

**Kansas Music Educators Association  
Board Meeting  
June 6, 2009  
Friends University, Fine Arts Building  
8:00 A.M.-11:30 A.M.**

**Call to Order**

President Mike Quilling called the 2009 Kansas Music Educators Association Board Meeting to order. Rachel Dirks moved to approve the Agenda as written. Scott Hays seconded. Mike welcomed everyone present to today's board meeting.

**Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from the board meeting were reviewed by all present. The following changes were recommended:

- Page 9: 2009 Festival Choir Director will be changed to 2010 Festival Choir Director
- Page 9: Dr. Craig Miller will be changed to Dr. Craig Gray.
- Page 11: Official Complaint follow-up will be changed from No motion needed to Tabled until the June 2009 Board Meeting.

Rachel Dirks moved to accept the minutes with changes. Matt Bradford seconded the motion.

FOLLOW UP: The minutes are available to view on the KSMEA website.

**Introductions**

President Mike Quilling introduced and welcomed the following District Presidents:

Rachel Dirks, NE District President  
Gary McCarty, SE District President  
Matt Bradford, NC District President  
Mike Connell, SC District President  
Craig Manteuffel, NW District President  
Kelly Knedler, SW District President

**Announcements**

- The Board E-book is available at [www.ksmea.org/boardbook](http://www.ksmea.org/boardbook). Please read all reports in full.
- Eligible voters for any official business/motions at this meeting will be the Executive Counsel and current District Presidents.

### Upcoming Events

- MENC Southwest Division Symposium will be June 15-17 in Dallas, TX. President Mike Quilling noted that the MENC Symposium Planner is Ron Chronister, formally the Southwest Division President. There will be increased attendance from Kansas this year including President Mike Quilling, Vice President Jean Ney, Tri-M Chair Shawn Henderson, and Executive Director John Taylor. FOLLOW UP: More information is available on the Texas Music Educators Conference website: [tmecc.org](http://tmecc.org)
- MENC "Music Education Week in Washington" will be June 17-23 in Washington DC. President Mike Quilling, Craig Manteuffel and John Taylor will attend. They plan to meet with Kansas Senators/Congressmen and the new Secretary of Education while there to discuss No Child Left Behind and keeping music in Core Content. Mrs. Kansas won the signature drive for MENC, and will be attending the meetings as well to present petitions supporting music education.

### Kansas Arts Commission Grants

John Taylor reported that KMEA has submitted a \$2000 Operations grant and an \$8000 Infrastructure grant to KAC. The notification will take place on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Part of the infrastructure grant will be used for a new advocacy website located at [www.musictoucheslives.com](http://www.musictoucheslives.com). John requested that Board Members visit this site before the August Board meeting.

### ISW 2010

- Barbara Geer, MENC President, will be a keynote speaker.
- US Air Force Falconaires are confirmed for the President's concert. President Mike Quilling has requested a small group to stay to provide clinics the next day.

### Reports

#### Executive Committee

- President Mike Quilling, Board Book page 16. Report stands as written. Mike noted that there is continuing discussion with KMEA leadership about securing hotel accommodations for ISW 2010-11.
- President-Elect Craig Manteuffel, Board Book page 17. Report stands as written. Craig thanked Mike, Jean and John for welcoming and assisting him this year. He also publicly thanked Troy for his improvements to the KMEA website.
- Vice President Jean Ney, Board Book page 18. Report stands as written. Jean noted that she is enjoying reintroducing herself to her friends and family.
- Executive Director John Taylor, Board Book page 19. Report stands as written. John reported that KMEA finished in good financial standing this year although investments were down slightly. John noted that District managers will be asked to bring their books for the district to the August meeting to be reviewed. Mike thanked John for bringing his experience/knowledge to this project.

