

## BCMEA MEETING MINUTES

10/3/11

6:00pm

**Members Present:** Stephanie Hall – Archbishop Wood HS; Frank Bolkus – Central Bucks; Karl Krelove (ret.) – Neshaminy; Dave Bachart – New Hope-Solebury; Carolyn Williams – Palisades; Paul Daniels, Diane King – Pennridge; Derek Cressman, Pam Englehart, Betty Hohwieler – Pennsbury; Heidi Wolfskill – Plumstead Christian School; Phyllis Arnold – Solebury School

Meeting called to order by BCMEA president, David Bachart – 6:00pm

1. Hosts for upcoming BCMEA events:

- a. 2011-12 Audition Host – Neshaminy (Maple Point MS) – January 21, 2012 (confirmed) – HS in AM; MS in PM
- b. 2011-12 Festival Host – Central Bucks – March 1-3, 2012 (confirmed) instrumental concert – 1:00pm (CB West); choral concert 4:30pm (CB West)
- c. 2012-2013 Audition Host – discussion about the following possibilities - Archbishop Wood HS – instrumental; Pennridge – vocal (Monday evening rather than Saturday) or someone to host both auditions on the same day; president, Dave Bachart, will poll the membership to see if anyone would be willing to host both before deciding to pursue split auditions
- d. 2012-2013 Need Festival Host!

2. Two positions open in the BCMEA leadership – Treasurer, Vice President; Stephanie Hall was elected during the meeting as our new treasurer; THANK YOU to Derek Cressman for his fine work in serving as our treasurer for the past several years; Dave Bachart will send an email to ascertain who might be interested in serving as vice president of the organization

3. Membership Dues – please remember to pay your membership dues; these dues must be paid in order for your students to audition or participate in festivals; membership forms are located on the BCMEA website (bcmea.org); please note that dues (\$12.00) should be sent to our new treasurer at the following address:

Stephanie Hall  
Archbishop Wood HS  
655 York Rd. Warminster, PA 18974  
[shall@archwood.org](mailto:shall@archwood.org)

4. Discussion to raise the cost of student participation fees to \$20.00 – Paul Daniels makes motion to raise fee to \$20.00, Betty Hohwieler seconds, motion passed

5. Amendment to the Audition Requirements – reads as follows:

*Students that audition for the BCMEA festivals and are accepted will be expected to perform in the festival. If a student does not attend the festival they will be excluded from the following year's audition and festival process. All*

*absences from the festival will be looked at on a case-by-case basis and discussed by the BCMEA executive board. School districts are still accountable for all fees whether or not the student(s) attends.*

Carolyn Williams makes motion made to adopt amendment, Phyllis Arnold seconds – motion passed

6. Treasurer's report (Derek Cressman) – current checking \$5851.92/savings \$1076.90; Reminder to pay dues - \$12 – send to new treasurer; please check to make sure that your school has paid registration fees for the 2011 Festival.

7. Dave Bachart will poll the membership regarding start time of future meetings. Here are future meeting DATES – January 21, 2012 (meeting at festival auditions), March 15, 2012 (general meeting/debrief on festival), June 4, 2012 (general meeting)

8. Choral audition (HS) – “He Watching Over Israel” ONLY; HS horn audition is the 1<sup>st</sup> movement ONLY of the Mozart

9. Please check website for updates and important information! Also, be sure to let Dave Bachart know of any concerts, etc., at your school and he will see that these events are advertised on the website.

10. String Day – information included on next page – please contact Karol Mannherz if you have any specific questions

11. Meeting adjourned – 7:20pm; motion- Diane King second – Derek Cressman; motion passed

Respectfully submitted,

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STRING DAY JOBS FOR 24th ANNIVERSARY  
November 5, 2011  
Newtown Middle School

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