North Dakota Federation of Music Clubs
Spring Board Meeting (Corrected)
Jamestown College, Jamestown, ND
April 26, 2008

Members present: Lila Gienger, Gordon Maier, Kris Brugamyer, Carole Flatau, Odee Maier, Dawn Penrose, Pat Grantier, Sharon Wesbrook, June Skuza, Lana Simons, Kathe Hall, Carolyn Nelson, Jan Stoffel, Joyce Westfall.

Members excused and/or absent: Beth Klingenstein, Jacki Keck, Terri Sorenson, Mary Hoberg, Dolores Loberg, Donna Koppenhaver, Carma Kulish, Doris Lambie, Lynda Pearson, Darcy Lackman, Eileen Geske, Kitty Overboe, Sally Nordlie, Amola Levenson, Karen Knudsvig, Susan Lundberg, Jann Belanus, Dawn Lawrence, Mary Guess, Avis Skinner.

President Lila Gienger called the meeting to order. Pat Grantier, VP, led the Invocation. The Federation Collect was recited, and the song “Adoration and Praise” was sung accompanied by Pat Grantier.

Secretary’s Minutes: Carolyn Nelson moved that the Secretary’s Minutes be approved as written from the Fall Board meeting, June Skuza seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report: Kris Brugamyer gave the Treasurer’s report. Handout #1, the Sr. Division contributions - NDFMC 2007-2008 report; #2, NDFMC Financial report was incomplete because the year isn’t over until the end of May (6/1/07-4/25/08); #3, Composers Center Report.

Odee Maier made a motion to donate $100 from the Past State President’s Memorial Fund for a memorial for Grace Williams Thennes to go to the Composer’s Fund. Carolyn Nelson seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Kris continued with #4, Partial report for the 2007-08 Junior Division; #5, Jr. Composer’s Competition Finances. Kris Brugamyer moved to accept the treasurer’s report and file for audit. Carole Flatau seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Carole Flatau provided a musical history for the Marine’s Hymn which was written 4/26/1805. The group sang the song.

National & Regional Reports:

Board Member at Large/American Music Division: Odee Maier gave her report (handout #6).

Lila Gienger reported on the Federation Festival Theory (handout #7) and on the State Gold Cup Festival Report (handout #8) from Lynda Pearson and Jann Belanus.

Odee Maier will contact Dawn Lawrence about contacting the Gold Cup company about posters that can be purchased by each Club and used at Festival sites, so that participants can see what the Gold Cups look like.

Kris Brugamyer proposed a change to the Festival form, in that it is now in triplicate, and we would change to duplicate to save money. Copies go to Kris and teachers only. Festival chairs get a spreadsheet from Kris with the same information that is found on the form.

Sharon Wesbrook made a motion that we check into a duplicate form for Junior members’ dues forms. Carolyn Nelson seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Lila Gienger gave a Festival Composite report from Carma Kulish (handout #9).
Odee Maier gave a report on the IMC Composer’s Center. The dedication will be held on June 21, 2008. May 15 and 16 are moving days at IMC to move into the Composer’s Center. IMC is looking for volunteers to help.

A definition for ND Composers is needed. Criterion needs to be set so that everyone will know who can be listed on the plaque that will be in the IMC Composers Center. A committee of Sharon Wesbrook, Carole Flatau, and Janice Stoffel will determine the definition and criteria for which composers can be included.

Pat Grantier moved that the Committee make a determination of who shall be listed on the Plaque and that the plaque is ready by Federation Days. Gordon Maier seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Carole Flatau gave a report on the Folk Music and Poetry (handout #10) and on the Lincoln Bicentennial celebration to be held on Feb. 12, 2009.

Carolyn Nelson gave her report as State Board Member (handout #11).

Sharon Wesbrook presented her report (handout #12). Carolyn Nelson moved that the $10, $12, $15 and $15 fees stay the same for ND and add the NFMC contest fee of $1.25. Pat Grantier seconded. Discussion followed. Pat Grantier called the question. Motion approved.

Kris Brugamyer moved that the additional $1.25 national fee is split as follows: $1.00 into Cup fees and $.25 into JCI expenses. Carolyn Nelson seconded. Motion approved.

Lila Gienger read a letter from Brian Robson, an IMC scholarship recipient.

Old Business: No items were brought forward.

New Business:

Lila Gienger reported that Joyce Westfall will no longer be the Opera Division chair and Vivian Acuff will no longer be the Outreach Division chair. Odee Maier will put an announcement in the newsletter to try and find replacements.

Lila Gienger reported on the Ellis Piano Competition for Duo Pianists. Pat Grantier will send copies to the colleges. She also mentioned the Glad Robinson Adult Composers Contest.

The Alme International Arts Center building will be dedicated on June 21, 2008 at a noon luncheon, followed by the actual dedication program. There will also be a dinner. As many of the board members that can go to IMC, should go.

Two people are needed to audit the Treasurer’s book. Carolyn Nelson and Sharon Wesbrook will perform the audit.

The Jamestown/Valley City Club should write a formal letter to Lila Gienger and Kris Brugamyer to disband their club. JoAnne Herman, Sara Haugen, and Eileen Geske will continue as individual members to be able to participate in Festival.

Kris Brugamyer brought forward Bylaw Changes to Article 12 (handout #13) and highlighted the proposed changes. Janice Stoffel moved to accept the changes and present them at the Fall Board Meeting for vote. Carole Flatau seconded. Motion approved.

The Fall Session of the NFMC will be held in Denver, CO from August 5-10, 2008 and the Spring Convention will be held in Orlando, FL in June, 2009.
Carolyn Nelson wants North Dakota to host the National Convention in 2015. Gordie Maier read a Resolution (handout #14) written by the Fargo/Moorhead Club that they would like to host the NFMC national convention in Fargo. **Gordon Maier moved that the resolution be approved.** Kris Brugamyer seconded. **Motion approved.**

**Odee Maier moved that if the President can’t attend the national meeting in August, then the Vice President can go to the fall session in Denver.** Carolyn Nelson seconded. **Motion approved.**

Kris Brugamyer presented the new 2008-2010 Directory to the state Board members. Each club will receive a new directory for the President and one for the Vice President. If more copies are needed, Kris Brugamyer will make a .PDF file on a CD available for Clubs to make more copies. There will be a $1 fee for the CD. Odee Maier paid for this printing of the Directory. Thank you, Odee.

Gordon Maier presented the Past President Assembly Report (handout #15). There was list of six ideas that had been brought forward earlier. **Carolyn Nelson moved that Recommendation #2 (Article 3, Section 2) be adopted: To reduce the Executive Committee by discontinuing the 4 member-at-large positions.** Kris Brugamyer seconded the motion. **Motion approved.**

**The Fall Board Meeting will be held in Jamestown at the college on September 27, 2008.** The time will be the same. Lunch will be at the cafeteria again.

**Carolyn Nelson moved to adjourn the meeting.** Gordie Maier seconded. **Motion approved.**

Meeting dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Penrose

NDFMC State Secretary