

Madison County Music Educator's Association  
Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 14, 2015  
Micielli's Restaurant, Canastota

**Districts Represented**, Brookfield, Camden, Canastota, Cazenovia, Chittenango, DeRuyter, Madison, Morrisville-Eaton Oneida, Stockbridge Valley, Vernon-Verona-Sherrill, NYSSMA Zone 8 Rep.

*\*Note: if you were in attendance at the meeting and your school is not listed, please make sure you sign the attendance sheet.*

I. Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM

\*Julie Soloman – NYSSMA Zone 8 Rep.

- NYSSMA Cybernotes – 1<sup>st</sup> of the month e-mail
- nyssma.org – many valuable resources – check out Advocacy and Gov. Officials
- New NYSSMA manual in effect
- Adjudication Orientation Seminars – consider being trained
- Winter Conference Dates –Dec. 3-6, 2015
- Possibility of 2 Zone 8 Festivals next year
- NYSSMA Day in Albany – March 7, 2016
- Hand outs (available on line) – Standards review/National Core Arts Standards
- APPR – no specific changes as of now
- Zone meeting at Oneonta All-State

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II. A. Secretary's Report – Lisa Stearns

Motion to dispense with reading of the minutes:

Jamie McCarthy

Second: Michael Morehouse

So Moved

- Thank you note read from Margaret Kelsey, Chitt.

B. Treasurer's Report – Jamie McCarthy

- Business as usual
- Schools that still owe fees have been invoiced
- Please make sure Jamie knows your Arts in Ed info.

C. Vice-President's Report – Kevin Johnson

- nothing to report

D. President's Report – Maveret Umstead

- Welcome new teachers:  
Rose Thresh, Matteo Longhi, Kelsey Wisner – Chitt.  
George Jweid – Morrisville/Eaton
- Congratulations to the students accepted to All-State/  
All-Eastern Conference Ensembles:  
Cazenovia – Whitney Dennison, Tim Kempton,  
Emily Kielbasinski  
Madison – Amber Ford  
Oneida – Hannah Pegg, Kevin Spooner  
Morrisville-Eaton – John Mbagu  
VVS – Samantha Kio, Morgan Hawthorne
- NYSSMA Day in Albany , March 7, 2016
- All-State Jazz – lead trumpet audition separately
- Summer Conference – August 14-16, 2016

E. Choral Representative Report: Amanda Hughes

- 2015/16 Festivals:

9-12 Chorus – Marc Green - Conductor

Holly McCoy – Chair

Matthew Stearns - Accompanist

7- 8 Chorus – Brandi Collins – Conductor

Kim Nethaway – Accompanist

Chair needed

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus – Nicole Winegard – Conductor

Kim Nethaway – Accompanist

Charity Dreier - Chair

**Deadline for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus names to Charity Dreier:  
November 20, 2015**

F. Orchestra Representative: Jen Guhin

- 2015-16 Festivals:

6-8 Orchestra – Jill Pierce – Conductor

Katie Hess – Chair

9-12 Orchestra – Conductor and Chair – TBA

**Audition music for October 31<sup>st</sup> – Set B has been distributed**

G. Band Representative: Dave Hawthorne

- 2015-2016 Festivals:

5-6 Band – Jeanne Pizzuto-Sauve – Conductor

Nate Kaercher - Chair

7-8 Band – Dan McCollum – Conductor

Bill McCoy – Chair

9-12 Band – Conductor - Dr. David Gaines

Holly McCoy - Chair

H. Audition Chairperson – Lisa Stearns

- 2015-2016 Audition Sets/Songs/ Scales/Sight Reading

7-8 Band – Set A – any 5 scales – sight reading

9-12 Band – Set C – any 7 scales – sight reading

NO CHROMATIC SCALE REQUIRED

7-8 Chorus – *The Erie Canal* plus sight reading

9-12 Chorus – *My Heart Is Offered Still To You*  
plus sight reading

6-8 Orchestra – Set B – any 7 scales: 1 must be in 2  
octave – sight reading

9-12 Orchestra – Set B – any 7 scales: all in 2 octave  
except bass only has to perform E, F, F#, G  
in 2 oct., the rest in 1 oct.  
plus sight reading

7-8 Sight Reading is NYSSMA Level 2

9-12 Sight Reading is NYSSMA Level 4

7-8 Percussion Rudiments/Mallets – NYSSMA Manual Lev. 2

9-12 Percussion Rudiments/Mallets – NYSSMA Manual Lev. 4

\*\*\*Registration Deadline for October Auditions – Friday, 10/9/15

I. Web Master – Eric Feola

- Nothing at this time

J. Government Relations – Nick Anderalli

- Nothing at this time

K. Festival Chairperson – Margie Hawthorne

- 1/22-23/2016 – Oneida –All-County Festival 1

- Concert times – 2:00 and 3:15PM

II. OLD BUSINESS:

- Holly McCoy will still chair the 9-12 Band and Chorus

III. NEW BUSINESS:

- Directory update form is on the website under Directory  
Please take a moment and update your school's info.
- Motion by Jamie McCarthy that a teacher from  
each district must be in attendance with the students  
at the All-County Audition Festivals. This applies to  
Choral, Band and Orchestra students.  
Second – Charity Dreier  
PASSED

IV. Dates and Reminders:

2015-2016 Festival/Meeting Dates:

Saturday, 10/31/15 – Auditions - DeRuyter

Fri/Sat. 1/22-23/16 – All-County – Oneida

Saturday, 1/30/16 – Auditions – DeRuyter

Fri/Sat 3/18-19/16 – All-County – Camden

Music Educator's Day – 10/23/15

Reading session leaders needed

Rome Community Concert Band –

Small ensemble opportunity – Margie will send e-mail

V. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn: Jamie McCarthy

Second: Roselle Lynch

Meeting Adjourned: 7:41 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

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