

**TMEA
REGION XV
JH/MS VOCAL DIVISION
SPRING MEETING
SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2017
PIONEER H.S.**

Audrey Quintero-Region chairman, called meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

Treasurer's Financial Report:

Opening balance: \$11,283.01 (does not reflect Region Audition and Clinic/Concert expenses).

Old Business:

Audrey Quintero, region chair, thanks all directors who hosted an event this school year

- i. Brown M.S. - Region Selection Meeting
- ii. Brown M.S.- Solo & Ensemble
- iii. PSJA Southwest H.S. – Concert & Sight-Reading Contest
- iv. Longoria M.S. - Region Choir Auditions
- v. La Joya I.S.D. - Region Clinic & Concert

New Business:

Approval of Middle School Calendar

Region Choir Selection Committee

Date: 8/11/2017

Site: Brown M.S. (McAllen)

Time: 9 a.m.

Vote: 17 (yes), 10 (no)

Motion to accept made by Carlos Alfaro, 2nd by Lauren Albright, Membership Agreed

Solo & Ensemble Contest

Date: 10/28/2017

Site: Lincoln M.S. (McAllen)

Lauren Albright motions to change the corresponding date of the contest (10/21/2017) to 10/28/2017. Vote: 21 (yes), 9 (no)

U.I.L. Concert & Sight-Reading Contest

Date: 2/28/2018 - 3/2/2018

Site: PSJA Southwest H.S.

Region Choir Audition

Date: 4/21/2018

Site: Longoria M.S. (Edinburg)

(Longoria M.S. (14), De Leon M.S. (0), Fossum M.S. (4), Morris M.S. (3) volunteered to host)

Membership voted for Longoria M.S.

Motion for 4/21 and 5/5 for audition/clinic made by Carlos Alfaro.

Membership approved dates.

Region Clinic & Concert

Date: 5/5/2018

Site:

In order of preference:

1. McAllen H.S.
2. La Joya Saenz PAC
3. McAllen PAC

Arianna Astudillo motions to accept the list of venues in order of preference based on availability.

Other Items of Discussion:

* Audrey Quintero (Coordinator) reminds membership of the importance of replying to email and meeting deadlines.

* Reminder about filling out the correct forms and to make sure your district adds the recording fee for Region Auditions.

* DNA/Time Requests for Region Choir Auditions: write an email saying time request, CC Stephanie Champion (school account) and send to David Soliz. Stephanie will confirm that she received info. DO NOT click a time request online. They will be entered manually by Stephanie Champion.

* Coordinator asks for any issues or suggestions for Region Auditions. Bo Shirah suggests creating 4 blocks for region contest to prevent kids from being there all day.

* Carlos Alfaro inquires about why region cuts are sent at 8 p.m. He asked if they could be sent as soon as they are done.

* Members expressed concerns of noise levels in the holding area at region auditions and that the atmosphere became negative to kids. Members suggest having a system to get students quiet when making announcements.

* Coordinator reminds membership to renew membership through the TMEA website before the fall meeting to ensure everyone can vote.

* Reminder of Region Clinic/Concert

* Coordinator expresses appreciation to the membership for her years of service and welcomes David Soliz as new middle school coordinator.

* Renee Leonard asked about the \$1500 loan made to H.S. Division. She expressed concern that no one was aware or asked. Coordinator explains why decision was made.

* Member inquires about U.I.L rules regarding taking mixed choirs to contest and asks for clarity on rules.

Chair-elect nominations:

* Arianna Astudillo nominates Kenneth Rivens. He accepts nomination.

* Audrey Quintero nominates Lio Valencia. She accepts nomination.

* Lauren Albright nominates Bo Shirah. He declines nomination.

Membership votes:

Kenneth Rivens: 16

Lio Valencia: 1

Kenneth Rivens will be the new chair-elect.

Meeting adjourned.

Membership Accepts.

Minutes submitted by Christopher Adame