

Oklahoma NATS 2010 Business Meeting

Date: April 10, 2010

Solicitation of a scribe to take minutes – Roxane LaCombe

Old Business

1. Approval of 2009 minutes.
Motion to approve was made by Jan McDaniel and received a second. The minutes were unanimously approved.

New Business

1. A brief comparison was made between last year's post-conference budget and this year's projected post conference budget. Budget much better than last year.
2009 Post-Conference Balance \$606.22
2010 Pre-Conference Balance \$5,036.22
2010 Post-Conference Balance \$2,504.74
2. Motion was made to make a \$500.00 donation to TEXOMA region to offset costs of website renovation. Eventually OK chapter may be able to have space on the TEXOMA website. The motion was made by Jan McDaniel and received a second from Rebekah Ambrosini. The motion unanimously passed.
3. The new language for the copyright policy from the national office was discussed. No questions were asked.
4. Tony Gonzales pointed out that the language regarding the age of high school participants – “at the time of the conference” – prevents some students from competing whose birthdates are only a few days away. Discussion ensued, but no action was taken.
5. Kevin Eckard made a motion to include birthdates on the registration form for those students competing in the High School Divisions. The motion was seconded by Don Clark. The motion carried.
6. A motion to use the new audition software from the Southern Utah chapter, on a trial basis for next year (2011) was made by Rebekah Ambrosini. The motion received a second. The price would be \$1 per student, and data would be put online once received. Mark McQuade pointed out that it would save the auditions chair a lot of work and headache, and that the program might be free down the road if enough interest was shown nationally. The motion unanimously passed.
7. The 2010 TEXOMA Region Conference will be held at Hardin Simmons University in Abilene, TX on November 3-6. The following year - 2011, Oklahoma state NATS will be held at East Central University in Ada on April 8

- & 9. and the TEXOMA region conference will be held at Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee on November 2-5.
8. April Golliver of OSU was appointed the new Auditions Chair.
 9. Questions were raised about repertoire in the High School divisions by Don Wilson. Lengthy discussion ensued.
 - I. Kim Childs posed a question regarding a need for specificity in the language.
 - II. A motion was made to change the language from “two additional selections,” which allows for the possibility of singing two “arias” if selected by the voice teacher.
 - III. Katherine McDaniel made a motion to change the requirements to:
 1. One Italian art song
 2. One art song in English
 3. One additional selection by the voice teacher.
 - IV. Jan McDaniel amended the motion to strike “All songs may be sung in English” from the requirements.
The motion carried.
 10. Discussion was held on the location of a host school for next year. No one volunteered. Mark McQuade said he would begin petitioning people in a few weeks.