Minutes
Missouri Alliance for Arts Education
State Board Meeting
Capitol Arts Building, Jefferson City, Missouri
Saturday, August 26, 2017
Prepared by Michael Dove, Secretary

Attending: Ed Grooms (MAAE Professional Development Director), Jeff Sandquist (MAAE President), Ben Martin (MAAE Executive Director), Connie Shoemaker (MAAE Vice President), Michael Dove (MAAE Secretary), Bruce Dickerson (MAAE Treasurer), Roger Kelley (MAAE Advisory Board), Joseph Keeny (MoASTA), Aaron Money (Liberty Public Schools), Kim Pirtle (MBA), Tom Tobias (DESE), Ron Jennings (MAAE & SLPS), Julie Hale (MAC), Daniel Hellman (SMTE), Natasia Sexton (MAC), Nathan Rudolph (MCDA), Brad Rackers (STAM), Kyna Man (MAAE/MCA Lobbyist), Teri Turner (MoThespians) Bob Gifford (MAAE Founder), Robert Battle (Missouri Fine Arts Academy)

Initial Actions

Jeff Sandquist called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. He welcomed and introduced the Board and Guests. The Consent Agenda and MAC opportunities were emailed and will be available with the minutes. (See External Documents) Not in the Consent Agenda: Joseph Keeny reported that MOASTA is preparing for the All-State auditions. They have $10,000 that was given for scholarships. These scholarships are given to students that will be majoring in music education. Michael Dove contacted the Orff and Kodaly chapters in Kansas City and St. Louis. They have given permission to have their workshop dates published in the MAAE minutes and report any concerns to music education in their areas.

The Past

The Minutes of the June 10, 2017 Board Meeting were approved July 1, 2017.

Treasurer’s Report:
Bruce Dickerson presented a detailed treasurer’s report (See External Document). We came in $30,000 under budget in the last fiscal year. Bob Gifford made a motion to approve the treasurer’s report as presented. Connie Shoemaker seconded. There was unanimous approval.

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Current Issues

Jeff Sandquist reported that donors to MAAE can now specify 20% of their donations to the member organization’s scholarship programs. The form has been updated on the MAAE website to allow this action.

FY18 Budget Report:
The FY18 Budget Report was presented. Ben Martin walked the board through the report. Connie Shoemaker made a motion to approve the FY18 Budget Report as presented. Brad Rackers seconded. There was unanimous approval.

Advocacy Agenda for FY18:
Kyna Iman gave her agenda report.
- The Non-Resident Professional Athletes and Entertainers Tax will sunset in 2020. We will add language to have it re-approved.
- Add “specific funds dedicated to arts education programs”. This language will be worked out later.
- MSIP 6 may drop elementary music and art from 60 minutes to 50 minutes per week. Middle school will go from 1500 minutes to zero. MSIP 6 will be posted on the DESE website for comments.
- Changed “mandate” to “encourage” professional development for the arts.
- Take our “as defined by the Kennedy Center” since we have our own definition of arts integration.

Connie Shoemaker made a motion to accept the key points as discussed for the FY18 Advocacy Agenda”. Bob Gifford seconded. There was unanimous approval.

The Missouri Arts Council received $4.8 million.

Kyna is working on getting the appointments made for the Standards work group. The Governor still needs to appoint 4 educators and 4 parents

Arts Integration Committee
Bob Gifford reported on the recent work of the Arts Integration Committee (See external document).
- Getting everyone to adopt the definition of arts integration is the next challenge.
- Resources for Arts Integration are located the MAAE website.
KC Metro Arts Integration Symposium
Aaron Money reported that a symposium was held in Kansas City with 100 teachers from both Kansas and Missouri. There were about 80% general education teachers and the rest were arts educators. They will be continuing to meet throughout the year. Next year's symposium has already been scheduled.

COCA in St. Louis had similar results. Tom Tobias reported that they asked the presenters to clearly identify which standards were being integrated. The results of the survey show that the teachers really appreciated the identification of the standards in each session.