### District Presidents

- **NE District**, Rachel Dirks, Board Book page 21. Report stands as written. Rachel noted that this was the second year for the district to have a two site festival.
- **SE District**, Ray Essington, Board Book page 22. Report stands as written. Ray noted several changes in staffing:
  - Gary McCarty will stay on as the Executive Secretary.
  - Troy Johnson will be the District Webmaster
  - Fay McMillian will be the Orchestra Chair.
- **NC District**, Matt Bradford, Board Book page 24. Report stands as written. Matt noted that registration forms and music cuts for 2009-2010 district auditions will be posted online to provide increased accessibility to students.
- **SC District**, Scott Hay presented his report orally. President Mike acknowledged that this was his error, not Scott's. Scott reported the following dates for 2009-2010:
  - October 24<sup>th</sup>: Elementary Honor choir Clinic and performance (Sterling)
  - November 7<sup>th</sup>: Middle School Band & Choir Performance (Andover Central)
  - November 7<sup>th</sup>: High School District Jazz Band performance (Andover Central)
  - November 7<sup>th</sup>: High School Band , Choir & Orchestra District auditions (Andover Central)
  - December 5<sup>th</sup>L District mini convention including High School Honor Group performances (Wichita State)

Scott noted the following information:

- Clinicians for all ensembles are set and literature is close to being finalized.
- Elementary performance info, Middle School performance info and High School audition information must be to SCKMEA Webmaster by July 1<sup>st</sup>. The information will be on the website by July 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Participation fee for Elementary Honor Choir was raised from \$5 to \$10. This has not been changed in 15 years.
- Postcards will be sent to all SCKMEA schools at the end of August with website information.
- Scholarship Application will be presented at the August Board Meeting for discussion and finalizing.
- President Elect voting and Outstanding teachers nominations were accomplished online and through e-mail this year.
- The next SCKMEA meeting will be August 15<sup>th</sup> at Senseney Music.
- **NW District**, Randy Berls, Board Book page 25. Randy updated his report verbally at the meeting. He announced the following changes:
  - July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5 PM will be the next board meeting.
  - Dr. Jeff Jordan will be the Mentoring Chair.
  - Jennifer Hull will be the Elementary Choir Chair.
- **SW District**, Kelly Knedler, Board Book page 27. Kelly updated his report verbally. He announced that July 21<sup>st</sup> summer board meeting will change to the 16<sup>th</sup> or the 18<sup>th</sup>. Kelly noted that Southwest District Board will be adding an Orchestra Representative, Wendy Mickey.

- **CMENC**, Melissa Woodworth, Board Book page 20. Report stands as written. Melissa noted that KCOMTEP dates may be changed. She also noted that CMENC is working closely with Chris Richmond to collect accurate e-mails from College graduates.

#### Affiliates

- **KCDA**, Johnny Matlock, Board Book page 30. Report stands as written.
- **KASTA**, Bruce Boyd. KASTA Summer Conference will be located at Baker University in July. More information is located on the KASTA website at Kasta.org. Bruce noted that they are considering discontinuing the printed newsletter in lieu of an electronic version. He thanked Jean and John for KMEA participation at the Conference this year.
- **KBA**, Marc Webster, Board Book page 29. No one was in attendance to present the report.
- **Kansas Orff**, Laura Krejci, Board Book page 31. Report stands as written. Laura noted that membership and attendance at workshops have increased over the past year. She encouraged KMEA members to visit the Kansas Orff website at ksorff.org for more information about upcoming workshops.

#### Staff

- **Website**, Troy Johnson, Board Book page 33. Report stands as written.
- **Festival Ensembles Chair**, Randy Fillmore announced the following festival chairs:
  - Craig Gray, Assistant HS 56A Band Chair
  - Larry Brownlee, Assistant HS1234A Band Chair
  - Dwayne Dunn, Assistant HS Choir Chair
  - Jef Bishop, Assistant HS Orchestra Chair
  - Deb Hill, Assistant MS Choir Chair
  - Holly Taylor, Assistant Elementary Chair
  - Mike Jones, Assistant Jazz Band Chair
- **Kansas Music Review**, Harold Popp, Robert E. Lee, Board Book page 32. Report stands as written.

#### Advisory

- **Recruiting & Retention Committee Co-Chair**, Chris Richmond, was commended by Mike and John for the committee's hard work this year. Chris highlighted the following points:
- All mentor chairs on board will make contact with each school district in their assigned area in order to produce a full e-mail list of all music teachers in Kansas.
- Each district will have a new music teacher workshop in the fall. These workshops will be funded through music stores and KMEA.
- New teacher online handbook is finished. A monthly newsletter will be sent to all new teachers.
- A Facebook account for KMEA Mentoring has been created to give new teachers easy access to information about mentoring. John recommended using this page to track student teachers.

