Inclement weather can be problematic for students travelling	Festival Chairs will			
	to audition live. Although there is a contingency plan in	report at the August			
Instrumental	place, there is need for a contingency plan #2. This could	Board Meeting.			
Live Auditions	possibly include a third live audition option, or a recorded	Doard Meeting.			
	audition. President Mike and Randy will discuss with all				
	Instrumental Festival Chairs.				
VI. c- KASTA	Kathleen McCullough indicated there is interest in an	Results will be			
Intercollegiate	Intercollegiate Orchestra. District boards are encouraged to	shared at the			
Orchestra	discuss this among their membership.	August board			
Orchestra	and the among their memoriship.	meeting.			
VI. d- KMEA	There will be no separate competition added for Jazz entries	Added to August			
Composition	at this time. Jazz composers will submit to the general	Board Book.			
	competition. Board discussed making the rubric available to	_ 0.00 D 00 M			
Competition	anyone submitting. Randy Berls submitted rubric				
Guidelines	availability for the August Board Book.				
VI a II C Amer	The U.S. Army All-American Marching Band performance	Laura VanLeeuwer			
VI. e- U.S. Army	,	second the motion.			
All-American	conflicts with KMEA live audition date. Although students				
Marching Band	are encouraged to audition for this all-expenses paid MENC-	Motion passed			
VI a II C A	sponsored opportunity, few do because of the conflict.  Quentin Breese made the following motion: <i>I move that</i>	unanimously. President Mike			
VI. e- U.S. Army					
	KMEA provide an alternate instrumental live audition	encouraged all			



All-American Marching Band (continued)	recording process, under KMEA supervision, for students who qualify for the MENC-sponsored U.S. Army All-American Marching Band.	District Presidents to recommend this experience to their students. Information is available at the MENC website.
VI. f- Advertising Rate for Kansas Music Review	Harold, Bob, and John recommended a 20% increase in advertising rates for KMR for the 2010-2011 year. Rates have not been raised since 2007.  Randy Berls made the following motion: <i>I move that KMEA accept the KMR advertising rate increase as proposed by Bob Lee</i> .	Ray Essington seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Rates will be in effect immediately.
VI. g- Other	Festival Concert Schedule will be as follows: Choir first, Jazz Band second, and Statewide Orchestra, 1234A Band, and 56A Band will be in a three-year rotation to fill the final three spots.	
Adjournment	As there was no other issues brought before the Board at this to adjourn the 2010 KMEA Board Meeting. Scott Hay second meeting adjourned the meeting at 11:25 am.	



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### President Mike Quilling

Since the KMEA June Board meeting the following events have occurred:

### **Events Attended**

	June 9 <sup>th</sup>	KSU Symposium (Manhattan, KS)
	June 25 <sup>th</sup> -29 <sup>th</sup>	MENC National Assembly (Washington D.C.)
	July 15th-16 <sup>th</sup>	KASTA Summer Conference (Wichita)
	July 15th-16 <sup>th</sup>	KBA Summer Conference (Wichita)
	July 20 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup>	MENC Southwest Division Meeting (Dallas, TX)
•	July 28 <sup>th</sup>	KMEA Meeting Regarding KMR

### **Upcoming Events**

• October 9 KMEA Scheduling Meeting (Friends University)

### **KMEA ISW 2011**

- Continue discussions with KMEA leadership about scheduling and logistics for KMEA ISW 2011
- Collect and develop clinic sessions for the KMEA ISW 2011

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Quilling KMEA President



### President-Elect Craig Manteuffel

Since the 2010 June 5<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting:

- Attended the MENC National Assembly in Washington, DC on June 26-29. Visited with MENC President Scott Shuler, who will attend our 2012 ISW. Mike, John, and I met with our government leaders to talk about music education and the arts. It was once again a valuable experience.
- Studied the MENC Strategic Plan, the past two KMEA Strategic Plans, and other State MEA Strategic Plans. I continue to listen and take notes in order to outline the 2012-2013 KMEA Strategic Plan.
- Attended the KCDA Convention in Topeka on July 9-10. Greg Bontrager was an excellent host. I was impressed, but not surprised with the number of dedicated vocal teachers in attendance. It was great to witness Vern Zielke, of Senseney Music, receive the 2010 *Harry Robert Wilson Award*. Vern taught choral music in Sterling my first couple of years at Otis-Bison. Congratulations Vern!
- Visited with both 2011 KMEA President-Elect nominees on the phone. We are extremely fortunate to have two outstanding candidates. Congratulations!
- Attended the MENC SW Division Board Meetings in Dallas, TX on July 21-22. We continue to have awesome leadership from Kansas in the SW Division. Mary Rose Biltz, CMENC President and Scott Ireland, CMENC Vice-President were outstanding representatives! They proved that the future of music education in Kansas is in great shape! I certainly look forward to working with these wonderful young educators in the next few years and beyond.
- Attended a special meeting with Mike Quilling, John Taylor, Harold Pope, Troy Johnson, and Bob Lee on July 28<sup>th</sup> in Wichita.
- By the time this report is received, I will have sent notification letters to all directors who submitted auditions for the 2011 ISW.

