

SWKMEA Director's Meeting  
November 4, 2017  
1:30 Directors Meeting  
35 Teachers Attending

I. Greetings and introductions

II. Chair Reports

A. Jazz Band (Jacob Miller)

i. Numbers

- a. We could use rhythm section auditions in the future
- b. Horns normal
- c. In the perfect world, more of everything.
- d. Audition by number: 6 Alto, 8 tenor, 3 Bari, 8 trumpet. 6 trombone, 1 piano, 1 guitar, 2 bass, 3 drum set.
- e. Roster – 2 alto, 2 tenor, 1 bari, 4 trumpet, 4 trombone, 1 piano, 1 guitar, 1 bass, 2 drum set

ii. Saxophones and Brass doing well with auditions.

iii. Dr. Craig Treinen (Washburn University - Topeka) is the clinician.

- a. Miller quote... "He's been doing this a long time, but he has the energy of a guy a straight out of school,. I've never seen a teacher meet every student on their level and give them encouragement like he [Treinen] does."

B. MS Orchestra (Whitney Maxwell)

i. 52 auditions and 48 students in the orchestra today.

- a. Balance was good this year.

ii. Laura Hutchins (Robinson MS – Wichita) is the clinician.

- a. Maxwell quote... "She's giving a lot of crazy analogies to the students and making it fun for them."

C. MS Band (Katie Sperry)

i. 107 auditioned, which is down.

ii. Steve Lueth (Barton County CC – Great Bend) is the clinician.

- a. Sperry quote... "The kids are so respectful and quite this year."

III. Talking points for our district. Ask for any nominations for chair positions

A. Are there anymore nominations for elect chairs?

i. None taken at the meeting.

IV. Nominations for SW KMEA Board

A. We will need from the district is Chair-Elect nominee's for our MS Choir, HS Choir, HS Jazz Band, and HS Orchestra. These will serve as chair-elect for the 2018-2019 school year and then become acting chair for 2019-2021. President Elect nominations as well.

B. We will also need nominees for our last set of Chairs for HS Band, MS Band, MS Orchestra, Elementary Choir. These people will serve as Chairs for 2018-2020 and in 2019. We will vote in Chair Elects for these positions who will serve for 2019-2020 and then take the Chair position for the years 2020-2022.

VI. Future Voting

A. Policy will need to be voted on and will be posted on the SWKMEA website for directors to read before we vote.

VII. Committee for MS Lit

a. We will be forming a committee to review and refine the MS Band Audition Literature.

b. President Wade will email the members who want to be a part of the committee.

VIII. Other Items

A. Festival Scores – anything you would like to see? How did it work for the directors this year? Any kinks that we still need to look at?

B. Reminder to send invoice in with payments to avoid a fee.

C. No notes from the President at today's meeting. Mike Quilling will be providing notes at the December mini convention.

D. The Advo-Angle – Our very own Kelly Knedler!

i. The Advo-Angle is located at [www.ksmea.org/advocacy](http://www.ksmea.org/advocacy)

ii. New Article about Advocacy in this newest issue of the Kansas Music Review (KMR) at:

<http://kansasmusicreview.com/2017/10/31/kmea-advo-angle-from-kmea-advocacy/>

E. Change to mentoring program. Let's make sure that we get teachers connected.

F. There has been a lot of directors that have changed positions or new teachers in the district. If you have not received any email from myself or your chair please get in contact with me immediately following today's meeting so that we can make sure that you are on the proper email lists.