Minutes
Missouri Alliance for Arts Education
State Board Meeting
Missouri Regional Library, Jefferson City, Missouri
Saturday, August 24, 2013
Prepared by Michael Dove, Secretary

Attending: Alice Bloch, Michael Dove, Kyna Iman, Ben Martin, Jeff Sandquist, Connie Shoemaker, Julie Hale, Steve Williams, Mikelle Cortez, Bruce Dickerson, Pam Schnake. Guests: SMArts students - Jessica Laney teacher with Caleb Codding, Clair Johnson, Lindbergh HS; Mitchell Brady, Morgan Long, Rolla High School; and Khalil Odums, Paseo Academy

The Chair, Jeff Sandquist, called the meeting to order. He welcomed and introduced the Board and Guests. Please send any ROSTER updates to Jeff Sandquist jsndqst@fidnet.com

The Minutes of the June 13, 2013 Board Meeting (including Executive Committee meeting) were approved July 14, 2013.

Treasurer's Report (J. Sandquist/B. Martin) There is a balance $65,394.61 as of 8/23/13.

FY 14 Budget Update – Report on Treasurer Position: This position is currently still open. Sandquist has talked to a possible candidate, but is still awaiting a final decision on whether the candidate is willing to take on the position. The board will be informed as the process continues.

Importance of Board member Contributions: Board member contributions (as evidence of membership) is one area that grant reviewers consider. Members of the MAAE Board are encouraged to also join MAAE as members (at any monetary level). The chair recognizes the fact that all serve on the board at their own expense, and invest both time, and personal resources to attend MAAE meetings and activities.

Organization Reports

MAC – Julie Hale needs readers for grants.

Collaborative – Julie Hale stated the Collaborative would be meeting October 25, 2013 and Steve Williams will be presenting a White Paper on the National Standards for Fine Arts.

SEADAE – Steve Williams will be representing Missouri on the State Education Agency Directors of Arts Education. This is an organization of the state arts representatives from the 50 state governments. They are having a meeting in September that Steve will be attending.
MCDA – Bruce Dickerson reported that they had a great conference in July. There were many good presenters. He stated that there is a new emphasis on literacy and discussion on sight-reading at contest.

MOThespians – Mikelle Cortez reported that their state conference would be in January.

STAM – Pam Schnake stated that their conference is at the end of September. One of the MAAE Common Core Workshops will occur at the end of their conference.

MAEA – Connie Shoemaker reported on their summer leadership meeting. They are applying for MAC grants. The fall conference will be in October.

MDO – Alice Bloch informed the board about the MDO June conference. The focus was on Common Core. Sean Layne (Kennedy Center Actor) will be coming to St. Louis to work with teachers. He is a very creative artist the connects really well with people. Julie Hale stated that Shawn worked with Springfield R-XII teachers last year and that they conveyed to her that it was the best professional development they have ever had.

Web site Updates: Ben Martin and Connie Shoemaker reported on the new look for the MAAE website. The background will be white and photographs will be added. The old logo will be replaced.

### Reports on Meetings Attended by Representatives of MAAE

1. **SBOE Report** – Ben Martin - Update on Accredited with distinction. They are looking for a way to recognize districts that go above and beyond. The board had difficulty with measuring or finding evidence in the arts. Some wanted to cut everything and go with 90% on APR for 3 consecutive years. The DESE representative reminded them that the Board originally set it up to emphasize the arts.

2. **Francis Family Foundation** – Ben Martin met with the head of the foundation. They definitely want to continue their financial support of MAAE.

3. **Accredited with Distinction meeting** - Connie Shoemaker added that there is no stated purpose for accreditation on the DESE website. If accreditation is defined then “accredited with distinction” will make more sense. There was discussion on what position MAAE should take on this position. Ben Martin read a possible point system that could be used. He wants to refine it and send it to DESE. Pam Schnake made a motion that “MAAE recommends at a minimum that districts must meet the published Resource and Process Standards in order to receive accreditation with distinction”. Alice Bloch seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
4. **Educator Quality Professional Association Focus Group** – Connie Shoemaker reported that the new teacher evaluation process was approved. This may change the accreditation process for new teachers.

**New Business**

**By Laws Update Report** – Jeff Sandquist

**FY 13 Veto Session Report** – Kyna Iman stated that the veto session would begin on September 9, 2013.

**SEADAE Liaison**: Steve Williams reported on the topics being discussed at SEADAE. The SEADAE website (seadae.org) has a white paper (research in progress) on the front page that recommends that schools should have certified arts teachers but that they can still bring in outside professional arts to help.

