Secretary-Treasurer Brendan McConville read the treasurer’s report and it was approved.

Ann Silverberg recognized present board members: Paul Osterfield, Brendan McConville, and Kristian Klefstad. She then extended thank yous to outgoing board members: LaWanda Blakeney, Emily Crane, William Price, Peter Learn, and Steven Kelly, Mark Lackey.

The 2013 Business Meeting minutes were projected, read, and approved.

Student Representative Peter Learn reported on student activities at the CMS National Meeting. He recounted that the group discussed ways to encourage longevity. They also discussed the keynote address at the meeting, delivered by composer Joan Tower. His report was motioned for approval and it passed.

Ann Silverberg thanked David Royse, Brendan McConville, and Barbara Murphy for their work in organizing the 2014 conference. Ann reported that she impressed with the University of Tennessee School of Music students, faculty, ensembles, etc. David Royse then recognized Michael Stewart from UTK who directed all stage work at the Friday evening concert. He also recognized Gene Peterson who handled all scheduling.

Ann Silverberg presented awards of Merit for Extraordinary Conference Hosting to David Royse, Brendan McConville, and Barbara Murphy. She also proposed a resolution of thanks to them, which was passed.

Past-President Paul Osterfield moved acceptance of 2016 meeting at UAB with host William Price. Motion was approved.

Paul Osterfield reported on the ballot of new Executive Board members. He said he is seeking nominees for the 2015 election: board members in performance, musicology, and music education. He said the president should seek a possible candidate to appoint as new student member of Board as soon as possible. He presented the slate:

President-Elect: Karen Fosheim, William Price
Secretary-Treasurer: Julia Mortokova, Gary Powell Nash
Theory: Courtenay Harter, John Tartara
Ethnomusicology: John Robison, Deborah Schwartz-Kates

David Royse moved to close nominations. Kristian Klefstad seconded his motion and it passed.

Ann Silverberg reported that at the 2014 Executive Board meeting the group discussed the possibility of “auto-accepting” Southern Chapter members’ proposals from 2014, for presentation at the 2015 meeting. This lead to a discussion of how many MA and SO
cancellations we had for the conference. It was decided that we will use national’s decisions on refunds to assist us in deciding who should be “auto-accepted” for the 2015 meeting.

2015 conference host Julia Mortykovka reported on updates regarding the 2015 meeting.
- It will be held during the second or third weekend in February.
- Ann proposed Feb. 19 – 21 for 2015 meeting at Mississippi University for Women.
- David Royse moved to accept these dates and site; motioned passed.
- Julia then presented images of MUW to the group.

Ann Silverberg informed all that the chapter constitution has been updated to allow for online elections; this will be reflected on CMS National website soon (current version from 1990s).

Ann Silverberg presented Joanna Pepple with the student paper award, as she was not in attendance at the concert for the award presentation.

David Royse moved that our paper contest be named the David Z. Kushner paper award. Paul Osterfield added that we should name the student composition award after Dennis Kam. We agreed we should discuss this with them. Terry suggested we pass this motion pending the approval of their using their names.
- David Z. Kushner Student Paper Award
- Dennis Kam Student Composition Award

Paul moved to pass this motion and the motion was approved.

He meeting adjourned at 8:56am.