

SEIBA Meeting Minutes
SEIBA Honor Band Meeting - 2006
West High School Cafeteria
Iowa City, IA
Saturday, January 21, 2006

Call to Order

A. Meeting Called to Order by President Jane Triplett at 1:30 pm.
Asked for director's to introduce themselves to the group.

Secretary's Report

B. Minutes from July 26, 2005 meeting, remind membership to view them online.
Jane Triplett motion, Jim Bauden motion, Linda McConnell second, vote accepted

Treasurer's Report

C. Mary Anderson report. Balance as of 1/19/06 is \$13,621.00
Mileage debate
Ted Francis motion, Jim Edgeton second
Vote, report accepted

SEIBA Committee Reports

Mentorship - Dorothy, grant for mentorship, Leon Keener, mentorship going well

Membership - Steve Helscher, not present, Jane Triplett gave report in his place. 98 active members, 26 members retired in membership. shelscher@columbus.k12.ia.us

Honor Band - Nothing really to report. Discussion about calling delays and cancellation's for the honor band festival. Jane Triplett tried to get on WHO radio at 6 a.m., couldn't get on right away. Roads were bad this morning, so the decision was made to delay for 2 hours. Ideas to increase communication for weather: Jane leave message on voicemail at school, phone tree, SEIBA web site for delays (check whether you think the weather is good or not), etc.

www.bandmasters.org/users/seiba/; if we are on time and people leave before 6 am just expect to possible have people late if they are waiting for information.

Pete Wyatt: Why can't SEIBA have a password to put up an announcement? Put emergency info in the students folder (radio, web sites, tv, etc.).

Possibly a packet with schedule for the day and also the post schedule on the web page for director access.

Jim Edgeton: Are we allowing accepted All State students to audition for SEIBA?

Elementary/JH Solo & Ensemble Contest -

Washington, Grinnell, Davis County are the early date sites
New London, Central Lee, and Washington are the later date (feb. 18) sites
Separate ballot for percussion and piano, test for one year.
Blue ribbons (1 for all solo/ensemble events)
Red (Same)
Gold for individual 1+
Host sites March 15, 2006, contact John Klopp

Jazz Festival -

Mail Entrys for jazz to Rich Medd

JH Concert Band -

Tom McNamar, no report

High School Concert Band Festival -

HS Concert Band, Pam DeBoer, please get entry fees to Pam soon, if there aren't any more, festival may not happen due to lack of participation. If directors have input or entries to/for large group, please help. This is a great event, but without more bands, may not happen. (Note: Was cancelled this year due to lack of interest)

Major Landers Auditions -

Major Landers – Five Candidates, Mark Eveleth and Dave Newport judges, thanks,
Winners were:

First – Trombone, Bettendorf
Second – Percussionist, Pleasant Valley
Third – Elizabeth Hoium, Ottumwa

Elections/Public Relations -

End of February mailings for candidates, Active: Myron Welch, Retired: ?

IBA Committee Reports

Elementary Affairs -

Pamphlets for beginning band work, etc will be available. If directors have materials, share them and JoAnn will help distribute.
Ebay instruments and purchases, warn parents about instruments not to use, but be discreet/careful about naming specific brands companies

Junior High Affairs -

Folders for IBA participants, get from Kim after meeting, Steven Bullough? From Washington DC for IBA Director. District is paying for folders

Marching Band Affairs -

No Report

Jazz Affairs -

Interested in feedback regarding state jazz contest, no other report

Concert Band Affairs -

No Report

College Affairs -

No Report

Mentorship -

Leon, scholarship opportunity to pay for IBA weekend, contact Leon Keener or Dorothy Jacobi, would like to see all members go to IBA, this is a good experience all directors, but especially new directors

Research and Development/Historian -

Last year's results from the Junior High survey have been delayed due to a change in our committee chairman. As soon as all of the responses are transferred to our current chairman they will be available on-line in the near future. Currently posted are the Job Satisfaction survey results from 2003-2004. To access the surveys go to the IBA web page (www.bandmasters.org), click on the "Contacts" button, and scroll down to the Research & Development button which is listed under the Advisory Board heading.

