

AVA All-State General Meeting Minutes

March 6, 2019

Samford University

Birmingham, AL

Meg called the meeting to order at 9:05am.

- Margaret Heron read minutes from AMEA 2019 General Meeting and minutes were approved with corrections. Ginny Coleman presented the financial report, which was accepted and will be filed for audit.

All-State

- Meg reported that the staggered meal times were a positive change in the schedule. Also, parking was easier and more accessible.
- Meg explained process of registration and necessity of directors to correctly spell names when typing their names on website. This excel list is used for everything from programs to nametags.
- Tickets and seating: Meg explained again the need for a physical ticket and questions were answered.
- Future All-State: Meg explained that Samford did not honor original dates confirmed for All-State 2020 so the Board is trying find another location. Meg asked for any ideas from the membership for locations for the event. ****Tentative dates:** March 5-7, 2020: David Childs-SATB, Amanda Quist-SSA, Eugene Rogers-TTBB, Daniel Gutierrez-MS Mixed, Cara Tasher-MS Treble
- *Accept'd:* Ginny explained the reason for looking into a video process audition. She discussed pros and cons of the video process. She informed the membership that the survey they submit regarding their opinions on this trial process will give the board organized feedback to further discuss this possible change.

ASSC

- Jane Powell gave history and background of ASSC and explained that originally, there was no requirement for ASSC students to be a member of All-State choir. She explained that once the requirement was put in place, the vocal ability of the choir was vastly better and the discipline issues were no longer a problem.
- Meg Rudolph questioned the purpose of ASSC and asked if this event fulfills this purpose. She suggested that the board define this purpose and revisit the current culture and school involvement. Tracy Fuller commented that her MS Mixed students were excited with the possibility of being a member of All-State and ASSC. Kathy Hughes recognized that the ASSC was added 20+ years ago when Show Choir was a new genre and not many states/schools had this event. Cameron Weiler suggested the requirement be removed and see if the attendance increases and if more students become involved.

Ginny Coleman made the following motion, seconded by David Pryor:

MOTION: Remove the requirement that "Students who audition and are selected for All-State Show Choir must also audition and be selected for an All-State Choir for the same school year in order to participate in All-State Show Choir."

Jody Powell called to question, seconded by Bradley Wilson. Ballot was passed out and membership voted.

Results of Vote: Abstained: 13
In Favor: 59
Opposed: 28

Motion passed.

Honor Choir

- Randall Fields discussed the change in the format for HC next year. It will be a Reading Choir where up to 2 balanced quartets, grade 9-12, from each school can attend. Music will be received on site to be learned and performed at the event.

SCPA & Sight Reading

- Meg explained the rubric was used to create the levels of sight reading, except for minor keys.

- This year, examples from years past that match the rubrics for each level will be used.
- Meg explained the new rule addition that a director can establish tonality within the 5-minute study period.

AMEA

- AMEA will be back in Montgomery and the board is trying to secure the Davis Theater for performances.
- Meg encouraged membership to apply to perform.
- Dr. Tim Seelig will be the clinician.

Fall Workshop & Misc.

- Huntingdon is not confirmed, but will hopefully be the location for 2019.
- Meg Rudolph encouraged membership to come to ACDA Summer Workshop at UA. Southern Division ACDA will be in Mobile. Submissions should be made so that our state is well represented.
- Meg Jones exhorted membership to submit any questions or concerns to be discussed at Summer Board. Membership is encouraged to voice their opinions and report any conflicts or concerns.

*Hilen Wilson moved for meeting to adjourn, seconded by Nichole Hill. Meeting adjourned at 10:15am