### \*Please document this very important date in your calendars!

Saturday, March 19, 2011 Strategic Planning Meeting, Friends University, Times TBA

Respectfully submitted,

Craig L. Manteuffel, President-Elect



### Vice President Jean Ney

The KMEA Vice-President has accomplished the following activities since the June Board meeting:

- Provided sage advice to anyone who asked
- Revised the on-line forms for scholarships and awards
- Fielded many e-mails and calls regarding the job market for music educators in Kansas
- Has been invited to be a founding member of the Kansas Alliance for Arts Education
- Has been invited to be a guest "blogger" on the new CMENC Blog

Regrettably, attendance at the Southwest Division Summer meeting in Dallas was not possible this year due to job duties and a new administrative regime. From all reports, our Kansas delegation was superbly represented.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Ney KMEA Vice-President



# Executive Director John W. Taylor

Since the June Board meeting, I have the following items to report.

- 1. I attended the National Assembly in June in Arlington, Virginia, and the Southwestern Division Board meeting in July in Dallas, Texas. Since I am now a member of the National Executive Board, my expenses for these meetings are covered by MENC and not KMEA.
- 2. The fiscal year ended on June 30. The books for the fiscal year 2009-2010 have been reviewed by our CPA, and found to have been completed with appropriate accounting procedures. A complete analysis of 2009-2010 has shown to not be as bleak as I had anticipated, although we did lose money. We will finish the year with sufficient funds in the checking account to start the next fiscal year. A complete financial report for fiscal 2009-2010 will be given during this Board meeting. I request approval of that report.
- 3. We will need to increase income for the 2010-11 fiscal year. I will be making some recommendations during the Board meeting for your consideration, and I request your approval of some fee increases.
- 4. All facilities booking for the 2011 ISW is completed, including booking for the Garvey Center and the Metropolitan Baptist Church. As we know, the Broadview Hotel will be closed for renovations during the 2011 ISW, and when it opens for 2012, there will only be one ballroom rehearsal facility. Some State Festival Ensembles will be moved to different locations this year, with an eye on where ensembles will be placed when the Broadview does open.
- 5. Contracting for guest artists and clinicians for the 2011, 2012, and 2013 ISWs continues. All 2011 contracts should be complete by the end of August. I have asked the Festival Chairs and Elementary Chair to have all bookings for 2012 and 2013 completed by the end of the summer. 2012 is coming along well, but 2013 bookings are behind schedule. Once we complete the election of a new President-Elect at the 2011 ISW, I will begin to work with his/her Chairs to complete bookings for 2014 and 2015. I hope to have those contracts completed by August 2013.
- 6. I have wanted to meet with the KMEA District Managers for 1-2 years. We have scheduled this meeting for Friday, August 6 at 10:30 AM, even though only 2 of the 6 District Managers are available. I hope we will be able to gather more Managers at a future meeting date.
- 7. The Kansas Arts Commission Grants continue to be reduced. The 2009-10 Operations Grant second payment was eliminated. The 2010-11 Operations Grant was reduced significantly, and I do not anticipate a second payment in the summer of 2011. The Infrastructure Grant was not available for a second year during the 2010-11 fiscal year.



8. Our KMEA employees continue to do stellar work. Jan Ives resigned from her position as Recording Secretary this past spring, and I am pleased that Sara Stecklein has accepted this position. Sara is a successful elementary music educator in the Wichita Public Schools and is a former CMENC State President. As members of the KMEA Board, please take time to thank our employees for their service when the opportunity presents itself.

