

## SJMEA Minutes 4/24/2018

### Introductions

Jake Scherr shared a brief over-view of the agenda for the evening: Start with a presentation with Wind Works and then break into smaller groups

Andrea Paulson from Wind Works made a brief statement representing Wind Works. Request was made

Friday Harbor director made statement thanking for flexibility with island transportation. Request was issued to have festivals later in the week to accommodate for transportation issues. Orcas was unable to make it this year. Request to consider judges use numbers on scoring rubric in addition to the big numbers

Sutton made announcement of workshop for clock hours this weekend

Mitch shared his priorities with getting judges/events paid for, SJMEA prides itself in timeliness. Next priority to prepare for IRS. Event coordinators will be paid soon. Poul (Brass?) will be implementing new technology/webmaster position. Mitch will split pay. Brainstorming to happen to consolidate payments for events. Discussion to increase stipends for judges/accompanists/site-hosts/coordinators. To be discussed further at a later date. 4-5 weeks before financials will be posted, invoices will be delivered as well. This information was requested to be dispersed as email as well.

Kirstin Doud requested discussion regarding stipend increase be discussed with everyone present with relevance to elementary schools impacted as well.

Poul Brask proposed if we are flush the organization pay a sub-fee for event coordinators.

Kirstin proposed this fee be requested from schools as well in order to support music as well.

Jake Scherr raised question whether this is for board to vote on or if this is for the whole group to discuss.

Linda Moore raised question as to the impact on low-income schools and schools that can not currently afford to absorb event pay-hikes.

Mitch stated events are breaking even.

Andrea Brannman raised that events might actually be making profits

Laura Smith proposed a SJMEA scholarship if there are students who can't afford and if we are making income. Mitch stated that might be an issue to bring to WMEA. Could this be done at a smaller level

Sutton requested these ideas be tabled for the fall. Proposition was passed

Lori Bianco raised issue of what to do in the meantime if judges will be hired in May

Jake Scherr shared that we will be seeing website updates and celebrated growth in the program

Split into small groups