

TMEA REGION 7 MS BAND DIVISION MEETING  
SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2014  
STEPHENVILLE HS 10:00AM

1. Welcome
2. 2014-2015 MS Band Dates:
  - a. Region Auditions
    - i. Corresponding date; November 8
    - ii. Location: Cleburne HS
  - b. Region Clinic and Concert
    - i. ~~Corresponding dates (before ice storm): December 5 & 6~~
    - ii. Corresponding dates (actual): January 20
    - iii. ~~Other possibilities: January 13 or \_\_\_\_\_~~
    - iv. Location: Weatherford HS or Joshua HS
  - c. UIL Concert and Sight-Reading
    - i. Dates: April 15, 16, & 17
    - ii. Location: Burleson Centennial HS
3. MS Band Auditions for 2014:
  - a. Music cannot be Set C (used in 2013) or Set A (used in 2012)
  - b. Report from the Region Etude Selection Committee
    - i. New list includes:
      - Revisions to percussion etudes
      - New "independent" low clarinet music
      - New "instrument specific" brass etudes
      - Revisions to tempos
    - ii. Approve newly revised list
  - c. Music will be selected at a drawing at TBA
  - d. Procedure changes
    - i. At this time, 2014 auditions will more than likely be conducted as the 2013 auditions were
    - ii. With high number of students auditioning, we need to consider phasing auditions. A committee may be formed to explore how this can be done for the 2015 auditions. This has been discussed in the past, but little has been done to explore how we can make it work in Region 7.
    - iii. Issues with the 2013 auditions:
      1. Primarily involved judges failing to properly manage their scores on the Form 1. This is not specific to a "type" of judge (experienced, first-timers, private lesson teachers, etc. are all culprits). Careful attention in the judges' meeting is a necessity!
      2. Some suggestions have been made that will be considered:
        - a. Conduct a math check (i.e. Area auditions)
        - b. Stickers (if allowed by TMEA)

- c. "Old school" where head judge calls each letter for a ranking
  - d. Head judges need to make consistent reminders to break ties and make sure numbers are on the Form 1
  - e. Use a Form 3 for judges to check their own rankings
3. Monitor issues:
- a. Need to understand that we are not in a hurry
  - b. Their job is to work with the judges
- iv. Other concerns/issues?
4. Clinic and Concert
- a. We must apply for a variance (due to transportation) to use the same schedule as last year. If we have a one-day event, what is our reasoning?
  - b. Clinician Suggestions:
 

i. <u>Robert Herrings</u>	vi. _____
ii. <u>Chris Meredith</u>	vii. _____
iii. <u>Lynne Jackson</u>	viii. _____
iv. <u>Cheryl Floyd</u>	ix. _____
v. _____	x. _____
5. UIL Concert and Sight-Reading Contest
- a. Brief clarification on scheduling concerns from 2014
  - b. Results of UIL Options survey
6. Other New Business
7. Election for MS Band Coordinator for 2014-2016:
- a. Candidates:
    - i. Matthew Hiller
    - ii. \_\_\_\_\_
    - iii. \_\_\_\_\_

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