

ChoDA Meeting
April 16, 2010

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- Introduction

Adrienne Meeker

- Doug Riddle (Coconino HS)- wife is VERY ill, would like to show support by sending a card. Doug has served on the ChoDA Board, run Solo and Ensemble, and been an active member of our organization.
- All-state- Thanks for helping everything run so smoothly. Remember to read all messages sent by Adrienne
- In regards to survey, most will stay the same,
 - Looking at setting a list of repertoire. Not going into effect this year, will be a process.
 - Live accompanist vs. recorded track- time delays in audition schedules are caused mostly because of the accompanist situations
 - Would like feedback on ChoDA providing live accompanists:
 - Auditions slots must be 4 minutes, Friday night will not be as available-get your requests in early!
 - Pros: timely, equitable, low-income schools and schools further away would benefit, with a buffer students could talk to accompanist beforehand.
 - Would everyone need to use the accompanists provided The accompanists works if there is a list.
 - Cons: preparation, teachers have worked hard to help students prepare, stress on students due to unfamiliarity of accompanists.
 - The board wants to accommodate as many as possible: but we are asking for understanding. Use the comment box on the registration forms. If you have specific needs, you must get your requests in early. Communicate to Adrienne or Greg, questions or comments

Julia Higgins

- Review of survey
 - Mostly high school, different experience levels, different regions
 - Key Areas addressed:
All-State Show/Jazz, participation and scheduling,
Regional and All-State audition process, scoring
Use of website, suggestions for changes
High School ChoDA festivals
Elementary/JH ChoDA festivals
AMEA Convention- your ideas and feedback are appreciated.
- Announced that Rick Bjella is the clinician for next years All-State Festival

Jen Wortman

- Discussed the current presidential term and presented the proposal for a four year term rather than a six year. This means: President Elect (1yr)-President (2yr)-Past President (1yr)
- Encourages everyone to attend the calendar meeting for AMEA
- Reminded constituents that AMEA is no longer affiliated with AIA.

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- Asked for questions/comments from the constituents
 - Concern of moving away the Jazz component from convention
 - Excitement to be able to attend convention.
 - New possibilities to implement the honor choir
 - Concern of what is offered at conventions – put on website!
 - Voice divisi for all-state