

Illinois Chapter
American Choral Directors Association
Summer ReTreat Board Meeting

Tuesday, July 8, 2008

Members eventually present: John Jost, Jeff Wilson, Phil Spencer, Joy Schertz, Elizabeth Zobel, Laura Lane, Barb Zachow, Janet McCumber, Beth Best, Jim McCullough, Todd Cheek, Brett Goad, Bob Boyd, Tim Fredstrom, Dan Wagner.

John Jost called the meeting to order at 4:05 on Tuesday, July 8, 2008 in Presser Hall of Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, in conjunction with the 2008 Summer ReTreat.

Todd Cheek merited the board's "thanks" for all of the organization he has done for the next few days of 2008 ReTreat. There are close to 130 registrants for this summer's ReTreat, and Todd has nametags, labels, reading packet assignments etc. to assist in registrations.

Barb Zachow has done most of the collating of the reading packets for distribution. (*Present board members will complete the final "stuffing" of the packets after our dinner this evening.*) Great job, as usual, Barb.

Paul Wiens has asked to step down from the Webmaster for IL ACDA. We profusely thank Paul for all of his work for the Illinois Chapter, ACDA.

Tim Fredstrom will take over the position of IL-ACDA Treasurer at the end of this ReTreat. We thank Todd Cheek for his tremendous work in this position and look forward to the contributions Tim will surely make.

Because of some Wesleyan summer maintenance, John made note of some room changes from the printed programs for ReTreat. Amy Towner is our contact for IWU, and John shared her phone number with the board for specific needs that might occur during our stay.

John shared logistical issues with the board: our luncheon "window" will be from 12:15-12:30; our supper "window" will be from 5:45-6:00. Those who preside over a session must keep the ReTreat on time, with brief announcements if any are needed. John has prepared signage for sessions, particularly of the rooms, which should aid attendees this summer.

Phil Spencer explained the needs for the Hymn Festival to the board. We look forward to Phil's session with a volunteer choir of ReTreaters this year.

The IMEA Reading Session to be held on Friday, January 30, 2009 at 3:30 in Riverside Church of Peoria will have music supplied again by Kidder Music. It is imperative that interest chairs send their repertoire selections to Bob Boyd no later than **October 31, 2008** so music will be ordered for this important presentation. (*Barb Zachow will be on a year's sabbatical with her husband, so don't send the literature requests to her!*)

The following interest areas will be represented in the reading session with Phil Spencer at the keyboard:

Junior High/Middle School	2
Treble voices	2
Male voices	2
Secondary	2
Multicultural	2
Jazz/Show	2
Elementary/Children	2

The IL ACDA Reception at IMEA will be held in Conference Room 3 of the Holiday Inn City Centre on Thursday evening, January 29, 2009 at 8:45.

The IL ACDA Winter Board Meeting will be held in the Bradley Room of the Pere Marquette on Friday morning, January 30, 2009 from 8:00 until 9:15 a.m.

Brett Goad reviewed preliminary plans for the 2009 Summer ReTreat. Headliners will be Richard Bjella, Patrick Liebergen, and Eugene Rogers. More details will be forthcoming.

John presented a proposal to align our ACDA boundaries with the IMEA boundaries so that there will be less confusion in our state. Action should greatly assist the district representatives as well as help with communication of our organization in a more personal way.

John presented a proposed By-Laws for Illinois Chapter, ACDA. We will consider this long-needed work at our fall meeting.

John wondered if the next issues of the **PODIUM** should consist of one mailing and two distributed on the website?

Should Illinois ACDA have a board position of Historian?

Do we need a Boy Choir representative, a position that has been vacant for quite some time?

This meeting was adjourned to move music into Presser Hall prior to dinner.

Sincerely submitted,

Bob Boyd
Secretary