

YCMEA Meeting  
August 19, 2017  
Centennial Middle School

Members Present: Brown, Grimes, Fenske, Stroup, Ortega, J. Dallabetta, C. Wright, Kraus, Carlson, Coz, Hennig, Jenkins, Colson, R. Wright, Brown, Surguine, Ehler

Meeting called to order at 9:39 am

- Previous minutes approved
- Treasurer's Report: BLACK
  - If chairing a festival, please inform treasurer prior to event to make sure judges are paid at the event
  - Member dues are \$10 (changed to \$25 with a motion at the end of the meeting – CBROWN)

Old business:

- 5 scholarships awarded for summer music programs
- 1 scholarship was unused by a student who was unable to attend NAU program due to unforeseen circumstances.
- Motion to have scholarship held for student to use next year for Anisa Neerpat approved.

New Business:

- Tentative dates for 2017-2018
- October 7 - HS Marching Band Expo (location is tentative: either YHS or Cibola HS)
- December 2 – JH Honor Band Auditions (Melanie is co-chair; location is Crane MS)
- January 19 – Deadline for scholarship applications (audition dates are tentatively set for 2 weeks after S&E festival)
- February 2 & 3 – Festival of Excellence (tentatively at Woodard JHS)
- JH Honor Choir rehearsal times are tentative; directors need to pick their students to participate in the event; no caps on numbers
- Lauren Hennig will chair JH Honor Choir; Stroup will accompany
- January 19 & 20 – HS Honor Band & Choir (will be coordinated by HS choir directors)
- February 24 – Solo & Ensemble Festival @ Centennial MS (Brian Carlson is chairperson)
- March 20 – JH/SH Choir Festival @ GRHS (Brandon Stroup is chairperson)
- March 22 – Large Group Festival @ Cibola HS (Amanda Dallabetta is chairperson)
- May 3 – Elementary Honor Choir (Paula Ortega is chairperson; Stroup is accompanying; Jan Jackson is directing)
- May 10 & 11 – Desert Band Festival @ FAJH, Post & YHS
- May 12 – Celebration of Strings @ Cibola HS (Siobhan Jenkins is chairperson)

- Clinician will be chosen and paid for by YCMEA
  - Motion Approved: \$50 donation to Cibola HS Raider Band Boosters in memory of Gary Snyder
  - Contact Maggie Fenske to participate in benefit concert for Habitat for Humanity at Yuma Historic Theatre. Date is tentative. Solos, small ensembles and groups can participate. Please recommend students who are motivated to perform.
  - Stroup will talk to the Yuma Sun to initiate PR for YCMEA events
  - In dire need of part-time K-6 Reagan Elementary School music teacher in Crane district (2 full days/week; Thursday & Friday)
  - Non-profit status is at a stand still
  - Paula suggested to set aside funds yearly to achieve the goal of becoming a non-profit organization
  - Discussion to raise member dues for YCMEA to \$25 annually
  - Discussion to become an LLC as a stepping stone to applying for non-profit status
  - Motion to raise member dues to \$25 per person, with \$15 from each member's dues being earmarked to fund our application to become a non-profit organization. Motion was approved.
  - Email Steve Hennig at KAWC to promote your events! You can also email Candice Brown to share your event dates with YCMEA members
- Meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

Next meeting: November 8, 2017 @ 9:30 a.m. at Centennial MS