### Old Business

- **Eligibility of freshman as State Festival Group members**  
This matter was tabled from the August 2008 Board meeting and the February 2009 Board Meeting. President Mike asked District Presidents to discuss with their members and report back along with the Festival Committee to the June 2010 Board meeting.  
FOLLOW UP: Tabled until the June 2010 Board Meeting.
- **Official complaint**  
An official complaint was made regarding non-listing of off-site receptions associated with the ISW in KMEA publications. This matter was tabled from the February 2009 Board Meeting. Kelly Knedler affirmed the present KMEA policy of not listing off-site events in the KMEA program.  
FOLLOW-UP: No Motion Needed.
- **KMEA Redistricting**  
This matter was tabled from the June 2008 meeting. President Mike will form a committee made up of him and past district presidents to make a recommendation. Voting will take place at that time.  
FOLLOW-UP: Tabled until committee is formed.
- **Unified registration date/time for State Festival Choir**  
This matter was tabled from the August 2008 Board meeting and the February 2009 Board meeting. Matt Bradford moved to create a unified registration date of October 15 (11:59:59 pm) for Statewide Festival Choir. Rachel Dirks seconded.  
FOLLOW-UP: Motion was passed.

### New Business

- **Changes to KMEA Bylaws and possible review**  
Mike charged Craig to review KMEA bylaws, with assistance as necessary from any KMEA Board Member. Craig will recommend changes at the June 2010 meeting.
- **Use of SmartMusic Accompaniments at KSHSAA Solo & Ensemble Contest.**  
Mike charged affiliate chairs/District Presidents to present the use of SmartMusic accompaniments at their individual meetings and report at the February meeting. There will be limited time for discussion, so issues will need to be brought to Mike's attention prior to the meeting.  
FOLLOW-UP: Tabled until the February 2010 Board Meeting.
- **Addition of Kodaly to the KMEA Board as an affiliate member**  
Scott Hay moved to accept the addition of Kodaly to the KMEA Board as an affiliate member. Ray Essington seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote. Mike Quilling warmly welcomed Kodaly to KMEA.  
FOLLOW-UP: Motion passed.
- **Review of Rotation Three of KMEA Wind/Strings audition music**  
Mike Quilling charged Randy Fillmore to review the rotation three of KMEA Wind/Strings audition music with his festival chairs. Randy will recommend and implement necessary changes.  
FOLLOW-UP: No Motion needed.

- **Auditions for chairs at the KMEA ISW for winds, percussion, and strings**  
Beginning with KMEA ISW 2010, all chairs for winds, percussion, and strings will be re audited the first day of rehearsal. This is an enforcement of current policy. Mike Quilling recommended that Randy Fillmore be directed to manage the change.  
FOLLOW-UP: No motion needed.
- **Increase fee for KMEA Statewide Festival Choir rehearsal CD's.**  
Mike Quilling charged KMEA High School Choir Chair Elise Peterson and KCDA President Johnny Mattlock to discuss this at the next KCDA convention and report back at the June 2010 Board Meeting.  
FOLLOW-UP: Tabled until June 2010.
- **Approval of KMEA strategic plan 2009-2010**  
Rachel Dirks moved to accept the 2009-2011 KMEA Strategic Plan with the revision of dates as necessary. The motion was amended to include that the President be allowed to amend the assignment of the committee members and the measure of the objectives. Randy Fillmore seconded both the motion and amendment.  
FOLLOW-UP: Motion and amendment passed.
- **Advertising KMR**  
Randy Berls moved to keep the advertising rates for KMR for the 2009-2010 year the same as the 2008-2009 year. Matt Bradford seconded.  
FOLLOW-UP: Motion passed.
- **State Large Ensemble Adjudication Form**  
Melissa moved to accept the recommendation of the Festival Group Committee, as presented by Dana Hamant, changes in the State Large Ensemble Adjudication Form. Kelly seconded.  
FOLLOW-UP: Motion passed.
- **KMEA Fund Committee**  
Fund Manager Gayle McMillian reported the possibility to join with the Greater Saline Community Foundation to fund scholarships and grants for KMEA. Ray Essington moved to create a five person committee entitled the "KMEA Fund Committee" which will consist of the KMEA executive council and the fund manager with the KMEA Vice President serving as chairperson. Melissa seconded.  
FOLLOW-UP: Motion passed.

### **Adjournment**

As there were no other issues brought before the Board at this time, President Mike Quilling adjourned the meeting at 11:30 AM.