

Fall Meeting 2013 – September 7, 2013 at Connor’s Restaurant

Meeting was called to order by President Kevin Ross. Present were Andrew Bernard, Keila Brady, Jim Hix, Cole Hunt, Katrina Jolley, Kathy Lippo, Dawn Patelke, Steven Rodgers, Trish Rhoton, Dana Smith, Kathy Sotelo, Dana Smith, Carrie Tedder, Linda Trout, Keith Trout, Craig Valentine, David Westrich, Kim White.

Dawn is resigning as Secretary-Treasurer, but will be helping to wind up the financial details with the new Secretary-Treasurer, Kim White. To that end, she presented the minutes of the last meeting and a financial report.

Reports were accepted as presented: motion, Craig, Linda, accepted by acclamation.

Kevin gave an impromptu report on the summer board meeting. Financial concerns were discussed, how to increase our membership, etc.

Kevin asked Craig for a report on the Wall of Fame, and he discussed some possible recommendations and parameters for how we might select candidates. He asked for input from the group. Kevin explained that it would be similar to the honor offered by ETSBOA, though we might tweak small details. Kevin hoped to do as much detail work as possible today, as we don’t have another meeting soon. Steven Rodgers suggested an online survey instrument might be helpful for determining our interests. Kevin wanted to know if we were willing to let the committee decide the details? The consensus was yes so that it could be presented at jr. clinic.

Discussion of TSSBDA Calendar of Events 2013-2014

*Junior Clinic	Site TBA	January 24-25, 2014
General Meeting		2:00 p.m., January 25, 2014
Clinicians: Blue band, TBA, Red band, Chris Metcalfe		

We still need a site for Jr. Clinic. Dana is checking on Wartburg.

*Senior Clinic	Cocke County HS	February 21-22, 2014
General Meeting	Cocke County HS	2:00 p.m., 2-22-14
Clinicians: Sean Greene, Blue band; Kim White, Red band.		

*Concert Festival	Hiwassee College	Festival – April 26, 2014
Adjudicators: TBA		

Kevin wondered if the changes at ETSBOA would perhaps benefit our organization. Linda discussed that she thought it might be a chance for us to expand our reach. Kevin asked that we do a little personal recruiting, or to give a prospect’s name to Kevin, and he would personally contact them. Linda asked again about us emailing a document to our membership to help. Dawn said she had a document already in hand that she’d email to the membership. Linda made a motion that we adapt our bylaws to include student (collegiate) members free of charge. Kevin seconded. Kevin suggested that different members approach separate universities to reach students. Different folks volunteered to reach different departments. Voted on by acclamation.

Website update. David said we have the domain name, finalizing getting it on line, as it was supposed to be hosted at Roane County, and they’ve had some financial issues.

Old business concluded. Kevin asked for new business.

Concert Festival - Angie Merritt is the hold-over judge, Linda Trout asked about other judges. She suggested calling Jeff again, to make things better for the snafu this past spring. Linda reminded us that concert festival is open to everyone, even non-members. The Hiawassee auditorium restoration is well underway. Keith said that they have tried to leave the acoustics as it was, but new lighting, seats, are underway. The president of Hiawassee has expressed her growth plan and is really behind it all, she is personally a musician and so is her spouse.

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Motion to adjourn, Craig, Jim seconded.