

ASMTA Board Meeting Minutes (Friday June 2, 2023 12:30-1:30 PM)

Foundation Fund (Sharon Ard): 2 foundation fellows not listed from 2018 (Florence Price and Virginia Queen). She recognized Aline Phillips as new fellow – appreciate all she has done. From Jan to May, \$35 was donated to Foundation Fund. \$337.57 from Arkansas State Treasurer’s Fund.

Webmaster – Paul asked that if anyone is interested in doing this, please let him know.

Certification – no report

Arts Advocacy – no report

Publicity – no report

Historian – no report

Wellness – no report

IMTF – Lisa Miller reported that everything is set for 3:30 tomorrow. Lisa asked that if you are a chairperson for the region, please have a paper trail so can send reimbursement checks. She also said that \$1194.55 of checks haven’t been cashed yet.

Collegiate chapter – no report

Competition – no report (Paul Whitley said that if anyone has an edit to make on the website they can email him and he will edit the website)

State Auditions - Chris Thompson said it’s all set. Please let him know if anyone can be a door monitor. Also, Paul Whitley said that he was asked to do the masterclass in lieu of the guest who can’t make it.

Composer Commissioning – no report

Age Discount for ASMTA or local chapter need to follow the MTNA guidelines which is 70 or above.

Paul Whitley brought up a vote to raise the mileage rate to the state rate. Dianne Cox made a motion to match it to the state rate. Lauren Schack-Clark seconded. All agreed. Motion passed.

Reminder about General Liability Insurance for ASMTA related events. Lauren Schack-Clark said that all events are required to fill out a form to fill out. We should put a link on website for this.

Paul Whitley wanted to make sure that the board members of the regions are tied to the festival regions. His simple solution would be for each region to elect a member every other year at their region festival.

Paul Whitley made a motion to raise the festival student fee from \$20 to \$25. Motion passed. As far as motion to raise judges' fees from \$25/hour to ? the motion was tabled to November where Tim Smith can provide input on how to implement this.

Written Theory Curriculum discussion:

Committee (Lauren Schack-Clark, Mark Smidt, Marika Kyriakos, Judy Warner and Paul Whitley) met over the past year and discussed what needed revising and what was possible to revise. They looked over the current Oklahoma test and thought that it would be great to implement in Arkansas. It would cost us \$500 for the 3 series of tests or \$250 for 1 series of tests.

Would there be restrictions if we tweaked the Ok test after we pay for it. Lauren Schack-Clark will ask Ok to make sure about property rights.

Since Oklahoma test is level 1-13, should we add some primary levels (for level 1-2). Concern arose if level 3 is compatible with Arkansas level 1. Members noted the disparity in the levels. Members also noted the difficulty of the early levels for Oklahoma test.

Paul Whitley made a motion to adopt Oklahoma's written theory test as is and that Carolyn Setliff and Sharon Ard will re-write levels primary A and B. Also the committee will work to correlate the OK levels with the AR levels. ? seconded the motion. Motion passed. Thank you to the committee.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 PM.

Minutes by Naoki Hakutani