

MMTA Executive Committee Meeting

Sunday, February 22, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

Via Skype Conference Call

Present: President, Meredith Taylor; Immediate Past-President, Cathy Benton; President-elect, Peter Miyamoto; Executive Secretary, Erica Manzo; Treasurer, Nancy Schaaf; V.P. Auditions, Robert Carney; V.P. Local Associations & Student Chapters, Eunsil Stevenson; Secretary, Lauren Di Bisceglie.

Regrets: Shirley Quigley-Duggan; Elaina Piccola

- I. Minutes from the November 7, 2014 Executive Committee Meeting were read and approved.

- II. Treasurer's Report: Nancy Schaaf

Current Balances

	February 22, 2015	February 10, 2014
Checking	\$ 7,114	\$10,219
Investments	\$42,149	\$41,941
Savings (Money Market)	\$ 4,466	\$ 4,466
Total Net Worth	\$53,729.00	\$56,656.00

- A. Treasurer noted that the increase in spending in Checking reflected the increase in salary for Executive Secretary
- B. Need to discuss the rising costs of Auditions for judges and mileage reimbursements. For now MMTA is able to pay these costs.
- C. Discussed the cost of printing the audition booklet and the possibility of switching to an electronic version.
- D. Meredith Taylor proposed a motion to form a committee to research successful conferences in other states, looking at expanding back to a full conference starting in 2016. Robert Carney and Erica Manzo willing to serve on that committee. MAP
- E. Pros and cons of an electronic version of the auditions booklet discussed.
- F. Robert Carney made a motion to do away with the printed version of the auditions booklet. Cathy Benton seconded. MAP

III. Officer Reports

A. President – Meredith Taylor

1. Conference/State Auditions will be held at SEMO in Cape Girardeau November 4-8, 2015
2. Meredith Taylor to introduce an MMTA President's newsletter twice a month to keep in touch with people.

B. President Elect – Peter Miyamoto

1. Asked for clarification of several aspects of his role as Present elect

C. Immediate Past President – Cathy Benton

1. Has updated MMTA policies and procedures and will send to Robert Carney
2. Reimbursement policies are all updated
3. Discussed vacant MMTA posts. Jason Hausback to do scheduling for auditions and Robert Carney to handle adjudicating.
4. Cathy Benton to look into possibilities for vacant posts.

D. V.P. Auditions – Robert Carney

1. 2014 Auditions report presented.
2. Jason Hausback has agreed to be Co-VP of Auditions. He will also be responsible for the auditions booklet.
3. Setting 2015 District Dates

District Auditions will be September 26-27. Deadline for St. Louis is September 1 and September 8 for everyone else.

State Auditions will be held November 4-8, 2015 MAP

E. V.P. Local Associations and Student Chapters – Eunsil Stevenson

1. Three MMTA Grant applications were received. Eunsil Stevenson made the following recommendation.

2. Our budget for our 2015-2016 Local Association Matching Grant Program is \$2,500. The amount requested is \$2,839. We have several options to consider: provide grants as requested and exceed our budget, or provide grants below amounts requested:

1. Option A – Provide grants as requested:

• Mid-Missouri Area MTA -	\$ 839.00
• Kansas City Area MTA -	\$1,000.00
• <u>St. Louis Area MTA</u>	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
Total	\$2,839.00

This would exceed our budget by \$339.00

2. Option B – Provide grand below amounts requested:

• Mid-Missouri Area MTA -	\$ 739.00
• Kansas City Area MTA -	\$ 900.00
• <u>St. Louis Area MTA</u>	<u>\$ 900.00</u>
Total	\$2,539.00

This would exceed our budget by only \$39.00

3. **2015 MMTA Collegiate Chapter Grants:** Our 2015 MTNA National Conference will be March 21-25, 2015 in Las Vegas, NV. Recently we have provided support for Collegiate Chapter student members to attend the conference, which proves to be a valuable experience for these future music teachers. We have budgeted \$500 this year for this purpose:

- Mid-Mo Collegiate Chapter
- University of Central Missouri
- UMKD
- Missouri State University
- St. Joseph

4. Peter Miyamoto proposed a motion to approve the budget for \$339.00 increase for the upcoming local association matching grants as well as the projected collegiate chapter expenses of \$500 for going to National in 2016. MAP

5. Board approved Option A – MAP

F. V.P. Publications and Public Relations – Susan Quigley-Dugan

No Report

IV. Additional Reports

A. Executive Secretary – Erica Manzo

1. March 15 is the deadline for the next newsletter

V. Other Old or New Business

A. Update on Policies and Procedures Manual – Cathy Benton has updated everything and will send to Robert Carney

B. Paypal option - to look into

C. To look at new MMTA Mission statement that was adopted ca.2006.

D.

VI. Next meeting: set date, time and location TBA

The Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Laureen Di Bisceglie
Secretary: MMTA