District VI Middle School All-District Meeting

William Byrd Middle School - Nicole Schmitt, District Rep

March 3, 2018

**Minutes**

1. Call to Order, Meeting was called to order by Nicole Schmitt, District Representative at 9:51 am
2. Confirmation of Agenda
3. Ashley Gallion made a motion to approve the 2017 Fall Meeting Minutes, Derrick Thompson seconded. Minutes approved.
4. Old Business
   1. Audition Reminders
      1. New Audition Rep for High School All-District/All-Virginia
         1. She Walks in Beauty by Arthur Finer (2017-2018)
         2. Whither Must I Wander (2018-2019)
         3. Blow, Blow Thou Winter Wind (2019-2020)
         4. Where’er You Walk by Handel (2020-2021)
      2. New Audition Rep for Middle School All-District Choir:
         1. Danny Boy (2017-2018)
         2. Shenandoah (2018-2019)
         3. Beautiful Dreamer (2019-2020)
   2. All - District Event Locations - Thank you to Matt Bartley, Bradley Stump and Terry Haynie for hosting auditions
   3. Reminder that absences at All-District event must be approved by the District Committee. There is a form on the VCDA website that must be submitted in advance.
   4. All-District Conductors 2019: (Send suggestions to Nicole Schmitt)
      1. MS Mixed - Lois Castonguay or David Castonguay
      2. MS Treble -TBD
      3. HS Mixed -TBD
      4. HS Treble -TDD
5. New Business
   1. VMEA
      1. Conference 2018, November 15-17 at The Homestead, Hot Springs, VA
         1. Please be encouraged to submit for sessions and performances. Clinic Applications due April 1, 2018. Performance Applications available March 1 - May 1
         2. Link for Room Reservations at The Homestead is active on the VMEA Website as of February 5!!! Owners Club Houses also available.
      2. Senior Honors Choir Auditions 2018
         1. Current date is October 13, 2018
      3. Combined All-VA Event: April 5-7, 2018 (MS ACDA Event at the same time). Location - Richmond VA to promote advocacy.
      4. Motion for Sight-Reading Procedures/Guidelines Update passed at VMEA in November. This will go into effect 2018-2019.
   2. VCDA
      1. All-Virginia, April 5-7, 2018
         1. Concert Location: Dominion Arts Center, Carpenter Theatre; 600 E. Grace Street; Richmond, VA, 23219
            1. 3:00 SSAA Chorus, Conductor: Kristina MacMullen, Ohio State University
            2. 3:45 SATB Chorus, Conductor: Lee Nelson, Wartburg College
         2. Housing/Meals/Rehearsals: Richmond Marriot: 500 E. Broad Street Richmond, VA 23219
            1. Housing on your own!!!!! Meals are still handled. We chaperone our own students. No VCDA assigned chaperones. Link went live on March 1!
            2. If you have an alternate called, make sure you inform Nicole Schmitt, District Rep. AND Mandi Steele, VCDA President. No alternates will be accepted after March 27.
      2. Literature Manual
         1. Next submission is at All-State
         2. OR send to Brian Kelly with Literature Submission Form found on VCDA website under Documents and unstaple photocopy of the piece.
         3. Go to the JW Pepper website, festival tab to get to the Texas list.
      3. Reminder of The VCDA Gender Policy - All District & All-VA Eligibility & Attire
   3. District VI
      1. District Performance Assessment - Darren Goad at Radford will be hosting at Radford University. Additional documents will be sent out.
      2. District Website ([www.districtvi.weebly.com](http://www.districtvi.weebly.com)) - please check this for updates.
      3. District Committee Updated Manual (Lenora, Joel, Terry are working on this)
      4. Event hosts for 2018-2019
         1. District Auditions - Joel will site host at Lord Botetourt
            1. High School Auditions Scheduling: Amanda Sprouse, Ashley Gallion, plan B
            2. High School Auditions Financial: Sara Harkrader
            3. Middle School Auditions Scheduling: Andrew Miller
            4. Middle School Auditions Finances: Derrick Thompson
         2. High School Event - Kristi Vernon at Salem High School? Possibility we may need another site. Directors are looking into other venues around the Roanoke area.
         3. Middle School Event - Nadine Breen at Liberty Christian Academy
         4. All-Virginia Auditions - Nancy Volk-Stalcup (plan B is Amanda Sprouse)
      5. Event Chairs: Check VMEA Website for Event Manuals & Forms
      6. Hosts: will meet in July or August to create a Deadlines Calendar in addition to an Event Calendar.
6. Other Business
   1. District t-shirt - thank you, Terry!
   2. Thanks to Matt Bartley again for hosting! Please remember to check the schedule for reminders.
   3. Dress Code Reminders, help each other and make sure all students are dressed accordingly.
7. Motion to close
   1. Sara Harkrader presented the motion and Lee Anne Sheridan seconded. Meeting adjourned.