



LOS ANGELES SECONDARY MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (LASMTA)
P.O. BOX 34666 Los Angeles, CA 90034-9998

LASMTA MEETING

Date: January 24, 2017

Official Meeting Time: 6:00-8:00 pm

Palms Middle School

I. Called to Order by Julie West at 6:10pm.

II. Attendance: Julie West, Dan Taguchi, Juan Rodriguez, Dan Gruber, Susan Thiroux, Jose Fausto, Adam Roberts, Monica Chi, Tyson Swackhamer, Mark Johnsen, Brian Blanchard, Alex Ramirez, Rachel Lee, James Lownes, Al Nelson, Clemente Sanchez.

III. Reports

A. Approval of the Minutes from November

1. Motion to accept as amended made by Dan Gruber and seconded by Brian Blanchard. All approved.

B. Secretary's Report

1. The minutes were taken and typed by Juan Rodriguez.
2. Notified membership of January meeting via email.
3. Updated membership list includes 48 total members.

C. Treasurer's Report

1. Dan Taguchi presented that the total balance was \$11,042.04 in January.

D. President's Report

1. Elections coming up soon.
 - i. Mark Johnsen will be running the elections.
 - ii. All positions are open.
2. SCSBOA Conference
 - i. Congrats to Dan Taguchi for Veterans Award.
 - ii. Lots done to encourage attendance-how can we use these to increase our attendance?
 - a. Made it a two day event and charged less.
 - b. Offered cut rate to districts.
 - c. Offered discount attendance to NAMM show.

IV. Business

A. Local District West Festival-March 25th at Venice High School

B. LAUSD Instructional Festivals

1. Sign Up to Host on Google Doc.
 - i. Judges Fees will be paid by AEB.
 - ii. Schools are responsible for transportation.

C. LASMTA Student Opportunities

1. Scholarships

- i. Solo and Ensemble Festival March 25th at Hamilton H.S.
 - a. Solos, Duets, Trios or larger self directed ensemble that will play for a judge for a rating. There is an entry fee for this event, due March 7th.
- ii. Stewart Rupp-Scholarship opportunity for high school seniors going to college as music majors.
 - a. \$500 scholarship
 - b. Students write an essay.
- iii. Scholarships for Private Lessons-Audition based, award is to be used for private lessons in May 6th.



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D. Mentor/Mentee Program

1. Applications available.

V. New Business

A. David Young

1. Bass Workshop: Double Bass Day

VI. Best Practice

A. Julie West

1. Instrumental Music Strategies

VII. Next Meeting

- A. Monday, February 13th at Taft H.S., Drive thru parking lot, gate in back, go thru service road.
- B. Tuesday, March 14th at Liechty.
- C. Monday, April 24th at Bird.

VIII. Adjournment

- A. Mark moved to adjourn. Rachel seconds. Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Juan Rodriguez