Minutes, January 26, 2008 Sr. Clinic

The meeting was called to order shortly after 9:30 a.m. by President Pete Rogers. Present were Anthony Terry, Mike Carter, Mark Harrell, Kathy Sotelo, Jim Hix, David Westrich, Kim White, Matt Gowan, Craig Valentine, Kevin Ross, Tim Michaels, Brandon Tilley, Andrew Bernard, Linda Smiddy, Dawn Patelke and Robert Cobb.

The minutes of the fall meeting at Calhoun's were read and approved.

The treasurer's report ensued. Along with discussing the financial report for 2007, Dawn reported on efforts to apply for non-profit status for TSSBDA. These include email and other conversations she has had with the Tennessee Secretary of State's office, IRS, Knoxville Teacher's Credit Union and Suntrust Bank about our financial documents and decisions both past and current, an accountant, Rick Carl, attorney, and Pete Hodges, Exec Secy of ETSBOA. Dawn reported that in order to satisfy IRS requirements for 501(c)4 application, we must have in our operating procedures both a statement of purpose and a dissolution of the association plan. Since the membership would be reviewing and amending the operating procedures for the IRS application, she requested that members present go through other discrepancies present in our procedures so that they could be updated to remove obscure language, reflect business as we do it today, and help anyone trying to run a future event with clear language as to our expectations.

As the updated "Operating Procedures of TSSBDA" will be presented to the membership in February at jr. clinic for their records, these will be quickly summarized.

The first item was the definition of the scholarship committee, with discussion of how to state it so that if someone is absent, the presiding officer can replace that person for the application procedure. Move for approval by Kathy Sotelo, second Andrew Bernard, Motion carried.

The Statement of Purpose and Dissolution Plan was read, amended, and reread. Move for approval by Kevin Ross, second by Craig Valentine, motion carried.

Definitions and Clarifications for Clinic Hosts were discussed and defined. Move for approval by Craig Valentine, second by Robert Cobb. Motion carried.

Discussion on deadlines for application for clinics, instrumentation concerns and refunds were discussed so that the secretary would have some leeway due to weather/illness concerns. Move for approval by Brandon Tilley, second by Tim Michaels, motion carried.

Discussion on changing responsibility for informing TSSBDA of the educational status of a student recipient from that person's high school director to the recipient themselves. Discussion on making sure monies will be disbursed to the educational institution, not the student. Motion for approval by Kathy Sotelo, second by Tim Michaels, motion carried.

Discussion on the schedule for Jr. Clinic, both in the date, which is not accurately listed in the operating procedures, and the actual daily schedule. This schedule had been lengthened a couple of years ago, with \$2 extra charged to the student for a snack meal, but the change had not been continued last year. It was decided to leave the operating procedures as they were as regards the daily schedule, and revert the student fee to the original \$20 listed in the operating procedures. Since this was what was printed, no change was needed, except for listing the proper date of Jr. clinic in the operating procedures, which was done by acclamation.

The operating procedures were amended to read that the documents will be kept on the TSSBDA website, and definitions of the Executive Secretary-Treasurer job will be added so as to clarify vague language so that in the future, the person holding that job will have a better understanding of the legal and technical responsibilities. Unfortunately by this point, everyone's eyes had glazed over, including the secretary's, and if there were motions, seconds or passages, she didn't record them.

At some point, Craig Valentine requested that the minutes reflect the association's appreciation for the secretary's efforts; Kevin Ross offered some more appropriate language regarding voracious laboring, and the loss of one's gluteus maximus. Dawn responded that she wished that were indeed true, and thanked the group for their comments.

With a breath of relief, we all proceeded to the clinic report. Dawn was unsure on the bottom line. She said 17 directors and 140 -something students had participated, and \$3140 had been or would be collected. *** The final count was 145 students, and after all checks were paid at a cost of \$3227.38, the clinic was in the red \$ -87.38, which is much better than the last 2-3 years. ***

Under old business, the site and clinicians for next year needed to be decided. John Gallagher agreed to host again. When nominations for clinicians began, Dawn mentioned that Chris Metcalfe should be commended for filling in for Steve Tinnel on such short notice as Red Band clinician (Thursday night before the clinic at 5:00 p.m).

At this point, (11:45) Dawn had to leave for Farragut High School for All-State Vocal Screening. Kim White graciously took over to finish the minutes.

Nominations were made for Blue Band Clinician:

Jared Spears (11 votes)
David Holsinger (12 votes, 12 votes on tie breaker)
Robert W. Smith (14 votes)
Richard Saucedo (8 votes)
David Shaffer (12 votes, 4 votes on tie breaker)

So, in order of contact, nominated for the 2009 Blue Band Clinician are: Robert W. Smith, David Holsinger, David Shaffer, Jared Spears

Nominations were then made for Red Band Clinician:

Doug Meade (12 votes) Ed Huckaby (8 votes) Craig Valentine (14 votes) Frank Grzych (3 votes) Mike Alverson (2 votes)

So, in order of contact, nominated for the 2009 Red Band Clinician are: Craig Valentine, Doug Meade, Ed Huckaby, Frank Grzych, Mike Alverson

After Pete Rogers called for any other business for the good of the association and none was heard, Craig Valentine made a motion to adjourn at 12:05. Pete Rogers seconded.

Respectfully submitted,