MAAE Professional Development Program:
Ed Grooms reported that there was high engagement and very positive feedback in the Professional Development Seminars. The STEAM PD at the Springfield RPDC was very successful and will hopefully spread to the other centers this year.

Ed showed the new dev.educate.today website that will span all subject areas including integration. It is free. The videos are only 3 minutes. Each video has student and teacher resources which include: Standards, Objectives, Resources, etc. Ed Grooms is helping to edit the videos.

DESE Update MSIP 6:
Dan Hellman reported on the 5 days of meetings he attended with the MSIP 6 committee.
- We are moving away from a test based to system to a more holistic system. However it has to work within the current standards.
- The plan is to require 50 minutes per week in elementary instead of 60 minutes per week.
- Middle school must require “access” to arts classes but they are not required to take an arts class.
- They are going to leave 750 students as the highest number for one teacher’s load.

Show Me Arts Report
Teri Turner reported on the 2017 ShowMeArts Summit.
- For the first time we had a college group participate in the ShowMeArts Summit.
- They teach students about the issues and role-play discussions.
- During Fine Arts day they meet with Senators and Representatives and are recognized on the floor of the house.
- They may change the letter writing to thank you cards. Roger Kelley suggested that they use the ELA standard of peer review and put letters on the wall for other students to read and use as a template. Kyna Iman suggested sticky notes with short statements like “I like playing the trombone!” and put it on the door of their Senator or Representative.

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-Because of our success The Educational Theater Association is using our model to form a guide for other states to create a Fine Arts Advocacy Day. Georgia and Kansas are working on one for this year.

**National Arts in Education Week September 10-16**
- Brian Kisida’s research is quoted. He is currently working at MU and may do some research for MAAE.
- Jeff Sandquist encouraged each of the organizations to do more to promote this week.

**Exec Directors Report** - (See External Document)
- Ben Martin reported on his schedule, activities, etc.
- Americans for the Arts put out a new study (7 communities in Missouri contributed) on the Arts & Economic Prosperity 5. The specific Missouri report is on their website.
- There are many awards available check out the MAAE website.

Ben mentioned the following journals that include Arts Integration:
- Arts Link (Americans for the Arts)
- National Art Education Association News
- Art Education (The Journal of the National Art Education Association)
- Teaching Theatre

Ben is organizing the history of MAAE in binders.

**MISSOURI FINE ARTS ACADEMY**
Guest Robert Battle, Faculty Missouri Fine Arts Academy gave a report and answered questions about the situation of the Missouri Fine Arts Academy.
- There have been struggles with MSU as the host school. Promised meeting spaces went into renovation without communication. They will not let the academy fund raise on campus. Dietary requirements were not fulfilled.
- State funding is inconsistent. Students are promised that it will be free and then the Governor cuts the funds and students must be contacted.
- One possible solution would be to become a 501c3 organization separate from the university.
- The cost of the Academy this year for 150 students was $240,000. That was very minimal.
- Becoming independent would allow them to seek funding from MAC and other organizations.
- Possibly they could rename the academy to provide a clean start.
- Tom Tobias suggested that we just ask DESE if they believe they have ownership.
- Robert Battle said that the academy needs to go back to its roots in providing free arts education to students who do not have the opportunity to study in their talent area.

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There was discussion about the possibility of using volunteers from member organizations to keep the Fine Arts Academy going next summer.

It is the feeling of the MAAE board that we actively work to make the Fine Arts Academy happen in 2019.

**The Future**

**Strategic Planning**
Ben presented the grant report sent to the Francis Family foundation.

**FAED 2018**
Artscards - any ideas Report to Jeff
Awards - Please promote. The application is on the MAAE website
Performances - Large ensembles are in the Rotunda. Solos and duets end up on the south steps.
Any and all board members are invited to help at the event.

Meeting Adjourned

**Meeting Schedule:**
Saturday, January 20, 2018
FAED Wednesday, March 28, 2018
Saturday, June 9, 2018