Don Corbett, Exhibits Manager Randy Fillmore, Ensembles Manager Kevin Findley, Local Arrangement Manager Amber Ives, on-Site Registration Manager Troy Johnson, Web and Technology Manager Bob Lee, KMR Advertising Manager Harold Popp, KMR Editor Michelle Poster, Registration Manager Sara Stecklein, Recording Secretary



# Northeast District President Laura VanLeeuwen

The Northeast District of KMEA announces the following dates for events during the 2010-2011 school year:

June 16, 2010	Board Meeting at Carrabas	Overland Park
September 14, 2010	Fall Dinner Meeting	Lawrence H.S.
October 2, 2010	District Marching Festival	KU Stadium
October 15, 2010	District Audition Entry Deadline	All Ensembles
November 6, 2010	District Auditions	Baldwin H.S.
December 4, 2010	Band All Levels Mini Convention	Blue Valley H.S.
December 4, 2010	Choir All Levels Mini Convention	SM South H.S.
December 4, 2010	Orchestra All Levels Mini Convention	Olathe South H.S.

The Northeast District held a very successful mini convention, implementing the new vertical format for the first time this past year. The NEKSMEA Board met in June and discussed any changes that needed to be made for another successful mini convention this December. We have one unified entry deadline for all groups and age levels, set for October 15, 2010. Additional ideas were shared to discuss continuing ways to increase attendance at the fall meeting and miniconvention in December. Finally, we are happy to announce that his spring we elected a new president-elect, Chad Coughlin, band director at Olathe South High School.

During the June board meeting the NEKMEA board discussed the calendar for the remainder of 2010 and how current website information was key for all teachers. A deadline was set for July 30<sup>th</sup> for board members to have updated information for the website about their clinicians, audition times, and other general information necessary for the beginning of the school year.

The Northeast District has had a very good 2009-2010 school year. We look forward to an even better 2010-2011.

Respectfully submitted, Laura VanLeeuwen Northeast District KMEA President



# Southeast District President Ray Essington

The SE KMEA Board met on Friday, June 11 in Chanute. District Board members present were: Ray Essington, President, Gae Phillips, President-Elect/Mentoring Chair, Russ Vallier, HS Choral Chair, Faye Millen, Orchestra Chair, Larry Lillard, HS Band Chair, Pam McDaniel, MS Choral Chair, Jeff Russell, MS Band Chair, Allison Russell, Elementary Chair, and Gary McCarty, SE District Manager.

### **Financial Report**

Gary McCarty shared a detailed financial report. SE District is in excellent fiscal condition.

### Clinicians have been tentatively secured, pending contracts, for:

Elementary Honor Choral event in January, Middle School Honor Band event in January, HS Honor Choir event in December, HS Honor Jazz event in December, HS Honor Orchestra event in December.

### Dates for 2010-2011 events are:

- Friday, October 15 deadline to submit online applications for KMEA district and state honor groups
- Saturday, November 6 KMEA auditions (host school TBA)
- Thursday, December 2 District Honor Jazz Band Day and Concert at Pittsburg
- Saturday, December 4 HS District Honor Band, Choir, and Orchestra at Altamont
- Saturday, January 15, 2011 Elementary and Middle Level District Honor Groups at Ft. Scott

### Fees for events are:

November auditions - \$4 per student December Honor Groups - \$5 per student January Honor Groups - \$4 per student Admission to December Concert - \$3 for adults, \$1 for students

### **Items discussed included:**

- New teacher workshop at Columbus High School September
- Update of new music teachers in SEK
- Change in choral audition procedures
- Honor administrator nominees
- Outstanding Educator nominees
- New KSHSAA policies regarding intelligent accompaniment and adult non-piano accompanists

Respectfully submitted, Ray Essington



# North Central District President Quentin Breese

### **District Events 2010 – 2011**

August 25 – Downbeat Session (Manhattan)

October 15 – HS Honor Group Audition Entries & Fees Due/Middle Level Honor Group Entries Due

November 5 – Orchestra Tapes & Fees Due

November 6 – District HS Honor Group Auditions Junction City High School (As in the past)

November 20 – Elementary Honor Choir Entries & Fees Due

December 4 – HS Mini-Convention at **Junction City** *Middle* **School** (**Note the New Location**)

Middle Level & HS Participation Fees Due

January 15 – Middle Level Band & Choir (Junction City Middle School)

February 5 – Elementary Honor Choir (Junction City Middle School)

### Congratulations to the following North Central KMEA Music Educators!!!

- Congratulations to **Lindsey Ladman (Lakewood Middle School, Salina)** and her sponsorship for this year's MENC Tri-M chapter of the Year.
- Congratulations to **Lindsey Ladman** (**Lakewood Middle School, Salina**) for being recognized as this year's KASTA Outstanding Young String Teacher
- Congratulations to **Darren Brooks** (Salina South Middle School) for being recognized as this year's KBA Outstanding Young Bandmaster

### **North Central District Board Meeting**

The North Central District Board met on July 20, 2010 in Salina to discuss old business, new ideas, and make plans for the coming school year.

