# NABBA Board of Directors Meeting

October 2-3,2015 Fort Wayne, Indiana Courtyard Marriott

## Friday, October 2, 2015

6:03 p.m. Meeting called to order by Randi Bulla (President)

*In attendance* (Quorum met)

Bulla, Randi (President) Jones, Betsy (Vice President) Jones, David (Secretary) Lutterbie, Ron (Treasurer) Cocker-Hunt, Anita Gay, Nathan Murray, Russell Gaddy, Jeremy Horne, Nigel North, Sara

Wohlman, Kate Lipton, Jamie (7:45 p.m.) Woodard, Bob (Saturday morning)

Not in attendance:

Muth, Lisa Collier, Joel Fisher, Daniel Kroesche, Kenneth Stees, Kevin

Board went on tour of the Grand Wayne Center and Embassy Theatre

### PRESENTATION of 2016 Championship venues by David Jones

- 1. Recommendation- Use Embassy Theatre for Main Stage of 2016 Championships
- 2. Recommendation- Use Anthony Wayne Ballroom (Grand Wayne Center) for 2<sup>nd</sup> stage and solo and Ensemble
- 3. Recommendation- Solos at Harrison A-E (Grand Wayne Center)
- 4. Recommendation- Solo warm-up and storage in Jefferson A (Grand Wayne Center)
- 5. Recommendation- Vendors in Indiana Hotel Lobby
- 6. Recommendation- Hoosier Room for band warm-up
- 7. Recommendation- All ticketing, credentials and Registration handled by Embassy Box Office.
- 8. Recommendation- Concessions will be available in the Embassy Lobby and Grand Wayne Lobby (provided by Hilton)

### **ACTIONS**

- 1. Jeremy Gaddy will develop a Vendor Contract
- 2. Dave Jones will look into carpeting and pipe and draping for vendor area and Hoosier Room
- 3. Percussion equipment should have identification- Frank North

No Motion was taken on venue report

## PRESENTATION of Treasurer's Report by Ron Lutterbie

- 1. 2015 Championships turned a profit
- 2. Discussion of judges compensation
- 3. Ron Passed out 2016 Budget Draft

#### ACTIONS

- 1. Randi- book flights for judges
- 2. Dave- Arrange for local transportation to and from airport

MOTION- Move to approve Treasurer's Report (Randi) Second (Russell) Approved 12-0

DISCUSSION on role of Contest Controller led by Randi Bulla

#### **ACTIONS**

- 1. Nigel H. and Nate G. appointed as non-compensated co-contest Controllers
- 2. Rico Belotti will be asked by Nugel to serve as a Controller
- 3. Randi B. and Ron L are working on Standard Operating procedures of the Board
- 4. List of Responsibilities listed by Randi B. and Betsy J. (see ACTIVITIES AND TASKS later in meeting)

DISCUSSION of amateur status of band members (payment to individuals) as per letter from Tom Gillette.

#### **ACTIONS**

- 1. NABBA Board will include reminder of amateur status rules to each band in its application for the Competition. This will include the possibility of a disqualification penalty if the rule is violated.
- 2. Contest Controllers will investigate any alleged violation the amateur status rules and rule accordingly. Discretion will be given to "student" members of each group.

PRESENTATION of Communications and Publications Committee by Betsy Jones RECOMENDATIONS

- 1. *Brass Band Bridge* is in transition to a new editor
- 2. *Programs* will be done by Pat Herak
- 3. Website will be transitioned to the Secretary and/ or VP
- 4. *Social Media* will continue to be monitored by Betsy Jones and Randi Bulla with Nigel Horne monitoring the Twitter account.
- 5. All Domains should be under the direction of the Executive Committee

ACTION-Follow up on Social Media Randi Bulla

Adjournment at 10:06 p.m. by unanimous vote

#### Saturday October 3, 2015

9:36 a.m. Meeting called to order by Randi Bulla, Bob Woodard joined group

DISCUSSION of Mission Statement of NABBA

PRESENTATION of Music Committee by Betsy Jones in Lieu of Kevin Stees

MOTION Accept the following test pieces for 2016 Championships (motion passed 10-yes, 1-no, 2-abstain)

Championship Section-From Ancient Times by Jan Van der Roost (De Haske)

1<sup>st</sup> section-**The Alchymist's Journal** by Kenneth Hesketh (Faber Music)

2<sup>nd</sup> section- Fanfares and Love Songs by Gavin Higgins (Faber Music)

