

South Central Chapter Business Meeting
March 12, 2015
Northeastern State University
Tahlequah, OK

President-Elect Don Bowyer called the meeting to order at 12:09 p.m., and announced that President Shannon Small was unable to attend and had asked him to run the meeting.

Patricia Surman and Reiner Kramer were thanked for coordinating the conference. Elizabeth Momand was thanked for her assistance in preparing the conference program book.

Minutes from the March 2014 meeting were read, corrected, and accepted as amended.

Alexandra Zacharella presented the treasurer's report.

- Conference registration - 54 people registered which generated \$2,705.00
- Currently awaiting reply from national office concerning expenditures.
- The Chapter is in sound financial shape with a healthy balance

Bowyer briefly explained why we don't know or have access to information.

Nico Schuler asked if the conference fee schedule was set by the board. Surman replied that President Small had suggested raising the conference fees and then told her what they would be. Bowyer suggested discussing this issue in the board meeting. Schuler remarked that in the past the fees always included lunch and yet they had been lower. This year it was higher. Bowyer reminded the membership that last year the fees were much lower because lunch was not included.

Louis Young provided a report on elections.

- For the first time, online elections. Went very smoothly and was successful.
- Recognized new officers
 - Vice-President - Vicky Johnson
 - President-elect- Nico Schuler
 - Music in General Studies – Louis Young
 - Music Theory - Kim Loeffert
 - Newsletter Editor - Jeri Walker

Bowyer introduced the remaining board members.

Future conference sites were discussed: 2016 - Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls, Texas; 2017 - Henderson State University in Arkadelphia, Arkansas. Looking for a host for 2018 when the meeting rotates back to Oklahoma.

Old Business

Surnam brought up the concern about the board position for instrumental performance, mentioning that she is still in the position because no one was nominated for it.

New Business

A lengthy discussion began on how to increase membership and conference participation. Topics discussed included:

- Having a presence at state music conferences
- Communicating (or not) through Facebook
- Finding someone who is passionate about social media to run it.
- Targeting our Facebook page posts for the people that will use the information.
- Including a link to CMS chapter site on Facebook.
- Pursuing additional funding for to assist with student travel to participate in chapter conferences.
- Establishing a regular due date for proposal submission.
- Encourage student composers to submit compositions.
- Have the host institution send out a list of willing performers/ensembles for new composition performances.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Momand
Secretary