

# OMEA Board of Control

Meeting Sept. 19, 2009

Minutes unedited

## **9:00 AM Called to order by Christopher Silva**

### Introductions and Welcome

#### Review of Minutes from 5/30/09

Motion to adopt minutes by Ben

Correction District was (?) was represented 5/30

Ben moves to adopt as amended

2<sup>nd</sup> by Marcie

Passed

#### Chair Reports

*District 1:* Not present

*District 2:* Reynolds district still in financial flux

*District 3:* Covering district festivals out of checkbook because many schools have no funds. Job losses were in the report.

*District 4:* Exciting In-service in the works at South Salem HS. Searching for ways to engage/involve smaller schools/districts.

*District 5:* Not present

*District 6:* Struggling to keep festivals alive with little money and much travel for schools. Shared written piece from Boston Conservatory.

*District 7:* Threats to most programs did not materialize

*District 8:* Most cuts were small parts of FTE, Talent lost Elementary teachers, and Medford lost two Elementary teachers. They created an unrealistic secondary position.

*District 9:* Not present

*District 10:* Lost all music in Elkton

*District 11:* Not present

*District 12:*

*District 13:* lost pcts Canby Oregon City

*District 14:* Many cuts rescinded. Most RIFS restored except a couple elementary schools. Newberg lost all extra duty contracts.

*District 15:* Beaverton shuffled but they did not have many cuts, Hillsboro had some cuts. Oct 9 Smart Music workshop.

#### President's Christopher Silva

Glowing reports on National Education Week in Washington D.C. he has always valued OMEA but the trip made him realize of value of MENC.

He pointed out the need to get eligibility policy online, due to the questions that he has received from parents and administrators, particularly Ashland

Reviewed and discussion of the request for redistricting proposal from Sherman County. Following discussion, it was decided that CS will review contest implications and make decision

Job loss survey results presented by CS

Discussion ensued

Teach how to speak to school board meeting

Tracy pointed out the need to stay closely involved with politics and advocate at state level

D4 chair mentioned Arne Duncan open letter to Superintendents

J&J will e-blast the letter

Steve Christensen suggested getting a music teachers involved w/OEA

Wendy A. "Power Standards" in music by reinforcing that we do teach to core curriculum standards.

JH promotes parent of budget committee

Ashland was saved by army of Parent emails VanManen; we do have teachers not teaching ot standards or POing their administrators – importance of relationships

Kimberly Kroeger "in our district it was the parents who brought the music teachers back" ; Has concerns with some of younger teachers don't go the extra mile without full pay for the time;

Lousie K. concurs

Chuck B. – importance of having music tchrs on every committee; parens saved Gresham and Sam Barlow this year

Brenda S. volunteer moer on committee less teaching to be proactive

Tracy watch for legislative recaps of last session from legislators. Points out that this is key time to contact these folks because they are NOT in session; get them involved in your concerts – announce programs etc

**Tracy exec committee report:**

Touts trip to DC; What we learn about our own state by talking with congressmen, ie stimulus money should have protected 'us' in Oregon Title II funds acces for Prof Dev; Transp. Cost 70% reimbursement; ; Things we did this summer – put \$40000 into CDs from Savings 90-day. For better return

Budget – Large discrepancies were explained both income and expense

CS says 2011 NW will be fabulous in content, facilities; Taking over from Nat'l was a good move.

Tracy reminds D chairs of the due treasury Reports

**2<sup>nd</sup> VP Lawson** No report other than conference is in progress

**1<sup>st</sup> vp Simmons**

Touts DC Trip; Insights into the whole legislative process, scope and size. Website was bigger than I thought – stepped out deferred to Tracy and J&J; impressed w/ tehgarage.net

Conference – all perf in the Hult this year; New a production manager at Hult – Jim Rusby. Because of Prod. Mge, Hult waived fee for Studio 1.

MS will be at Hilton;

El will be in Hult for general session

Holiday in will allow early checkin and luggage storage

Symp Band will check in and store luggage at Baptist Ch.

1<sup>st</sup> Christian Ch. Will allow feeding all MS groups, less than Hult

**ExecDirector Rpt**

See written

**OSAA rpt** not meeting until next wk

Discussion on effect of Eligibility rule hard on small schls,

Note new eligibility requirements again this year (Jennifer Muller)

Bolton, no report.

**Choral chair** Kroeger – adj. workshop in Wislonville; Updating choral lit. list; Choral judges want more baroque and renaissance music;

**Tom Muller** nothing new to report

**Collegiate** written

**CMENC** Trying to connect college chapters better. CME?NC Facebook page now exists, will be emailing all collegiate advisors. CS mentioned that

WMEA has different operating format involving CMENC mbs. In leadership training in the summer rather than 3 mtgs/year

**El. Honor choir** Please note voice change stipulation on website

**Small Schls** written rpt.

**Jazz chair** new at position, no report

**Business chair** Kato – no longer need \$150 fire permit; NAMM conv. Is same weekend this year; exhibitors disgruntled that there are no Hotel rms – Jeff will work on that.

Lunch

Afternoon breakout sessions, District chairs, Conference planning.