

UIL MUSIC REGION 8

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on June 24, 2024, at the Midway ISD Administration Building.

The meeting was called to order at 9:41am by acting chairman Michael Hope. Members present were Eric Eaks, Michael Hope, Karen Marshall, Bobby Ott and J. R. Proctor. Shane Downing and Joe Kucera were unable to attend the meeting. Also present were Executive Secretary Tony Clines and Associate Executive Secretary Darrell Umhoefer. Clines stated that Eaks, Marshall and Proctor have each agreed to serve another three-year term on the committee.

Proctor nominated Joe Kucera to continue to serve as chairman of the committee. Eaks moved and Ott seconded that nominations cease and that Kucera be elected chairman. The committee passed the vote unanimously for Kucera to remain as chairman.

Minutes of the July 13, 2023 meeting, the Zoom meeting held on March 19, 2024, and a listing of email votes taken in 2023-2024 were presented for review. Proctor moved to approve the minutes. Eaks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Clines next presented the statement of Receipts and Disbursements for 2023-2024, the Financial Statement for the year, the Awards Inventory and the statement of Net Worth. He told the committee that the report of the financial review being conducted by Joann Brown would be emailed to the committee when it has been completed following her receipt of the July bank statement. He would then email the report to the committee for their approval. Total receipts for the year were \$297,881.24. Total disbursements were \$298,666.22, leaving a negative balance of \$784.98. Entry fees still outstanding were \$1330 which would change the balance to a positive outcome if received by June 30. Clines also noted that \$14,980 listed as both a receipt and a disbursement for Area D Marching Contest gate receipts does not affect Region 8's finances. Clines is the contest chairman for the 2A and 3A Area D contests and deposits the cash gate receipts taken at those events into the Region 8 bank account. He then immediately writes a check from our account to mail to the Area D Executive Secretary. The Awards Inventory shows a total value of medals, trophies and plaques on hand of \$5,584.10. Combined with the region's cash balance in its bank account (\$39,057.16), the net worth of the region is \$44,641.26. Proctor moved that the four financial documents presented be approved. Marshall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The next item of business was setting entry fee amounts for Region 8 events. Clines told the committee that judge honorariums for all UIL music events would increase by \$50 per day per judge for 2024-2025. In addition, the fee for recording our concert and sight-reading evaluations would increase by \$150 per day and we have been told that the price for awards will increase but we have not been told by how much. He combined those increases with event costs for 2023-2024 to arrive at this list of proposed entry fees:

Marching Band	\$410
Orchestra	\$535
1A-4A Concert Band	\$500
5A-6A Concert Band	\$585
Middle School Band	\$515
High School Choir	\$420
Middle School Choir	\$435
Twirling	\$15 each solo and each ensemble member
Instrumental and Vocal	
Solo & Ensemble	\$10 each solo and each ensemble member
Medium Ensemble	\$100 per ensemble
Mariachi	\$425 (set by Region 5)
Late fee for solo and ens.	\$25 per event plus the \$10 entry fee

Karen Marshall brought up that middle school choirs have much smaller budgets than high school choirs. After discussion, Clines suggested just switching the amounts for high school and middle school. He said that with very similar numbers of entries, the impact on the region’s finances would be negligible. Marshall then moved to approve the amounts listed, switching the amount for high school choir to \$435 and the amount for middle school choir to \$420. Eaks seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Before determining the budget for 2024-2025, Clines presented a proposal from he and Umhoefer. The proposal was that each would keep their current title and responsibilities except that Umhoefer would take over the financial responsibilities of the region. Their salaries would be equal. After discussion, Eric Eaks moved to approve the proposal with the salary for each being set at \$31,000. Karen Marshall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

After a brief discussion of the proposed budget for 2024-2025, Marshall moved to approve the following budget and Eaks seconded the motion which passed unanimously:

Estimated Revenue:	
Entry Fees	\$292,000
Royalties Received	2,000
Interest Income	70
Credit Card Rewards	500
Total Estimated Revenue:	\$294,570

Estimated Expenses:	
Judge Honorarium & Travel	\$132,500
Event Expenses	43,000
Event Hosts & Workers	18,500
Executive Secretary Salary	31,000
Associate Exes. Sec. Salary	31,000
Office Expense	4,000
Financial Review	700
State UIL Office	6,500
Total Estimated Expenses:	\$293,700

The final item of business was approving the list of dates and sites for all of the Region 8 events for 2024-2025. Clines stated that a calendar committee meets prior to the spring Region 8 meeting of directors to determine dates and sites for our events. The dates and sites proposed by that committee are then presented to the directors for their discussion and questions at the spring meeting. The dates and sites presented to the Executive Committee have gone through that process. Eaks moved to accept the listing of dates and sites. Proctor seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Before adjournment, Umhoefer pointed out that there were NO rule violations that needed to be taken up by the committee.

Having no further business, Hope adjourned the meeting at 10:34 am.