**2014 Artscards** Jeff Sandquist and Connie Shoemaker requested ideas for new Artscards. The idea is to use the first one to emphasize the Capitol Art Project.

**Capitol Art Project** Today during the meeting, three volunteers put up the frames for the art works. In the future, Senators will be choosing art from their district to appear in the frames. Photos of performing groups can be sent to smennemeyer@hotmail.com

**Show-Me Arts Group** - (B. Martin and SMArt Representatives) SMArt reps retire to work on tasks.

1) Effective Use of Facebook and web site
2) Recruiting additional members and chapters
3) Logos, By-Laws,
4) SMArts State Summit  March 11, 2014
5) MCA Citizen’s Day

**ELI** (Education Leadership Institute) was a program that the National Endowment of the Arts created to bring in successful leaders in their fields and teach leadership principles to arts leaders from participating states. We still have Francis Family Foundation money in reserve designated to ELI. Julie Hale and Steve Williams will be meeting with the head of the NEA next month. They will find out more about ELI.

**Executive Directors Report** – Ben Martin asked if anyone had any questions for him. He is very happy with the way things have been going. There seems to be a good relationship developing with the State Board of Education (SBOE). Ben is working with Missouri Association of Health Physical Education Recreation and Dance to become a new member organization. The SBOE has adopted a new educator evaluation system. It does include student data, however the student data will be relevant to the content area not ELA or math. The teacher will be able to work with administrator on what student (content) data will be collected.
Research Projects – Ben Martin has been in contact with Leslie Schueler whose company conducted the previous two projects. She is interested in “The effects of arts infusion on student scores”. There was discussion on possible issues with the methodology. The consensus was to ask for more information on the study before making a decision.

Advisory Council Report – Vicki Bean sent a report on her work and a sample letter. The main ideas:
1. The board will vote to approve members
2. Two year term (may be extended)
3. Invited to and recognized at Fine Arts Day
4. Send them all information and meeting notices as appropriate

FY 14 Advocacy Agenda – Keyna Iman discussed changes that were made so that the language in the advocacy document is consistent. It was decided to move the “Fund and fill a full-time position of Fine Arts Consultant in DESE” from the MO General Assembly section to the State Board of Education section. The item “Support Missouri Arts Council” is currently being worked on in the General Assembly.

FY 14 Professional Development workshops – The schedule will be finished when the date for the Levels 2 & 3 at Juanita K Hammons in Springfield is confirmed.

MAC ACCELERATE Grant – Ben Martin explained that this is a $1,500 grant to help improve operations. Each board member will have to take a survey due on September 29th.

FRANCIS FAMILY 2014 Grant Proposal – Jeff Sandquist led off with a discussion on the grant application to the Francis Family Foundation. The grant application is due August 29, 2013. We are asking for an increase from $30,000 to $50,000. It will include funding for a new study, professional development for arts teachers, and advocacy.

FAED 14 – Wednesday March 12, 2014 10th Anniversary FAED.

Preliminary Planning:
- Develop a Scavenger Hunt
- Performing Ensembles
- Awards Presentation
- Lunch Coordination
- Special 10th Anniversary Events

FY 14 SMArts Activities (SMArts Reps) The SMArts representatives reported that they need more time to accomplish the tasks they were given. They will be working on them in their local chapters and report back to us.

Make Music Missouri Jeff Sandquist reported that the Pilot show is completed and ready for distribution and broadcast. Requests for submissions for future programs have gone out to choral directors. Still need to send them to band and jazz band directors.
Alliance Mentoring Project Jeff Sandquist

Partnership with MAEA, MBA, MCDA, MDO, STAM, MoThespians. The concept is to provide mentoring for ALL new fine arts educators. This would include mentor visit(s), attendance at a fall new teacher professional development event, and membership dues for affiliate organization membership for first year. Affiliates would be responsible for the following:

- Identify Mentoring Chair to work with Alliance Mentor Program Coordinator
- Identify suitable mentors in the subject area, assist with assigning mentors
- Possibly provide memberships for new teachers

MAAE would provide:

- Program Coordinator to work with Mentoring Chairs
- Assistance in identifying NEW teachers
- Mentor Training
- Fall Professional Development Event
- Funding for Mentor visits and the program

Target date for implementation: Fall of 2014

Meeting Adjourned

Upcoming Meetings: Saturday, January 11, 2014
FAED March 12, 2014
Thursday, June 5, 2014