Junior High All-District VII Director’s Meeting

Saturday, March 3, 2014

Abingdon High School

* The meeting was called to order by Jessica Snow, Jr. High District Chairperson at 9:35 am.
* Jamie Eggleston was thanked for hosting this event.
* A request was made for a tambourine player – Paula Shelton volunteered and a request for a male director to narrate *Give Us Hope* – Terry Hall volunteered.
* Ashley McLaughlin & David Carroll volunteered to take down chairs and help set up the stage for the concert.
* Directors were reminded to pick up certificates and medals.
* District Assessment will be held at Patrick Henry High School on March 21, 2014 with David Carroll hosting. David requested a meeting following this meeting for those involved in Assessment to go over details for that day.
* Jr. High Auditions for 2014 will be on Saturday, November 1, 2014. Audition piece will be *Ave Maria* by Arcadelt Arranger: Leavitt. Students will sing from the beginning to the bottom of page 6 (mm 27) **once** for the audition. The auditions will be held at Patrick Henry High School with David Carroll hosting. Registration will begin at 8:00 am, Director’s Meeting at 8:30 am and Auditions will begin at 9:00 am. Our backup site will be Grayson County High School with Lynn Roberts & Teresa Nale as hosts. If we are at Grayson Co., the following times will be used: 9:00-Registration; Director’s Meeting-9:30; and Auditions-10:00. FYI- Audition piece for 2015 is *Kyrie* arranged by Audrey Snyder.
* A motion was made by Chandra Harmon and seconded by David Carroll to change Audition Procedures. Concerns were voiced about the length of the day. Options were offered to have both a morning audition and an afternoon audition. After lengthy discussion, Angela Talbert called for the question and a vote was taken with 8 yes votes and 15 no votes. Angela Talbert made a motion and Tim Woolwine seconded to rearrange the Registration Process to include online registration. After discussion, Raejean Harman called for the question and the motion carried.
* Jr. High Event for 2015 will be on Friday, March 6 and Saturday March 7, 2015. Snow dates will be March 13-14 (Friday & Saturday), 2015. The event will be held at the Holiday Inn in Bristol, VA with Raejean Harman being in charge of the Site and Ashley McLaughlin being the Host. Back up Site and Host will be Ashley McLaughlin at E. B. Stanley Middle School in Abingdon, VA. There will be a block of rooms for housing students.
* A motion was made by Cindy Freeman and seconded by Robin Brickey to make the 2015 at the Holiday Inn a trial run to make sure everything runs smoothly before committing to this venue for a combined event with Sr. High. Motion carried.
* A motion was made by Cindy Freeman and seconded by Angela Talbert to use the Director suggestions for each choir from previous years to secure directors for next year’s event. Motion carried.
* A motion was made by Brandy Baxter and seconded by Tim Woolwine to form a committee to implement sight reading into the auditions. Motion carried.
* Reminder of the Fall Director’s Meeting on Saturday, September 6, 2014 at the Riverfront Café in Chilhowie, VA at 12 noon.
* Meeting was recessed at 10:37 a.m.

Session 2 was readjourned at 12:35 pm

* A motion was made by Raejean Harman and seconded by Tim Woolwine to raise the audition fee from $2 to $5 per student. Motion passed.
* The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin E. Brickey