

Fall Board Meeting  
September 10, 2011  
Community Room Carlson Library, Fargo, ND  
10:00 am CDT

Present: Pat Grantier, Vivian Acuff, Kris Brugamyer, Darcy Lackman, National President – Carolyn Nelson, Alpha Roeszler, Lana Simons, Bonnie Stromme, Carma Kulish, Gordie Maier, Odee Maier, Doris Lambie, Sally Nordlie, Sandra Kerr, Carole Flatau, Jan Stoffel, Karen Knudsvig, Lynda Pearson

President, Pat Grantier called the meeting to order. All members sang “How Can We Keep From Singing” the song our National president, Carolyn Nelson chose for the song for her presidential term.

Sue Clambey will take Sacred Music position, Bonnie Stromme took state Gold Cup Chairmanship.

Address corrections to Pat’s state board roster handout were given. The roster is online and maintained by the webmaster as well.

Carolyn Nelson, National President, was introduced by Pat Grantier. Carolyn gave a report on how the first couple of months as president have gone, including national directory, manual development, National Music Week, Jr. Key Notes magazine. Members can click “member news” on [nfmc-music.com.org](http://nfmc-music.com.org) for the current president’s newsletter.

All present members introduced themselves. Preview was given by Odee Maier of a proposal for fundraising for the outgoing president’s award for Carolyn when she leaves office. Carolyn took the floor and described some personal donations to NFMC which are used for young peoples’ awards. Carole Flatau has been appointed national chaplain.

**Carma Kulish moved, Gordie Maier seconded to approve minutes of the April Executive Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried.**

**Alpha Roeszler made a motion and Carma Kulish seconded to accept convention business meeting minutes as corrected. All in favor, motion carried.**

Kris Brugamyer read correspondence; thank yous from scholarship winners. She also gave info on state stationery, pins, travel vouchers, etc. and will order a subscription of Jr. Keynotes for Gold Cup Chair, Bonnie Stromme.

Kris read the treasurer’s report. **Carma Kulish moved to accept treasurer’s report, Jan Stoffel seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

Lana Simons presented the audit report.

**Bonnie Stromme moved, Sandra Kerr seconded to approve the audit report. All in favor, motion carried.**

Pat gave conventioners feedback from the Bismarck convention for next conventions. In convention years, festivals need to post posters or somehow get the word out at festivals that students earning 60 festival points and higher will be honored and will play at the spring convention. Another recommendation was that more workshops, sharing, and education be included in the next convention.

Discussion was held on better ways to get the word out about available scholarships.

Carolyn Nelson gave JCI update. 40+ kids at \$700 tuition each.

Pat gave a summary of Federation Day at Music Camp.

Lana Simons reported on difficulty of the Minot club hosting 2013 convention due to flood damage in the city. Carole Flatau moved that we relieve Minot of all responsibility to host or plan the 2013 convention and have the board explore other options for that convention, Odee Maier gave the second. All in favor, motion carried.

Odee asked about possibilities to organize funds to aid Minot piano teachers affected by the flood. Carolyn suggested that we might also direct help to music teachers in schools in Minot. Odee Maier moved, Karen Knudsvig seconded that we will find ways to monetarily help Minot Music Club members as much as we can. It was recommended that checks be mailed directly to the Minot Club. All were in favor, motion carried. Lana Simons will be the connection between the NDFMC and Minot music teachers and will let us know what teachers there need.

Editor, Odee Maier questioned whether we want to continue Prairie Rose Notes Newsletter. There were many who said “yes”, no one recommended discontinuing. She also asked for ideas on how to improve newsletter, changes in style or content. Ideas may be submitted at any time.

Carma Kulish gave the festival report.

Kris moved that we continue to gift NDFMC fees & music club dues for college clubs and take the funds from Student Audition funds instead of from the budget area of the financial statement.

Second by Odee Maier. All in favor, motion carried.

Carolyn asked about whether life members pay local dues because in other states, the life members must pay \$3 magazine fee. Kris doesn't ask for \$3 national, \$3 state dues, but asks for the founders day \$1.

Odee moved to talk about a timeline to implement the “buy a year” program to fund the outgoing national president's award in 2015. Kris seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Gordie reported on the Sampson award. He confirmed that it will be \$400 next time it is awarded and clarified other details.

Sept 30-Oct 1 Carolyn Nelson is planning retreat in Minneapolis for brainstorming at National level.

National Convention, June 19-24 , 2012 in Indianapolis.

Next meeting April 14, 2012. Carole Flatau will look for a free room in Valley City.

Meeting adjourned at 1:12.

Respectfully submitted,  
Darcy Lackman, NDFMC Secretary