3<sup>rd</sup> section- **The Graces of Love** by Oliver Waespi (Beriato Music

Youth Section- Ravenhill Suite by Dorothy Gates (Salvation Army USA Eastern Territory)

### RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Get out music suggestions earlier.
- 2. No multiple music committee members from a band.
- 3. Order scores for adjudicators and clear ASCAP-Jeremy Gaddy

## RFP PRESENTATIONS for 2017-18 Championship venues

- 1. Virginia Beach, Virginia
- 2. Columbia, South Carolina
- 3. Kansas City, Missouri
- 4. Fort Wayne, Indiana

No action was taken, as the RFP is open until December 31, 2015

#### LUNCH and COMMITTEE MEETINGS

2:25 p.m. Meeting called to order by Randi Bulla

PRESENTATION of Contest Committee by Nigel Horne

## RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Results of Solo and Ensemble Competition made public
- 2. Improve recording of judges comments by using hand held devices- Don Bookout will look into this.
- 3. Make there are no ties in Solo and Ensemble Competition
- 4. Use local students as "Runners" for all Competition results
- 5. Recommended Adjudicators- Jamie Hood, Bill Himes, Eric Alexander, James Goulet, Pete Meecham, Scott Verduin, Ron Waiksnorris
- 6. 10% rule to apply to non- percussionist (only) in each band. This is a rule change. ACTION Nigel Horne
- 7. Adjudicators evaluation Ron and Jeremy
- 8. Scheduling done by Pat Herek
- 9. Jamie and Randi will chair solo and ensemble competition
- 10. Improvements to be made to Competition application. All done electronically and use of Pay Pal for payment of entry.
- 11. Steve Bulla will handle accompanist scheduling on Thursday and Friday.

PRESENTATION of Development Committee (Kate Wohlman)

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Standardize 10 piece instrumentation to 4-cornet 1-tenor horn 1-trombone 1-bass trombone 1-euphonium 1-Eb tuba 1-percussion

- 2. Silver Bells
- 3. Develop a NABBA reading band for direction on music
- 4. Streaming video of competition

### PRESENTATION of Vendor Committee (Anita Cocker-Hunt)

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Stamp cards should be brought back.
- 2. Thursday load in for 2016 Championships
- 3. Hours of load-in and operation of vendors will be on brochure.\
- 4. Action- Contract for Vendors will developed (Ron)
- 5. \$250 donation for International Music Camp for Anita
- 6. Action-Set up Vendor area (Dave)

DISCUSSION of merits of long term or permanent home for NABBA Competitions (Dave Jones)

No action taken

### ACTIVITIES AND TASKS (Randi Bulla and Betsy Jones)

- 1. Band Registration and e-file- Jeremy and Ron
- 2. Ordering Tee Shirts including volunteers- Sarah
- 3. Printing RFP- Pat Herak
- 4. Program-Pat Herak
- 5. Recording RFP- Ron Video-Betsy
- 6. Distributing DVD- Recording Company
- 7. Venues-David
- 8. Insurance-Ron
- 9. Piano Rental –David
- 10. Scores to Judges-Jeremy
- 11. NABBA Library to website-Nigel
- 12. Sign Printing- David with Visit Fort Wayne
- 13. Recording and storage- Don
- 14. Embassy and Grand Wayne Contract- Ron
- 15. ASCAP- Jeremy
- 16. Hotels for judges-Randi
- 17. NABBA merchandise sales- Sara and Frank
- 18. Fee-Paul Duffy
- 19. Trophies-Sara and Russell
- 20. Shirts to volunteers- Barb B.
- 21. All Fees collected-Ron
- 22. P.O. Box- Ron
- 23. Web Domain Hosting-Nigel
- 24. Board Meeting March 31 Venue- David
- 25. Silver Bells payment-Ron
- 26. Pay Pal set up –Ron
- 27. Contest Controller- Nigel

- 28. E card and 501c3- Ron
- 29. Pictures- Frank
- 30. Merchadise tables- Barb Bertsch
- 31. Local contest coordinator- David
- 32. Contest Controller feed back-Nigel Penalty for non- numbered measures in score
- 33. Band adjudicator packet- Betsy
- 34. Spending policy- Ron
- 35. Solo and Ensemble envelopes- Sara
- 36. Board meeting survey- Kate
- 37. Solo and Ensemble-Randi and Jeremy

MOTION to appoint nominating committee passed 13-0 Chairman Jeremy and Anita

5:05 p.m. MOTION to adjourn passed 13-0

Minutes submitted by David Jones, Secretary