

Call to Order

- President Shanley welcomed all.

Officer Report

Treasurer:

- Myron Peterson talked about what we have brought in and money spent.
- Looking good so far
- Talked about balance sheet – will go down to pay things
- Did this year go well? - Kearney
 - o All state jazz has to pay for itself
 - o 53 members = 1000 bucks
 - o (All-State Jazz) Fewer than 100 bucks off in paying for itself
- Website is up and running thanks to Mike McMann
- Steve Keller will maintain it from here on out
- Adding in ability to get advertising (Rod)
 - o Working with local retailers
 - o Using web as a conduit for content and support materials
 - o Soliciting volunteers to get content for site
 - o We have a nice way to get support from various entities.
 - o Major music suppliers, instrument sellers etc.
 - o 3 different buy in levels
 - o Major manufacturers do more than just build instruments
 - o See attached document for clarification (attach JEI rate sheet)
 - o Could get more educational support from sponsoring businesses.

President's Report

- Want to look at restructuring AS Jazz Bands
- Kyle E said their would be interest in restructuring the way we do AS Jazz
- Many 4A tapes get submitted. Hardly any from 3A
- Talked in past about a 4A band alone. People weren't hip on that.
- If interest is there and 3A directors will send in tapes, we could add a 3rd band.
- We would need 45 entries to come up with enough money to cover this.
- 3A only band would probably garner more tapes. 3A would feel like they could make it.
- The thought is that 3A doesn't participate because of 4A strength.
- Would get more kids involved and more kids through process
- Downsides of this would be:
 - o Concert would have to be shorter/less literature
 - o Would cut it down to 3-4 charts per group. Not 6-7.
 - o Chops would not be as much of a consideration.
 - o Music prep would be able to happen
 - o With 3 bands.....we could still do things
 - o Could do a Thursday night/Friday rehearsal and make it happen for a Friday night concert
 - o Some directors are not capable of entertaining for 48 hours but there is educational value.
 - o The kids deserve a full house.

- Any change in time comes with new problems.
- Corporate contributions are being considered will be possible but we don't want to sell naming rights. We can't count on them to be there. We need 45 additional entries to cover it.
- Ideally we get the AS Jazz to fund itself but use corporate money to get materials and mission statement out to all participants in Iowa.
- To increase auditions we are considering redoing the process
 - Could do it like Grammy awards
 - Do we need to keep it anonymous
 - Should we get a committee together
 - Scales are not a good idea from many idea standpoint
 - Need something to address the full range of horn
 - Lead trpt used scales to determine part placement.
 - We agree there needs to be some changes.
 - Send Steve Shanley an email if you want to serve.
 - The current setup is overkill
 - Each instrumental audition part should be melodic/from the standard library.
- Will look into options of scheduling.
- Kids should have more contact with the clinician
- Maybe put it after the district luncheon on Friday.
- Maybe a better variation of starting on Wednesday
- Could do the concert on Friday. It would allow the directors to not miss stuff.
- It would be tough to get the concert on Friday night.
- Saturday can be a pain due to graduation.
- Why not have clinician work could be with the band afterwards.
- Could do hour and ½ on Wed, all rehearsal Thur, soundcheck on Friday
- Concerts on Friday are usually limited to 50 minutes
- Lucky for us Liz seems willing to make changes
- Even though we are at a new space, it will maybe be similar schedule
- Liz may move more high profile on stuff.
- Could we move the concert of site?
- Why are we focusing on beefing up Saturday?
- Major Landers finalists would be impacted greatly by a Friday thing.

- We are not set in our ways. We could use any advice or help.
- If you would like to join the advisory board let us know
- If you want to chair/oversee committees let us know.
- Any ideas for a 3rd director let us know!
- We are looking regionally to cut down on costs. Plenty of good directors in the region.
- It would be great to get a female director