

2022 COCDA Business Meeting Minutes

Board Members:

President: Cristi Miller

President Elect: Shermie Potts

Secretary: Holly Pritchard

Treasurer: Wes Singleton

High School Chair: Sohailah Stout

Junior High Mixed Chair: Myles Simpson

Junior High Treble Chair: Amy Knous

I. Call to Order

- A. President Cristi Miller entertained a motion to call to order the annual business meeting of the Central Oklahoma Choral Directors Association at 10:02 am on Tuesday, November, 2022.

II. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

- A. President Cristi Miller invited the membership to read through the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Move to accept minutes: Myles Simpson

Seconded: Stephania Abell

Motion Carried

III. Financial Report

- A. Treasurer Wes Singleton presented the 2022 financial report. Finances are in good standing and the report was approved as read.

Move to accept financial report: Christine Hrubik

Seconded: Amy Knous

Motion Carried

IV. New Business

- A. 2023 Festival Date: President Cristi Miller informed the membership that we would need to decide on an alternate day for the 2023 festival because our usual day will be on Halloween. Miller then provided the membership with a list of options for dates.

Move to set the festival date as Thursday, November 2: Sohailah Stout

Seconded: Christine Hrubik

Discussion: Is it better to have the festival before 1st round all state auditions or after? If we hold the festival after 1st round auditions, the 2nd is the most logical day

Motion Carried by show of hands (29 aye; 7 nay)

- B. President Cristi Miller informs the membership of the need to nominate two new junior high shadows - one for 2022 and one for 2023.

Move to accept Dustin Boatwright as 2022 shadow: Myles Simpson

Seconded: Amy Knous

Motion Carried

Move to accept Aubrey Ross as 2023 shadow: Amy Knous

Seconded: Stephania Abell

Motion Carried

- C. President Cristi Miller informs the membership of the need to nominate a high school shadow for 2023.

Move to accept Kenneth Stock as 2023 shadow: Myles Simpson

Seconded: Dustin Boatwright

- D. President Cristi Miller asks teachers if they would like to receive COCDA t-shirts. The overwhelming response was yes, so “does teacher want a t-shirt” and teacher t-shirt size will be questions on the acceptance google form.

- E. Discussion ensues concerning putting a gender question on the student entry form.

Move to provide a gender non-conforming option on student entry form:

Katrina Randolph

Seconded: Myles Simpson

Discussion: Amber Mash mentions that we could have a place on the form to check a box for males who specifically want to be placed in the mixed choir.

Amended Motion: Move to provide a box to check on the student entry form for males who want to be placed in the mixed choir.

Seconded: Taylor Selvey

Katrina withdraws her motion.

Move to remove gender options from the student entry form and replace it with an option to select “this student is a male and would like to be included in the mixed choir if selected”: Tiffany McGrew

Seconded: Myles Simpson

Motion Carried

- F. The issue of late fees and fees not being paid in a timely manner is introduced to the membership.

Move to incur a consequence to any school that doesn't pay its audition/acceptance fees by March 1: Stephania Abell
Seconded: Myles Simpson
Motion Carried

Move to allow the COCDA Treasurer to reach out to the school's financial secretary by February 1 and then if the fees are still not paid by March 1 a late fee will be assessed: Stephania Abell
Seconded: Myles Simpson
Motion Carried

Treasurer Wes Singleton asks for discussion from the membership concerning what the late fee should be.

Move that the late fee is 50% of whatever COCDA is still owed after March 1: Amy Knous
Seconded: Alisha Beleele
Motion Carried

Move that a school will not be able to register for auditions until all fees from previous years are paid: Amber Mash
Seconded: Tiffany McGrew
Motion Carried

- G. President Cristi Miller reminds the membership that both teachers at schools that have two teachers are expected to be at the festival.

- H. President Cristi Miller reminds the membership that students are not allowed to walk behind the curtain at auditions, and this will be enforced next year.

V. Call to Adjournment

- A. A motion was entertained to adjourn meeting

Seconded: Holly Pritchard
Motion Carried