

# CMS Great Plains Business Meeting

Saturday, March 2, 2019

DK Auditorium, Coe College, 3PM

## Officers present

Loralee Songer, President  
Angela Miller-Niles, Secretary  
Paul Lombardi, Treasurer  
Michelle Blair, Program chair  
David Moskowitz, program committee  
Matthew Haakenson, composition chair  
Eileen Hayes, CMS President

Other CMS members

## Call to order by Loralee Songer

### Old Minutes reviewed by those present

- Paul Lombardi move to approve, Dave Moskowitz second

### Treasurer's report (Paul Lombardi)

Discussed budget numbers. Goal is not to go lower, stay the same or go up; this year had additional expense—gave money to a grad student to present at the national conference; we have fewer members as well so may be down by around \$500

### President's report (Loralee Songer)

Thank you to all who helped make the conference a success: Coe College; Bob Bensen, tech director; Carter, tech help; Adam, student help; Michelle Blair, program chair; Matt Haakenson, composition chair

29 registered for conference at this point, 6 are students

Songer will have Zoom conference with other regional chairs soon. Sharing info from Dr. Hayes from National

- trying to make common topic more robust
- continue culture of philanthropy in the organization
- Symposium now peer-reviewed
- reviewing the governance committee
- National conference in Louisville in October: probably no pre-conferences this time

### Thoughts on next conferences

- KU 2020—Paul Laird
- USD 2021
- looking for program and composition chairs
- discussed keynote speakers: Delta David Gier possibly, KU may have ideas

### 2019 Common Topic

- Fostering Equity and Inclusion in Music
- keynote speaker discussed this earlier and took comments from the audience; Songer asked for any further discussion

### New Business

- Elections held and all posts covered for two-year positions: President Amanda McCandless, Secretary Merrin Guice Gill, Treasurer Paul Lombardi

Motion to adjourn by Dave Moskowitz, second by Paul Lombardi