

Valley Music Educators Association Meeting
June 15, 2026, 4:30 PM
Edgemont JH

1. Call to Order
2. September minutes read and accepted
3. President's Report
 - a. WMEA is \$150,000 in debt. We are paying it down and will be out of debt in 3-4 years
 - b. WMEA is moving out of the WIAA building, which will lower costs.
 - c. Auditioned Groups – directors should hear back in June regarding acceptance
 - d. Session proposals – members should hear back in July
 - e. WMEA Jazz task force is starting. Contact Megan Wagner if interested in joining the team
 - f. Councils will now be organized statewide by curriculum areas
 - g. State solo/ensemble will be April 23-24
 - h. All-State will be May 21-23
4. Treasurer's Report
 - a. This year was the timeliest turn in of paperwork
 - b. Mark is taking a leave of absence, Melaku Akalwold will run for Treasurer
5. Elections
 - a. President elect – 2 year term plus 2 years as Past President – Kaleb Burris
 - b. Vice President – 2 year term – Keila Fields
 - c. Treasurer – 2 year term – Melaku Akalwold
 - d. Above slate elected
 - e. Curricular representatives (band, orchestra, choir, elementary) tabled until fall meeting
6. Contest Scheduling
 - a. S/E 6-12 Instrumental – Lucas Cook and Don Neptun at SMS 2/27/27
 - b. S/E 6-12 Vocal and Piano – Amy Fuller and Karlene Sandoval at Sumner HS 2/20/27
 - c. FW MS details in the fall
 - d. JH Orchestra LG – Rachel Nies at Puyallup HS 3/27/27 or 3/30/27
 - e. HS Band – Scott Fry at ERHS 3/13/27
 - f. HS Orchestra – Tom Walworth at TJHS 3/17/27 or 3/18/27
 - g. JH Band details in the fall

- h. HS Choral LG probably no
 - i. JH Choral LG – Kaleb doing paperwork (Puyallup) renting a church?
During the school day. Date TBA
- 7. Retirements and leave replacements have created great movement in PSD. Look at the updated lists in the fall! Thank you to all our outgoing music educators for their service to our students and to our region.
- 8. Fall meeting September 14 – 4:30 contest planning, 5:00 full meeting. EJH band room
- 9. Good of the order
 - a. District music educator of the year (each district to choose one). Discuss more in the fall.
- 10. Adjourn

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Kexel, Secretary