The following issues were discussed:

- Financial Report: The North Central District continues to be financially solvent. The deadlines and penalties for late fees continue to help us maintain our positive financial situation. We reviewed our financial portfolio and decided to renew our scholarship CD rather than to pursue another endowment as we have been able to pay our scholarship obligations through our checking and savings account dollars.
- Moving the High School Mini Convention to Junction City Middle School Due to the Construction at Manhattan High School
- Chairs will have information concerning honor group auditions and other pertinent information to the district webmaster and the president by August 1st. The goal is to have the website updated before school starts.
- Information needed to be covered at our annual Downbeat Session on August 25
- Late resignation of our Middle Level Band Chair Elect due to a position change to another District. Scott Bley of Lakewood Middle School has been appointed by our NCKMEA Executive Board to replace Adam Keller. Scott agreed to serve as our chair elect and assist Tobias with this year's clinic preparation



- Lacey Burton (now Ford) got married this summer and resigned her position in Rock Creek to take a position in Topeka, however will remain our Middle School Vocal Chair for our district.
- Moving the High School December Mini Convention to Junction City Middle School Due to the Construction at Manhattan High School

Quentin Breese President	Matt Bradford Vice President	Scott Bradley President Elect	<b>Lisa Berggren</b> Executive Secretary
Jared Rawlings HS Band Chair Elect December 10 HS Band Chair-Elect	Chad Pape HS Choir Chair Elect December 10 HS Choir Chair-Elect	Melinda Flohr HS Orchestra Chair Elect December 10 HS Orchestra Chair-Elect	Darren Brooks HS Jazz Chair Elect December 10 HS Jazz Chair- Elect
Tobias Wood MS Band Chair Scott Bley MS Band Chair-Elect	Lacey Burton MS Choir Chair Amelia Hancock MS Choir Chair-Elect	Janet Armstead ES Choir Chair Marcia Hermsch ES Choir Chair-Elect	Gayle McMillan Advocacy Chair

**Troy Johnson** 

Webmaster

Respectfully Submitted, Quentin Breese KMEA NC President

Kris Brenzikofer

Mentor Chair



# South Central District President Scott Hay

Dates for 2010

- Oct 23 Elementary Honor Choir Clinic and performance Sterling (Deadline Oct 1) Clinician - Janie Brokenicky
- Nov 6 MS Honor Band & Choir performance Andover Central (deadlines band/Sept 13, choir/Sept 27). Clinician (band) Jeff Jordan. Clinician (choir) Matt Huth
- Nov 6 HS District Jazz Band performances Andover Central (Audition Oct 6, deadline Sept 29). Clinician (1234A) James Pisano. Clinician (56A) Lisa Hittle
- Nov 6 HS Band, Choir & Orchestra District auditions Andover Central (deadline Band/Orch Oct 8, Choir Oct 15)
- Dec 4 District Mini Conventions HS Honor Group Performances Women's & Mixed Choirs @ Andover Central, 1234A & 56A Bands, Orchestra @ Maize (auditions Nov 6) Clinician (1234A Band) Scott Fuchs Clinician (5A Band) Scott Luberoff Clinician (Womens & Mixed Choirs) Julie Yu & Josh Oppenheim Clinician (Orchestra) Douglass Droste
- A SCKMEA Website is up and running with the information for Fall of 2010
- B 2<sup>nd</sup> year for SCKMEA Scholarship. Applications are to be postmarked one week before auditions. Applications cannot be brought on the day of auditions this year.
- C Pres Elect nominations due Sept 1 (on line), SCKMEA board will narrow nominations at Sept meeting, voting will be done on line with Mon Nov 8 as the voting deadline.
- D SCKMEA Outstanding Teacher nominations are online/email again this year and are due by Sept 1. SCKMEA Board will make the final decision on recipients at Sept Board Mtg.
- E Biggest hurdle for 2010/2011 will be NOT having Dec Mini Convention at one central location.
- F Next meeting Sept 11 at Senseney Music.

Scott Hay SCKMEA President



# Northwest District President Randy Berls

Greetings again from the Northwest District!

We had our NW KMEA board meeting on June 24<sup>th</sup> in Colby, KS. All clinicians have been secured for our upcoming conventions. We have tweaked our schedule for the December mini convention to accommodate the NW/SW district string orchestra. We will try this new schedule and adjust as needed. Financially, we are in good shape.