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Barron

Student Affairs -

No Report

IBARD -

No Report

Public Relations -

No Report

Old Business

1. Concert Band: Things are not happening, why is it not working? What can we do to make this festival work and meet the director's needs? Do we need a committee together to figure out this event?
*Desmond: scheduling problem is the reason for not attending. Time of year is a problem. Show Choir, scheduling, etc
Derrick Murphy: transportation costs
2. What will help: First weekend in December? (all state follow-up, chance to work with college professors/judges), don't worry about music, just come with something.

Drew Anderson: There is not as much going on in December, maybe this would be a better time

3. Committee: Pam would head up committee
4. Pete Wyatt: primarily 3A/4A bands performing, we need to look at smaller schools, scheduling problems are very different for small schools than for big schools, work for happy medium
5. Talk to Jane Triplett or Pam DeBoer to help resolve situation

New Business

President Elect: John Klopp for next year in SEIBA

Ron Coberly – 40 years, retiring

Charles Prill - Retiring from West Liberty MS (**Correction made 5/15/2006**)

Job Openings for district: job openings in our area, etc will be posted on SEIBA web site, please forward them to Derrick Murphy. Jane will not mass e-mail these anymore. If you are not getting Janes e-mails, please talk to her to make sure all directors are receiving important information.

SEIBA Luncheon at IBA: 2006 luncheon will be held at Racoon River Brewery on Friday of IBA this year. Could have the old room at Fort Des Moines, but the change of venue is happening anyway. Payment for this will be the same as if it were held in the hotel.

Discussion of Mileage for judges: Last year the district paid .25 per mile State pays .34 per mile. For this year we are paying .30 per mile, executive decision was made for permanent payment change. Carmen second, for permanent change of mileage to .30 per mile. IHSMA at .34 per mile, we need to move closer.

Motion Passed to move mileage to .30 per mile.

Discussion about whether to Filter All-Staters from SEIBA Honor Band: should All Staters audition on the same instrument for SEIBA Honor Band? There is a gentleman's, unwritten, agreement to not audition All Staters for SEIBA on the same instrument.

Should this debate be put in writing? Small schools: small numbers, give kids **multiple** opportunities, Big schools – give **more** kids opportunities. Alternates – go ahead and audition for SEIBA.

Ed Ackerman – don't penalize a student for being good, if they want to play, let them. NW Iowa honor band auditions a couple weeks after all state, so material is fresh. Audition numbers declining, if you take out All Staters what will happen?

Pam DeBoer: Audition process/date change. Students taking too much time with material

Robb Medd – numbers declining, school numbers declining, possibly remove 15 student limit to help boost participation numbers, audition is good, it is good to work all state audition process. Some big schools have more they would like to bring, but can't because of limit.

Tara Dauer – students get a chance to work higher level material, good opportunity. Certain sections did not fill, especially low brass.

Mary Anderson – NCIBA send in names, certain number or a certain percentage of your total band enrollment, that way everyone gets their “fair share”, no one penalized. Options available.

Alex Mason: Are there too many big schools? It can be discouraging for small schools kids. This is not necessarily a problem, just a thought.

Robb Medd - Percentage of enrollment or 15 student maximum

Jim Edgeton – Look at number of people, scratches are about 40% for this year, that is way too many. Addition of numbers will increase length of audition day, or need more rooms.

*Motion by Robb Medd for 15 students or 10 percent of band enrollment for High School, whichever is greater, for audition numbers. The motion was seconded, by Pam De Boer. (Fifteen students or 10% of band enrollment for HS, still 15 max for MS auditions)

**Vote passed at 2:27 pm, try this for next year then bring back for discussion.

Jim Edgeton, move this performance weekend from large group speech students. 3A/4A speech conflicts are different than those of small schools.

Lee Rabe – Sixth Grade SEIBA Honor Band? Is there interest for something like this? There is one in CR, but not many available. There is interest. Talk to Lee Rabe about interest and give info about a possible SEIBA 6th Honor band. Mt. Pleasant also hosts one.

Adjournment

Move to adjourn at 2:30 pm by Pete Wyatt, Second Craig McLanahan

Respectfully submitted,

Alex Mason
SEIBA Secretary