



SD-ACDA Executive Board Meeting Minutes

5:00 PM, Friday, January 17

Call to Order: 5:27

I. Role Call

Jon Nero, Jamee Kattner, Jennifer Loftin, Janice Gilbert, Denise Perry, Shane Wuebben, Whitney Wilson, Julie Fastnacht, Lorena Blom

II. Minutes

Saved in the Google Drive SDACDA folder.

III. Treasurer's Report –Shane Wuebben

Report handed out. Some bills have been paid since the date of the 13th.

Summer conference - budgeted to lose more than we did.

Janice moves to approve the treasurer's report. Lorena seconds. All approve. Motion carries.

IV. Jr. Honor Choir Update

A. Coordinators names on web site

- *Accompanist went home sick, Molly stepping in as accompanist.*
 - *Director's are both fantastic*
 - *3-year participants will be recognized in between performances*
 - *Dr. Charles Canaan will be recognized. He judged for 30+ years.*
 - *Possibly consider going back to the 4th weekend instead of the 3rd. Hotel is available, and it is before the stock-show.*
 - *Suggestions for directors are always welcome.*
 - *Changes to the schedule are in the works regarding rooms being ready.*
 - *Brainstorming fool-proof methods*
 - *Technology know-how needed to help streamline the registration process to avoid having students registering in the wrong choir.*
 - *update documents to pdf instead of a .docx or put link for Google Drive*
 - unexpected expenses that have come up:*
 - a) piano tuning (previously we haven't been charged)*
 - b) screen, projector, special line, etc., \$700*
 - c) bus drivers*
- Tea PAC possible performance facility in the future.*

V. Conferences & Honor Choirs

A. 2024 Summer Conference and Reunion Choir

Recommendation for 2029 - focus on the Reunion choir and forgo the conference.

- *went back-and-forth on whether or not to have a conference with the reunion choir:*
 - *going forward - do we scratch the conference on reunion choir years?*
 - *maybe incorporate a reading session, social hour on the same day and only ask for an hour or so?*

B. 2025 ACDA National Conference Dallas, TX from March 18-22 - "Celebrating the Choral Art: Past, Present, Future"

5 Honor Choirs (5-7 Treble, 7-10 Tenor Bass, 8-10 Treble, 11-12 Mixed, 11-12 Vocal Jazz)
SD Reception

C. 2025 SDACDA Summer Conference and Sr. Honor Choir in Aberdeen

Conference dates: Thursday, July 24 & Friday, July 25

- *a week earlier than previous years*



- Stacey Gross requested sticking with the earlier week for 2 years and giving West River a chance to submit a bid.

D. 2026 SDACDA Winter Conference - Rapid City
January 23 - 24, 2026, Rapid City, SD

VI. Membership Update

- A. 151 current members
- B. 14 lapsed members (some will renew)
- C. 3 (or 4) complimentary memberships still available

VII. NextDirection in Kenosha, WI in July

- A. July 14-18 is collegiate. July 16-18 is high school.
- B. Early bird deadline to register is March 14. Cost \$450
scholarships available
- C. Final deadline to register is April 11. Cost \$500
- D. Scholarships Process

VIII. Additional Items

A. Awards

*a great number of nominations this summer. Resubmit nominations every year.
Applications do not roll-over from year to year.*

B. Conference Planning Checklist (handout)

Visual checklist of who is expected to complete which task when.

Janice moves to adjourn the meeting at 6:25. Whitney seconded it. All approve. Motion carries.

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