Respectfully Submitted, Randy Berls



# Southwest District President Erika Clausing

### **Greetings from Southwest Kansas!**

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### **SW KMEA WEBMASTER**

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The Southwest district board held its summer meeting on June 8<sup>th</sup> at Dodge City High School, and key items discussed include the following:

- -State Instrumental Live Auditions-registration, participation of directors, and contingency date
- -Submissions for Honor Administrator and Outstanding Music Educators
- -Addition of the High School Honor Orchestra-Dec. 2009
- -Clinicians for Honor Groups 2010-2011
- -Advocacy recordings

### **Dates for 2010-2011**

- Sept. 16 Middle School Choir Roster Deadline
- Sept. 30 HS Jazz Audition Tapes & Nomination Forms Deadline
- Oct. 7 MS Band Roster & Audition Tapes Deadline
- Oct. 15 HS Band, Choir & Orchestra Roster Deadline
- Oct. 21 HS Band Audition Tapes Due (if mailed)
- Nov. 6 HS Band Audition Tapes Due (*if hand-delivered*) and judged; HS Choir Live Auditions; MS Band, MS Choir, & HS Jazz Festival
- Nov.11 Elementary Choir Roster Deadline
- Dec. 4 HS Band, HS Choir & HS Orchestra Festival (Host site: Dodge City High School)
- Jan. 8 HS Band, Jazz, & Orchestra Live Auditions (Host site: Salina Central)
- Jan. 15 Contingency Date for HS Band, Jazz, & Orchestra Live Auditions
- Jan. 22 Elementary Choir Festival (Host site: Dodge City Middle School)
- Mar. 1 District Fee Deadline without penalty -Unpaid fees beyond date will incur a \$50 fine

Respectfully Submitted,

Erika Clausing Southwest District President



# CMENC President Mary Rose Biltz

### **CMENC June Board Meeting**

- Held state board meeting June 5<sup>th</sup> at Friends University. This was the first meeting with an electronic board book, and I'm happy to say chapter representatives easily and willingly accepted this change!
- Discussed promoting interaction of CMENC members at KMEA.
- Collected ideas for revisions to the Chapter of the Year award
- Gathered updated officer information from the six schools present

### **KCOMTEP**

- Communicated with advisor, Robin Liston, regarding speaker, clinics, and social activity
- Planned Sunday night 'mixer' with Vice President, Scott Ireland. This will be similar to last year's event, including ice cream sundaes and board games
- Planned panels for both underclassmen and upperclassmen. The underclassmen panel
  will discuss the final years of a music education degree, including methods classes,
  student teaching, upper level theory, and recitals. The upperclassmen panel will be
  similar to years past with a group of first year teachers discussing their classroom
  experiences.

### **Other Activities**

- Wrote KMR article
- Updated the CMENC Website
- Made revisions to CMENC Chapter of the Year Award and posted them to the forum section of the KMEA website for examination and discussion.
- Began booking 'bloggers' for a monthly blog that will be on the KMEA website, beginning in August
- Attended the SW MENC meeting with Vice President, Scott Ireland and advised the board on incorporating CMENC at the Symposium in June. I had a wonderful time meeting the MEA leadership in the surrounding states and the MENC executive director, Michael Butera

-A special thank you to Dr. Taylor, Mike, and Craig for taking me to Dallas. It was an experience I will not soon forget!



### **Kansas CMENC Chapter of the Year Award**

Presented by the Kansas Music Educators Association and the State Chapter of Kansas CMENC.

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Kansas CMENC Chapter of the Year Award is to recognize the successful activities of CMENC chapters in Kansas. The award is presented annually and is based on a chapter's outstanding leadership, activity, and its significant contributions to music education at their school, in their community, and across the state.

Deadline: Kansas CMENC Chapter of the Year applications and materials must be <u>postmarked</u> by February 1, 2011. Please mail your application and materials to:

Dr. Robin Liston Baker University P.O. Box 65 Baldwin City, KS 66006

### **Requirements:**

- 1. The advisor must be an active member of MENC and KMEA.
- 2. The chapter must be registered as "active" with MENC.
- 3. The chapter must have a representative serving on the Kansas CMENC State Board, attending at least 2 of the 3 board meetings.

### **CHAPTER INFORMATION**

School Name:	*	Chapter #:
Address:		
City:	State: <u>KS</u> Zip:	
Advisor Name:	Office Phone:	
Advisor E-mail:		
Chapter President:	E-ma	il:
Chapter Representative:	E-ma	iil:
**Chapter Enrollment:		
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By signing below, I verify that I provided is true.	am a current member of MENC and KMEA	A and that all information
Chapter Advisor	Chapter President	Chapter Representative



### **INSTRUCTIONS- Chapter of the Year Award Application**

To be eligible for the Kansas CMENC Chapter of the Year Award, chapters must submit a description of events held during the year that demonstrate their outstanding leadership, activity, and contributions to music education.

