

East Tennessee



Performing Arts Association

MINUTES

September 18, 2017

Heritage High School Band Room

10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Units Represented: Alcoa; Bearden; Farragut; Gibbs; Halls; Hardin Valley Academy; Heritage; Jefferson County; Karns; Karns Middle; Maryville; Oak Ridge; Powell; Seymour; West; William Blount

I. Reading and Approval of May 13, 2017 Minutes

May 13, 2017 Minutes were read by Jana Hanson; minutes were approved. (Please note that minutes are available online at the ETPAA website.)

II. Financial Report

Financial report was given by Jana Hanson. Current balance is \$6,014.12. A more detail ledger may be requested by any member. The financial report was approved.

III. New for 2018

Based on proposals, the following items are new to ETPAA in 2018:

- ETPAA membership fees are \$300.00. Membership fees increase to \$400.00 after December 16, 2017.
- New percussion middle school class
- Dedicated loading and unloading area for percussion at contest sites
- Recaps will be provided to directors prior to critique. Our very best effort will be made to provide directors with commentary prior to critique.
- Championships will have a double panel of judges

IV. WGI Circuit Partner Symposium

Vic Truscelli attended the WGI Circuit Partner Symposium in New Orleans. Notes from the symposium are attached.

V. Ad Hoc Committee Chair Reports

a. Qualifier Clinic

The qualifier clinic suggested to have a clinic separate from the Qualifier, which would provide more focus for designers and instructors. Finding a host will be an issue.

b. Judges Task Force

The judges task force has expanded a list of judges for ETPAA's judging pool. The task force also recommends additional training for local judges, which is something the education committee has discussed as well.

c. Education Committee

The education committee suggests having the Educational Symposium following the December meeting. The symposium could cover a variety of topics, not only valuable to directors and instructors but for our local judges as well.

VI. Website Members Only Page

This page requires log-in access for approved members. ETPAA would like directors and staff to have access. Sensitive information such as e-mail addresses and possibly entire WGI handbooks would be available.

VII. 2018 Contest Dates

The following contest dates were chosen:

January 20, 2018 – Clinic/Field Day

January 27, 2018 -- Qualifier

February 10, 2018

February 24, 2018

March 3, 2018

March 10, 2018

March 24, 2018

April 7, 2017 – Championships

Bidding deadline for Championships is November 17, 2017.