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## D10 Fall Meeting - September 14th, 2021

## **AGENDA**

## 6:30 Meeting begins

- Approval of today's agenda & district meeting minutes: 1st: Rachel Niewiada 2nd: Jack Phillipson
- Attendees
  - Virtual Deb Andre, Reba Bridges, Beth Gazella, Bethany Jones, Aaron Goodyke, Carrie Hoeksema, Grant Carmichael, Kristina Vidal, Kara Degenhardt, Kris Ryskamp, Faith Byykkonen, Chris Taylor, [might have missed other virtual]
- Call to order and introductions:
- New Business from July DM Mtg:
  - S&E fees can now be paid via credit card!
    - As a result all fees for S&E have to be the same state-wide, so:
      - Solo currently at \$15, now \$20
      - SE currently at \$25, now \$30
      - LE stayed as is at \$50
      - Choral stayed as is at \$130 (max. next year 2022-2023 potentially \$140)

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- Suggestion: compensate Solos & SE by giving them a complimentary medal to off-set the increase in cost?\
  - D10 was divided on this issue concerns were that S&E fees don't go directly to D10 coffers, so this might not work as we had hoped tabled for discussion at next meeting
- Adjudicator Updates:
  - Added "inclusion statement"
    - MSVMA INCLUSION STATEMENT This statement will be added to the Adjudicator's Instructions to be read at the pre-festival Adjudicator meeting.
    - MSVMA provides musical experiences that embrace diversity, foster connections, empower student musicians, and create community. MSVMA is dedicated to including all people, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, marital status, national origin, or disability.

- MSVMA encourages each member to work with their school administration to ensure a positive and inclusive learning environment, allowing flexibility for all students when placing singers in voice part/gender specific ensembles for which they identify and demonstrate the necessary vocal range, offering varied options for concert attire, and increasing awareness of all aspects of the changing voice. We encourage the use of gender neutral language.
- Our vision is to reach the hearts of all people through song.
- New sight-singing resources from <u>Jessica Nieuwkoop and Dr. Brandon</u> <u>Ulrich</u> on the MSVMA website!
- "Neighboring" rule change ( allow mixed-quartets SATB TTBB etc)
- Solo Rep guidelines
- Fall Adjudication Conference Saturday, October 9th
- o Fall Pre-Festival Virtual Conference More info to come!
- o Sharing of district funds many are thriving, some are really struggling
- State nominations:
  - Executive Board President Elect (2023)
    - Eric Cadena
  - Executive Board Treasurer (2023)
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  - Executive Board Secretary (2023)
    - Jessica Nieuwkoop
  - Executive Board Director of State Festivals (Choral and Solo & Ensemble) (2023)
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  - Executive Board Director of Specialized Festivals (2022)
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  - Executive Board Director of Summer Conference and Michigan Youth Arts Festival (2022)
    - enter names here

## SUGGESTIONS for HC Directors to be given to the HC Committee

- MS Honors Choir Directors (MMC 2023)
  - (6-7-8, SA)
  - (7-8-9, SSA) -Kristina Vidal
  - (7-8-9, TTB) Kyle Cain
- HS Honors Choir Directors (MMC 2023)
  - (SSAA)
  - (TTBB)
  - (SATB) Deb Andre
- Teacher of the Year (2023)
- Emeritus Membership (2023)

- District Festival 2022 dates
  - HS Solo & Ensemble
    - Date: **Saturday, February 5, 2022** (due to MMC 2021 being Jan 27-29)
    - Location: **GVSU**
    - Application/Postmark deadline: Friday, December 10, 2021
    - Host: GVSU
  - HS Choral Festival
    - Date: February 21, 22, 24, 25, 2022 (M, Tu, Th, F)
    - Location: Caledonia HS (21st: President's Day) West Ottawa PAC (22nd) Hastings HS (24th) East Kentwood HS (25th)
    - Application/Postmark deadline: Friday, January 7, 2022
    - Hosts: Kara Stevens, Erin Stier, Andrew Moore, Carrie Hoeksema
  - Junior High / MS Choral Festival
    - Date: **March 14,15,17,18** (half day), **2022** (M, Tu, Th, F half day)
    - Location: Plainwell HS (14th) Grandville HS (15th) West Ottawa PAC (17th) West Ottawa PAC (18th Half)
    - Application/Postmark deadline: Friday, January 28, 2022
    - Host: Erin Gilbert, Reba Bridges, Carrie Ledet, & Sarah Allmon not Allmon new host is Jamie Steinman
  - MS Solo & Ensemble
    - Date: Saturday, April 30, 2022
    - Location: **HOST NEEDED TBD Possible GRPS or other**
    - Application/Postmark deadline: Friday, March 25, 2022 (changed from originally scheduled March 18th)
    - Host:
- Other information:
  - Michigan Music Conference 2022
    - Jan 27 29
- D10 concerns to be presented at the January Full Board Meeting

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- Next Meeting
  - Tuesday, April 12th @ TBD
  - o 6pm Dinner, 6:30pm Meeting
- Food for Thought / Closing Remarks
- Adjournment: 1st: Erik Love, 2nd: Rosie Cusack