

NEBRASKA SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

2016 MUSIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

May 23, 2016

Lincoln, Nebraska

The 2016 Nebraska School Activities Association (NSAA) Music Advisory Committee met on May 23, 2016 at the NSAA offices in Lincoln, Nebraska. Those present were the following:

District I - Jim Kucera, Waverly High School
District III – Chad Dean, O’Neill High School
District IV – Teresa Rotert, Hershey High School
District V—Dale Ritter, Alma High School
District VI – Sharon Hoffman, Bayard

NSAA – Dan Masters, NSAA Assistant Director
Cindy Callaway, NSAA Music Administrative Assistant

Those absent: District II – Doran Johnson, Omaha Westside High School

NSAA Assistant Director Dan Masters called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

The purpose of this 2016 NSAA District Music Coordinators Committee meeting was to evaluate the District Music Contests that were held April 18-23, 2016 and to plan for the 2017 Contests. Reports and discussion on the District Music Contests comprised most of the meeting.

The following were the major items reported on and discussed:

1. Reports from each of the NSAA District Music Coordinators - Overview of District Music Contests at each site:

Each of the District Coordinators expressed their appreciation to the contest host schools/colleges and to their administrators and professional staffs for hosting the 2016 events.

District I reported that all contests went well this year. Very happy with the facilities that were used this year.

District II spoke highly on the sites used for this year’s contests and mentioned that a couple sites expenditures ran high vs. receipts and will keep a close eye on that in the future.

District III Music Coordinator reported that things ran smoothly. A reminder was given to schools regarding the copyright laws.

District IV reported that all four sites were run effectively. There was discussion on the number of entries (solos vs. ensembles) and the amount of fees being charged to schools in each district.

District V reported of a smooth process for both sites, McCook and Southern Valley. No major concerns at this time.

District VI Music Coordinator reported that both sites, Alliance High School and Western Nebraska Community College in Scottsbluff ran smoothly.

Minor programming will be done to make the certificate process more smoothly for schools that co-op.

The increase time limit for Jazz Choir was well received.

2. **Financial Reports for each of the NSAA District Music Contest Sites.**
 - a. The 2016 financial report was reviewed and accepted by all districts.
3. **Planning for 2017, 2018 NSAA District Music Contests**
 - a. Coordinators submitted the extended sites for the 2017, 2018 and if possible 2019 district music contest sites.
 - b. Dan Masters reviewed Bylaw 7.5 to the committee and reminded them that it would be a good idea to find an assistant coordinator for their district, if possible.
 - c. Observations and entry/judges fees were discussed. It was also noted that there were fewer large ensembles in the larger schools.
4. **Bylaw 7.7.8.3**
 - a. Dan Masters reminded the committee that Bylaw 7.7.8.3 will go in affect the 2016-2017 school year.
 - b. The potential utilization of new titles related to the large ensemble groups was discussed.
5. **Other**
 - a. NFHS Adjudicator's Video. District Music Coordinators will view the video over the summer to determine its potential use with new adjudicators. The NSAA will review the potential of obtaining more information on the adjudicator's application form.
 - b. It was surmised that there was no need for tracking the percentage of awards given per district.
 - c. The NMEA March Article was discussed regarding district music contests.
 - d. It was decided by the committee that the Outstanding Performer Award reports be due the Monday following the district contest.
 - e. District Music Coordinators will e-mail Dan Masters by the end of January a list of the schools in their district and the site they will be attending. The NSAA will post this information on the website for schools, media and the general public to help promote district music.
 - f. Honorariums for site directors was discussed and each district coordinator shared the amount of payment they currently pay.
 - g. Technology. The NSAA will look to improve some of the programming used for the district music contest entries.

The next scheduled annual meeting of the NSAA District Music Advisory Committee has been set for Monday, May 22, 2017, 9:00am at the NSAA office in Lincoln, Nebraska.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.



Dan Masters, Assistant Director, Music