Along with the completed application, each applicant must submit a report of no more than 500 words and 3 letters of recommendation (see details below)

### Report:

Please type a report in a professional format of your choice. This report should highlight your chapter's activities, professional development, publicity/awards, and any other miscellaneous projects. This report may include any of (but is not limited to) the following:

### Chapter Activities

- 1. Hold Chapter Meetings with Guest Speakers or Another Organization
- 2. Hold Chapter Meetings with Another College
- 3. National Anthem Project Activity
- 4. Music in our Schools Month Activity
- 5. Organize a Musical Concert/Recital
- 6. Chapter Service Project(s)
- 7. Work with/Start a Tri-M Chapter
- 8. Special Recruitment Activity
- 9. Other Activities

### Professional Development

- 1. Percentage of chapter members attending KCOMTEP
- 2. Percentage of chapter members attending KMEA
- 3. Attendance of SWMENC Division Conference/ MENC National Conference

### Publicity and Awards

- 1. A member receiving the Bob Hollowell Scholarship
- 2. Article/Story Featured in KMEA/MENC Publication:
- 3. Article/Story Featured in School Newspaper:
- 4. MENC Chapter Growth Award:.

### Letters of Recommendation:

Please enclose three letters of recommendation from any persons who can attest to your chapter's involvement in community, school, MENC, etc.

### These three people could be:

- 1. A faculty member
- 2. The Dean or Chair of Fine Arts
- 3. A public school administrator or teacher in a school where your chapter has been active
- 4. A community member who can attest to your members' service
- 5. A State CMENC Officer
- 6. A guest speaker your chapter communicated with



7. A student activities sponsor on your campus These letters shall be one page and must also be submitted by February 1, 2011 to Dr. Robin Liston.

Applications will be reviewed using a six-person panel. Upon reviewing each applicant's report and letters of recommendation, the panel will select one chapter for the CMENC Chapter of the Year Award. Any judge(s) whose chapters have submitted an application for the award will not be permitted to adjudicate on the panel.

### 2010-2011 Kansas CMENC Chapter of the Year Adjudication Panel:

Mike Quilling, President—Kansas Music Educators Association
Jean Ney, Vice-President—Kansas Music Educators Association
John Taylor, Executive Director—Kansas Music Educators Association
Melissa Woodworth, State Past-President—Kansas CMENC
John Huber, State Co-Advisor—Kansas CMENC
Robin Liston, State Co-Advisor—Kansas CMENC



# Web & Technology Manager Troy Johnson

Since my last report the following has been completed:

- 1. Began creation of new section "KMEA State Festival Manager" which is a database platform for state festival group data (students, directors, auditions, etc).
- 2. Edited various email aliases
- 3. Launched new NW district website (ksmea.org/nw)

From my June 2010 report I stated the following goals for the 2010-11 school year. Here is an update on their progress:

Convert all database files to the MySQL platform in order to allow for faster form launches as
well as improved integration between different areas of the website. As an example of how
KMEA members would benefit from this upgrade, the State Festival Group registration form
would no longer require the director to re-enter all of a student's personal information every
year. The director would only need to enter it once and then it could be re-used each year
after that.

Development has started and is in progress. The mySQL database platform for state festival groups is in progress. I've taken student data from 2009-2010 and imported it so as to provide directors with a starting point in 2010-2011 (they don't have to re-enter all their students info again).

- 2. Convert all internal pages to a new framework similar in appearance to the Home page. **In progress. This will be a long-term project.**
- 3. Collate all administrative Data Viewers into a single interface (Admin Area).

  Admin Data Viewers for State Festival Groups (HS choir, HS jazz, HS band, HS orchestra) will be included in the SFG Manager application.

I propose the elimination of individual email confirmation messages normally sent by the web server upon completion of each festival group audition registration. With the advent of the online Data Viewers, as well as the development of the State Festival Group Manager application, individual email confirmation is unnecessary and merely adds to the workload. Directors will be able to receive instant on-screen confirmation of their audition entries at the time the entry is made. During the course of a school year the web server would send out approximately 20,000 email confirmation messages. This has caused us sporadic problems with our web host as they have on two occasions red-flagged us for potential spamming activities.

Respectfully submitted,

**Troy Johnson** 

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KMEA Web & Technology Manager



# Kansas Choral Directors Association Greg Bontrager

Even with the struggling economy, our KCDA convention attendance exceeded all expectations. We surpassed past registration numbers with 172 registered members. On Friday, we served close to 200 people at our Exhibitors Luncheon. Attendance was a major concern for our board members so we were pleasantly surprised.

