

**North Carolina Bandmasters Association
Fall Meeting Minutes
Sunday November 5, 2023
4:00 pm Benton Convention Center**

Meeting called to order at 4:04 p.m.. by President Jim Kirkpatrick.

Call to Order & Welcome - Jim Kirkpatrick

Thanks to Andrew Craft and Robert Johnston and WSFCS for supplying all of the percussion needs for the NCMEA conference.

Recognition of past NCBA Presidents

Introduction of the District Chairs:

- Eastern – Karen Matthews
- Southeastern – Steven Kelly
- East Central – Page Newsome
- Central – Michael Capps
- Northwestern – Matt Liner
- South Central – Kameron Radford
- Western – Kelly Saunders

Thanks to our Past District Chairs:

- Southeastern – Curt Collins
- East Central – Brian Myers
- Western – Ana Bulluck

Moment of Silence to pay respect to Directors that we have lost this year.

Minutes from Spring 2023 - Karen Williams-Lanning

Minutes have been posted [online](#) for review. Minutes were motioned and approved by the membership.

Current Hall of Fame Member Recognition

Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

- Alice Aldredge
- Lesli Clowes
- Scott Clowes
- Raiford Ivy Landreth
- Robert “Bob” Black

Voting for Hall of Fame - Chris White

Nominations for 2024 are due July 1, 2024. [The nomination form](#) must be completed by a District chair. 2-3 Letters of support from current Hall of Fame members must be included.

Reminders:

All nominees have been reviewed by District Chairs and the Hall of Fame Committee and meet all standards for full nomination. Each member must receive 75% of the general membership vote in order to be approved for induction.

- Not voting for a candidate is essentially a “no” vote.
- You may vote for all candidates.
- The “only 3 allowed in” rule is not a factor at this time.

Patricia Hughes Ball spoke on behalf of John Enloe.

Jamie Bream spoke on behalf of Liz Hasty.

Matt Pellas spoke on behalf of Tom Jenner.

Alyssa Colborne, Drew Carter, and WC Lanning spoke on behalf of Phillip Riggs.

The membership voted via paper ballot.

NCBA General Account - Fran Shelton

Treasurer's Report

Last Year's Balance \$21,107.19

This Year's Balance \$22,715.87

Districts were assessed \$1450.00 to cover NCBA expenses. This was transferred from your district account by the Executive Director on November 2.

Sub-committee formed to analyze and make recommendations for 2024-25 assessment adjustments.

Hard copies of receipts and 201 forms must be submitted to Fran Shelton if you are to receive a reimbursement.

NCBA Honors Account - Rodney Workman

Treasurer's Report

\$23,222.10

2022-2023 Honors Band

Income: \$33,075

Cost: \$40,649.99

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1_4VZ7UztMCjsXQ8-GTtLNIHgaxcB5ZUusyJn_Vn4PJiA/edit?usp=sharing

An increase of \$5 to the clinic fee, and the removal of t-shirts, director meal at auditions, color program, and other cuts were made to balance this budget in the May meeting.

Reminder: Audition Fees are mailed rather than collected at the audition. They should be postmarked by the registration date and mailed to:

Asheville High School

% Rodney K. Workman/ NC Honors Band

419 McDowell Street

Asheville, NC 28803

Old Business

Honors Band Auditions - Jamie Bream

Location: Atkins High School

Date: March 2, 2024

Snow Date: March 9, 2024

Fee: \$20 (mailed to Rodney Workman @ Asheville HS)

Mitchell Townley - MS Audition Chair

O'Shae Best - 9/10 Audition Chair

Lance Barton - 11/12 Audition Chair

Honors Band Clinic - Jamie Bream

April 26-28, 2024- UNC-Greensboro

Olivia D. Spell - MS Clinic Chair

Wes Richardson - 9/10 Clinic Chair

Tim Sale - 11/12 Clinic Chair

2024 Clinicians

Middle School – Travis Smith

9/10 – Alex Kaminsky

11/12 – Kevin Geraldi

All-State Honors Band Committee - Jamie Bream

- New policies and procedures have been updated
 - Clarification on percussion sight reading
 - Clarification on memorization of scales
 - Deletion of irrelevant audition procedures
- Rotation 2 solos have been updated, please look over and give feedback to your committee representative
 - Deadline is 1/31/24
- All rotations for percussion have been completed please give feedback to your committee representative by 1/31/24
- Proposal to have 4 bassoons to each band was passed
 - addition of 1 oboe to 11/12 will be researched

Reminder All-State Clinic this year will be at UNCG

MPA Committees - Chris White

Concert Band MPA Policy and Procedure Changes

- The Adjudication Committee voted to return to sight reading one level below the level of the ensemble's stage music. This includes ensembles who perform flex music. Directors are encouraged to view the published instrumentation list and have a plan for the sight-reading room, and sight-reading adjudicators will be required to evaluate the instrumentation present in the room and not penalize for missing instrumentation.
- Rule 3C will be suspended again for 2024 Concert Band MPA events; however, The committee voted unanimously to limit the number of students who can play the SAME instrument in multiple ensembles to 20% of the band's membership or 5 students, whichever is greater. Under the suspension of Rule 3C, there is no limit to the number of students who can play a secondary instrument in another ensemble.
- Rewording of MPA Procedure A and F.

DEI Committee Update: In an effort to help directors identify pieces on the list by underrepresented composers, and in a sincere effort to avoid the illusion of supporting any composer over another, the MPA Adjudication committee voted unanimously to add a column on our NCBA MPA list to indicate additional information about composers. This could include underrepresented, NC composers, etc.. There will be no other special designation on the list, and directors will be able to choose what they do with the information.

Please contact Chris White if there are any additional questions.

Marching Band Committee - Olivia D. Spell

Financial Report

Items for discussion - [Agenda](#)

- Hybrid Classification Proposal
- Handbook Revisions
 - Show Time
 - Affiliation Info
- Chief Judge Concern
- ASBDA Session at Honors Band
 - Wes Pendergrass on Show Design and Effectiveness
- DCI Blast Event
 - Coming this summer at NightBEAT

Judge's Training Videos COMING SOON!

New Business

Special Recognitions - Chris White and Tracy Humphries

NCBA Award of Excellence 2022

Western: Jenny Lanier

Northwest: Chad Higdon

South Central: Steve Stevens Jr.

Central: Jeremy Ray

East Central: Helen Bishop

Southeastern: John Wright

Eastern: Christopher J. Whitehurst

ASBDA Ed Rooker Encore Award

Nick Carl, Hickory Ridge Middle School

Greg Dills, JM Robinson HS

Tim Sale, Swain Middle School

JaQuan Wiley, Asheville High School

Christian Orr, North Forsyth High School

Chris La Vignette, Erwin Middle School

For the Good of the Order - Jim Kirkpatrick

Thank you to Phillip Riggs for coordinating the NCBA Summer Professional Development Workshop.

Director Jazz Band in performance in Winston Ballroom 2

Fiddle and Fish tonight! Hosted by WFU 5:30-7:30pm.

Perry Ditch from Fuller's Music is raffling off a free Harmony Director. Two free beers for everybody!

Ron Payne addressed the membership about the importance of the profession and the difference that everyone makes.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Williams-Lanning