Oklahoma Music Teachers Association
Minutes of the Board
May 31, 2018
Embassy Suites - Norman, Oklahoma
4:05 pm

The meeting was called to order by President Karen Harrington at 4:05 pm. She welcomed the board as well as special guest, Sharon Callahan, MTNA South Central Director. The Recording Secretary called the roll. Members present were Karen Harrington, Heather Lanners, Jennifer Walschap, Sandra Meyer, Kathy Wilson, Jo Dee Davis, Barbara Fast, Terri Hlubek, Jennifer Jennings, Jeffrey Loeffert, Laurie Lightbody, Jessica Hedley, Michael Dean, Skye Garcia, Patty Ann Harvey, Nancy Shelton, and Dephanie Lilite. A quorum was established. The minutes of the January 2018 Board meeting were approved as amended.

MEMORIALS and CONCERNS
President Harrington acknowledged the recent passing of long time OMTA member and past president, Robert McFadden with a moment of silence. She sent pink roses from the OMTA members to Robert’s wife, Jan, and received a nice thank you note from her. Other memorials included, William K. Veazey, father of Cindy Pullin, Norman; Jack Patrick, father of Shawna Westall, Tulsa; Fred Finely, husband of Margaret Finley, Norman; Wilma Edwards, mother of Kaye Shields, Shawnee; Stan Brassfield, father of Cynthia Briscoe, Tulsa; and David Stutter, father of Teresa Kanold, Tulsa. President Harrington passed around a card to be signed for Tony Carrillo, who is recovering from another stroke.

NEW BUSINESS

The Executive Committee had nine proposals to make to the board. They are as follows:

1) The establishment of an OMTA semiannual electronic newsletter to be edited by Laurie Lightbody. There will be a limit to the size of articles submitted at the discretion of Laurie Lightbody. The deadlines for the fall submission will be August 15th with a release of September 7th, and the deadline for the spring submission is January 23rd, with a release date of February 15th. MSP

2) Membership dues for MTNA, OMTA and local associations will be paid for the first year following college graduation for new members upon the recommendation of a faculty member. The member is strongly encouraged to actively participate in OMTA activities such as District and State Achievement auditions, local association activities and conferences. MP

3) 1. OMTA makes an annual contribution of $750.00, in support of this year’s Oklahoma MTNA Foundation Fellow, to the MTNA Foundation in memory of all members who died during the fiscal year.
   2. When the OMTA President is notified that an OMTA member has died, lost a parent, spouse, or child, a sympathy card is sent to the family stating that a donation to the MTNA Foundation, in support of this year’s Oklahoma MTNA Foundation Fellow, has been made in the person’s name. Information explaining the Foundation Fellow will be included with the card. MP
4) College students will be paid $15.00/hour for working the conference, to include setup on Thursday. The students will also receive complimentary registration to the conference and the Friday luncheon.

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5) College faculty members will receive full reimbursement to become nationally certified in MTNA. This is a onetime offer and will expire December 31, 2018

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6) Each District chair and all competition chairs will submit financial reports using a form that will be created by the Web Committee.

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7) To raise the OMTA Collegiate Competition entry fee to $50.00.

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8) College students will be paid $15/hour for working the MTNA/OMTA Collegiate Piano, Voice & Instrumental Competitions for an estimated sum of $1,000.00.

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9) Any unprecedented expenses exceeding $500.00 must be approved by the OMTA President and Treasurer.

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REPORTS: All officer reports have been sent to board members via Constant Contact and are on file with the President and Secretary.

Karen Harrington, President
Heather Lanners, President Elect – Heather Lanners extended warmest thanks to Karen Harrington for her years of service to the Board.
Barbara Fast, Immediate Past President
William Spannagel, Treasurer
Philelle McBrayer, Investment Account Administrator
Jennifer Walshap, Vice President for Membership
Sandra Meyer, Vice President for Auditions and Competitions
Jennifer Jennings, State Achievement Auditions Chair
Kathy Wilson, Vice President for Local Associations
Thomas Labé, Vice President for Communications and Webmaster
W.T. Skye Garica, Commissioning Composer Chair
Laurie Lightbody, Historian
Davis Dorrough, IMTF Chair
Jeffrey Loeffert, CFF Chair
Tony Carrillo, CCC Chair
Jessica Headley, OMTA Fellows Chair
Michael Dean, MTNA Foundation Chair
DeAnna Calhoun and Ron Lewis, East District Presidents
Kathy Harris and Hyunsoon Whang, West District Presidents

President Harrington gave a sincere thank you to all who have served on the Board this past year. There were several acknowledgements to those completing their terms in 2018. Karen welcomed incoming board members who were present.
UPCOMING EVENTS:

MTNA/OMTA State Competitions: November 3-4, 2018, University of Oklahoma

OMTA Executive Committee Meeting and Board Meeting – January 26, 2019 – OSU

MTNA National Conference, March 16-20, 2018, Spokane, WA

OMTA State Achievement Auditions, May 17-18, 2019, University of Oklahoma

OMTA State Conference – May 30-31, June 1, 2019 – University of Central Oklahoma - Edmond

President Karen Harrington adjourned the meeting at 5:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jo Dee Davis,

OMTA Recording Secretary