We started the convention with a motivational session by Anton Armstrong; Body, Mind, Spirit, Voice – Our calling as music educators. This was a much-needed boost for our group as we advocate for our programs.

This year we added interest sessions on Thursday and Friday using our own membership's talents. Sessions included: Smart Music; Solo Literature for the middle school and high school singer; Programming around a Theme; Choosing the right contest music for your choir; Recruiting Boys; Music Literacy; Church Choir: Let's Talk!; Love and Logic in the classroom; Rehearsal Techniques and Student Leadership; and Technology in the choral classroom.

David Childs shared his studies on the changing voice and rehearsal techniques. A highlight was Anton and David's conducting master class using our Young Director Nominees, Chris Shaw, Nick Engle, Kevin Croker and Janie Brokeniky, directing, while our Board Members formed the clinic choir. David and Anton worked with the young directors, giving each specifics to build on their conducting skills.

Key to all KCDA Conventions is the reading sessions. This year we had nine sessions, with two of those being split between elementary/junior high & high school/college and Small School Festival & Large School Festival.

Thursday evening's Exhibitor's Open House began with an amazing performance by international award winners, Three Men and A Melody, a Barbershop Quartet based in Kansas City. They shared great music and many laughs!

The luncheon on Friday included announcing Janie Brokeniky as our Outstanding Young Director recipient and introducing the exhibitors. Saturday we honored Vern Zielke with the Harry Robert Wilson Award. This is the award given by KCDA as a lifetime achievement award. Vern's two sons, Greg and Steve, shared stories of growing up with their Dad as their music teacher and his influence as they both became music educators.

We had the pleasure of welcoming Carol Krueger to Kansas as our State KCDA Women's Honor Choir director but more importantly, as a colleague. She will be taking over the Choral Program at Emporia State University. The concert on Friday was held at the Grace Episcopal Cathedral and featured the State Honor Choir and Musica Vocale, a 32-voice choir from the Kansas City area. Saturday, Carol shared with us her energetic, hands on approach to music literacy.

I believe that KCDA is bringing many wonderful opportunities to our Kansas Directors and our convention was a great way to propel us into the 2010-2011 school year. I am also pleased that



we are growing as an organization by bringing in new teachers. Through this we have developed mentor relationships as they begin their teaching careers.

KCDA members are looking forward to the 2011 KMEA convention, as Paul Caldwell will direct the KCDA All State Treble Choir.

On behalf of the KCDA Board, I would like to extend my appreciation for KMEA's effort in helping pass the KSHSAA Non-piano Accompanist Proposal. We also appreciate KCDA and KMEA's continued relationship building quality music education in our state.



### Kansas Bandmasters Association Marion Roberts

The Kansas Bandmasters convention was held July 14, 15, 16 and 17<sup>th</sup> at the Wichita Marriott. Guests clinicians included James Barner, Scott and Mary Watson, Charles Robinson, Dori Waggoner, Daniel Kirk, Jeff Jordan, Robert Foster, Allan Comstock, Diana Webster, Doug Auwater and Ellen Kerr. Ensemble performances by The Wichita Jazz Friends Community Band, Kansas City Youth Jazz Band with Leon Brady, Mid-Continent Band with Don Farthing and the state required list reading band. The Phi Beta Mu-Kansas Bandmasters Association Outstanding Contributor is Ron Allen, Outstanding Young Band Director is Darren Brooks and the Outstanding Bandmaster is Marion Roberts. Respect and reflection were demonstrated to departed members Jeff Hodapp, Steve Ambler and Dave Stuewe. The 2011 Convention will be held at the Wichita Marriott on July 13-16<sup>th</sup>

Additions and changes to the KBA Board are Erin Shelton Recording Secretary, Justin Love Webmaster and Ryan Nichols as Southeast District Representative. Jim Mareda as the new KMMA representative, Jeff Jordan College and University Representative and Jim Pisano as the new Jazz Representative

The KBA board and membership asks KMEA to once again discuss and consider reinstating Sight-Reading at the state large ensemble festival. Membership also asks that adjudicators become involved in becoming familiar with the new rubric format of evaluation and have a shared dialogue with directors regarding expectations during the evaluation. These opportunities could be provided at KMEA, KBA and other in-service events.

We also want to express the appreciation of the hard work and dedication of Randy Fillmore, Ray Linville and Greg Berman.

