

Central Oklahoma Choral Directors Association

2017 Annual Business Meeting Minutes

I. Call to order

President Tami Lewis entertained a motion to call to order the annual business meeting of the Central Oklahoma Choral Directors Association at 9:55AM on October 30, 2017 at Southern Hills Baptist Church – Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Move to call to order: Amber Mash

Second: Amy Pitts

Motion carried

II. Members present

The following members were present at the business meeting (per sign-in sheet and observation*). See Appendix A

The following members were unable to attend the business meeting due to festival responsibilities elsewhere (per worker list**). See Appendix B

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Secretary/Treasurer Holly Pritchard read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Move to approve: Amy Pitts

Second: Bryan Young

Motion carried

IV. Approval of financial report

Secretary/Treasurer Jessica Cook presented the financial report. The financial report was approved as read.

Move to approve: Eric Hamilton

Second: Robert Cooper

Motion carried

V. Old Business

President Tami Lewis presented the following items of old business:

- A. For year 2017, no schools were charged a fee for late payment. Notification of payment to schools was discussed.

VI. New business

A. Proposals from COCDA Board regarding audition and participation fees:

Move to adjust audition fee from \$12 per student to \$10 per student, but keep participation fee at \$25 per student.

Motion: Stephania Abell

Second: Amber Mash

Motion carried

B. Set a permanent date for COCDA festival:

1. The day of the festival will always be two Tuesdays before first round all state auditions, which would mean that the 2018 festival would be on Oct. 16

Move to always hold the COCDA festival two Tuesdays before first round all state auditions

Motion: Shermie Potts

Second: Amber Mash

Motion failed

2. Suggestion: The day of the festival will always be the Tuesday after first round all state, as long as the day does not fall on Halloween

Move to always hold the COCDA festival on the Tuesday after first round all state auditions

Motion: Cristi Miller

Second: Stephania Abell

Motion Passed

C. Consider a cutoff date, after which changes to student audition times cannot be made

1. Ron Wallace suggested to Tami, prior to meeting, that the cutoff be three days before auditions, unless in case of emergency. That would mean the cutoff would be Wednesday at 5:00pm.

Move to make the cutoff date for audition changes Wednesday at 5:00pm

Motion: Amber Mash

Second: Shermie Potts

Motion carried

D. Discuss the need to elect new JH and HS chairs to begin shadowing in year 2018-2019 and chair year 2019-2020

1. Angie McKenna nominated Kelly Mills for JH chair
2. Jeanine Gully nominated Shermie Potts for HS chair

Move to approve Shermie Potts as HS chair

Motion: Amy Pitts
Second: Jacob Gonzales
Motion Carried

3. Discussion concerning the suggestion of electing two JH chairs, one for the mixed choir and one for the treble choir

Move to amend the bylaws to split the JH chair position to treble and mixed when there are two qualified candidates

Motion: Amy Pitts
Second: Angie McKenna
Motion Passed

Move to approve Kelly Mills and Angela Murphee as 2018-2019 shadows and leave it up to the board to decide who is assigned to which choir

Motion: Angie McKenna
Second: Jeana Wood
Motion Passed

E. Motion verbatim via email: I move that the COCDA board be given the flexibility and discretion to use non-certified individuals to fulfill any non-judging positions during auditions if needed and available.

1. Discussion regarding the concern that the policy of allowing substitutes, i.e. student teachers, should not generally be used in lieu of teachers working, as all teachers should be working, but should only be used in case of emergency

Motion: Greg Johnson
Second: Kara Falen
Motion Passed

VII. Announcements

- A. President Tami Lewis reminded directors to not allow students to change into their concert attire in the church bathrooms
- B. Brief discussion about email, and the need for more frequent emails to keep directors up to date
- C. President Tami Lewis reminded and urged directors to submit suggestions for clinicians or any other pertinent suggestions about the auditions and festival

VIII. Adjournment

President Tami Lewis President Tami Lewis entertained a motion for adjournment

Motion: Cristi Miller

Second: Becky Horton

Meeting concluded

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Pritchard
Secretary

APPENDIX A

*The following members were present at the business meeting per sign-in sheet and observation. Not all members present signed in; some signatures were difficult to interpret. Those present whose name does not appear on list below may contact the COCDA Board to offer an amended list.

Abell, Stephania	Lewis, Tami
Bailey-Price, Sarah	Lindley, Rebecca
Bielich, Steveanne	Loomis, Rebecca
Bokemper, Sue	Mash, Amber
Blankenship, Erin	Matlock, Gina
Cook, Jessica	Miller, Cristi
Cooper, Robert	Mills, Kelly
Cowherd, Marla	Murphee, Angela
Dawson, Janis	Neighbors, Katie
Dennison, Malinda	Peters, Linda
Easley, Stephanie	Pitts, Amy
Falen, Kara	Pitts, Sarah
Fanning, Lauren	Potts, Shermie
Gass, Cynthia	Pritchard, Holly
Gilson, Laura	Simpson, Myles
Gully, Jeanine	Singleton, Mary Beth
Hamilton, Eric	Singleton, Wes
Herbel, Lynn	Tate, Jessica
Horton, Becky	Trosper, Patricia
Hrubik, Christine	Wheeler, Lauren
Johnson, Greg	Wood, Jenna
Keegan-Moring, Stephanie	Young, Bryan
Krierim, Jaclyn	

APPENDIX B

** The following members were unable to attend the business meeting due to festival responsibilities elsewhere (per COCDA Job List and accompanists). Those whose name does not appear on the list below but were working in another capacity during the business meeting may contact COCDA Board to offer an amended list.

Gonzales, Jacob
Hillis, David
McKenna, Angela
Mechling, Brenda
Murphee, Angela
Thomas, Billie
Wallace, Ron