Respectfully submitted

Marion Roberts President, Kansas Bandmasters Association

New Board Members emails: Ryan Nichols Rnichols@usd346.org Jayhawk-Linn 1608 s eddy Ft. Scott, Kansas 66701



# Kansas American String Teachers Association Kathleen McCullough

Board book report for KASTA August, 2010

The KASTA board met on July 1 at Emporia High School. The board voted to study other opportunities for summer workshops to attend rather than sponsor our own. Higher costs, lack of participation, and amount of time to plan the workshops were cited. A committee, chaired by Rebecca Tast will be appointed to research alternatives. In addition KASTA is recommending withdrawal of financial support for String Romp beginning in 2011 due to costs and opportunities for students to participate in similar experiences nearby.

A committee chaired by Rebecca Meis will meet to review the current bylaws and suggest any changes that are needed.

Rebecca Tast will work on ideas to host the college students and new teachers who teach strings in an informal Q & A session at KMEA

Ken Hakoda presented the remodeled web site for review. Rebecca Tast will be the newsletter editor. Rebecca Meis will serve as membership chair. She will compile a list of all strings teachers in Kansas including public school and private studio strings teachers. This will facilitate invitations to join ASTA and KASTA, getting out pertinent information, and finding opportunities for KASTA to serve more teachers in the state.

Matt Means from FHSU will chair the State solo competition. Kansas finalist's recordings will be chosen to send to the National ASTA competition. The final round of the national competition will be held in Kansas City in March at the ASTA Conference.

Ken Hakoda will coordinate the choice of students for the national convention in March. We have been asked to work with MOASTA to find students for the Master classes from both high school and university level for violin, viola, cello, bass, chamber music, guitar and harp.

The national ASTA conference will be held in Kansas City in March and the board voted to supply packets of Sunflower seeds for planting to the other state presidents as a welcome from KASTA. Karen McGhee-Hensel will collect items for the "state basket" that will be auctioned at the conference.

Other discussions included budget planning, ideas for the February ISW, virtual meetings using a web based service, and ideas for encouraging strings teachers to join ASTA.

Jeremy Starr, ESU, has agreed to chair the KMEA Intercollegiate orchestra project. He has contacted Norman Gamboa and will use the groundwork Norman had completed. The KASTA board voted to financially back the project.

Thanks to Karen McGhee-Hensel for agreeing to attend the KMEA board meeting in place of president Kathleen McCullough.



# **Kodaly Music Educators of Kansas Judy Mareda**

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KMEK will be hosting a Fall workshop, "Assessments for the Music Classroom" by Sue Leithold - Bowcock, on September 18th, 2010. Watch our web site for the time and place. Sue comes from Owatoona, MN and has held the office of National OAKE President.

We are very excited that Jo Kirk, who teaches Level 1 certification at WSU, will be the Thursday clinician for this Feburarys Elementary KMEA workshop. We know this will introduce more Kansans to the Kodaly method and inspire them to work towards their Kodaly certification.

Our new officers are President, Judy Mareda; President-elect, Hannah Northerns; Past President, Lisa Simmelink; Treasurer, Cindy Anderson; and Secretary, Rose Melton.

Judy Mareda, KMEK President



# Kansas Orff Chapter Vicky Artzer

The Kansas Orff Chapter, along with Baker University, had ten music teachers in the Orff Level II certification course this summer from July 12 -23. Instructors included national presenter and MTSU instructor, Marilyn Wood, along with our local Jennifer Donovan and Greg Gooden. During the 2010 – 2011 school year, KOC will host three workshops. Our first workshop will be presented by Brian Burnett on July 30 – 31 at Clear Creek Elementary in Shawnee, KS. The title for this workshop is "Assessment for Learning in the Music Class". On October 16, the KOC workshop will be in Salina, with clinician Kim Bejot. Finally, on January 22, 2011, Beth Nelson will present a workshop in Topeka. All of our workshops are given by national presenters over a range of different topics for elementary music teachers. Currently we have presenters booked through 2013. This year, KOC, is adding a mentor focus to our workshops. We will be encouraging teachers that are highly proficient in the Orff process to pair up with those who are either new to the process or the chapter. Through the mentoring program, we hope to provide an immediate resource for these teachers. Each year, KOC gives back to our members by providing a scholarship to the national convention. This scholarship pays for the registration fee for someone who has never attended national. The National AOSA workshop will be held in Spokane, WA on November 3-6. Members also have the opportunity of winning a free workshop or free national membership as part of the door prizes offered at workshops. For more information on our chapter or to register for a workshop please visit our website at www.kansasorff.org. For more information on the American Orff-Schulwerk Association please visit www.aosa.org.

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