

**Wisconsin NATS
Board Meeting Minutes
November 2, 2017**

Time and Place of Meeting. The WI NATS Board Meeting commenced at 5:30pm at PJ's SentryWorld Restaurant (Celebration Room) in Stevens Point, WI.

List of Attendees.

1.	John Gates	President
2.	Melanie Cain	Vice President
3.	Matthew Markham	Recording Secretary
4.	Rachel Wood	Corresponding/Communications Secretary
5.	Kenneth Pereira	Treasurer/Membership (<i>in absentia</i>)
6.	Susan Bender	District Governor
7.	Nathan Krueger	Auditions Coordinator
8.	Rachel Edie Warrick	Member at Large
9.	Ann Schoenecker	Member at Large
10.	Jessica Timman Schwefel	Member at Large

Documents Introduced.

Treasurer's Report (Appendix A)
Budget Comparison Report (Appendix B)
Membership Report (Appendix C)

Summary of the Meeting.

A. Approval of Meeting Minutes. Previous sBoard Meeting minutes were approved as read.

B. Officer's Reports.

President's Report.

- John Gates reminded the board members that there would be some rotation of board members and changes to positions after the upcoming Student Auditions weekend. John reminded everyone of the nominees and rotation of positions as follows: Melanie Cain would move up to President, Rachel Edie Warrick would take over as VP, Matthew Markham would become Treasurer/Membership, Thomas Weis would become Recording Secretary, Rachel Wood would remain Corresponding/Communications Secretary, Jessica Timman Schwefel and Ann Schoenecker would remain Members at Large, and Kenneth Pereira would become the third Member at Large.
- John Gates encouraged us as a board to keep up-to-date with the Office Handbook. This handbook should be up on the website.

Audition Coordinator's Report.

- Nathan Krueger spoke about the job of the Auditions Coordinator, how duties would be assigned, and how the Auditions Coordinator should be an appointed position elected by the board.
- Nathan thanked Matthew Markham and Susan Bender at UW-Stevens Point for being the site hosts for the 2017 Student Auditions. Matthew expressed thanks and gratitude for Chelsea Betz, the student NATS coordinator, and all of the UWSP student volunteers.
- Rotation for auditions were announced as follows: UW-Whitewater is confirmed for Saturday and Sunday (November 2018), Viterbo 2019, UW-Madison 2020, and Lawrence University in 2021 one weekend later.
- Aligning with National Guidelines, every participant with a score of two 90's or higher would automatically advance to the semi-finals of the collegiate divisions.
- We have 352 entries for this fall.

Vice President's Report.

- Melanie Cain provided the board members with a copy of two applications that were recently submitted for special events. 1) Joshua Wendt's request for a computer and VoceVista equipment was denied because the proposal seemed to be for more personal benefits rather than meeting the criteria for such a grant. 2) Corinne Ness requested \$500 for her event. Her proposal was approved.
- Melanie has asked Jessica Timman Schwefel and Mimmi Fulmer to speak at the upcoming chapter luncheon/meeting to share the success of their funded activities from this past year.

Treasurer/Membership Report. *see attached reports*

- Ken Pereira (in absentia) will give his full Treasurer's Report at the Chapter Meeting on Saturday.

District Governor's Report.

- Susan Bender announced that some changes in duties of her position (and clarification of her position) would be informed from upper authority. Susan raised the question of even having a need for a District Governor.
- Susan shared that a regional NATSAA winner from one of the Dakota's would be advancing to the national finals in NYC in January 2018.

Corresponding/Communications Secretary.

- Rachel Wood confirmed that all is working well with the website.
- It was suggested that we continue to refine and define the duties of the office of Membership, District Governor, and Corresponding Secretary. Can we streamline the process of getting new members? This topic was tabled for now but would be revisited with the new officers in place.
- John Gates encouraged us to think about the issue of how we share information with other members of the chapter. John would like to make this a table-talk discussion at the chapter meeting on Saturday. Melanie Cain suggested that she

would like to see a calendar of events up on the webpage. Another suggestion was to have a monthly or quarterly email newsletter.

C. Other Business.

- John Gates informed the board that it was brought to his attention that we should have two chapter meetings per year, but he (and the other members of the board) believes that having special events better serves and fits our needs. The board agreed.

D. Old Business.

None.

E. New Business:

- Nathan Krueger informed the board that there is a loophole in the system regarding the registration process. John Gates suggested that Nathan writes and email to Dan Johnson-Wilmot (at the National Office) regarding this matter. Nathan could add an item related to this matter in the Auditions Handbook.

F. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.

Minutes respectively submitted by:

Matthew Markham, Recording Secretary
Wisconsin Chapter – National Association of Teacher’s of Singing

Attached:
Treasurer’s Report
Budget Comparison Report
Membership Report

2012	2013	2014
RECEIPTS	RECEIPTS	RECEIPTS
Dues	Dues	Dues
Auditions	Auditions	NATSAA Luncheon
Spring Luncheon	TOTAL RECEIPTS	Auditions
TOTAL RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	TOTAL RECEIPTS
3,360.00	3,470.00	3,400.00
9,820.00	8,533.00	52.35
208.00	12,003.00	8,447.25
13,388.00		11,899.60
DISBURSEMENTS	Auditions	DISBURSEMENTS
NATSAA	Audition Awards	NATSAA
Christ Presbyterian	Mary Saunders-Barton (hon)	Patricia Weis (judge)
Ed Anderes (NATSAA judge)	Mary Saunders-Barton (flight)	Marcia Roberts McCoy (judge)
Susan Bender (NATSAA)	Mary Saunders-Barton (fl. Ins)	Brian Paltzgraff (judge)
Total	Don Simonson (hon)	Christ Presbyterian
	Don Simonson (mileage)	Luncheon
Auditions	Michael Keller (pianist)	Piano Tuning
Audition Awards:	William Lavonnis (pianist)	Total
Viterbo (ink copy charges)	Delta Omicron	Auditions
Auditions Breakfast	Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia	Awards
Mary Neumann (piano tuning)	UWSP Opera Workshop	Judge Honorarium
Christ Presbyterian -supplies	Dan Johnson-Wilmot (reimb)	Judge Travel
Kathy Otterson - materials	Kathy Otterson (reimb)	Judge Hotel
Staples - toner, ink, laser printer	UWSP Opera Workshop (lunch)	Audition Ware LLC
Audition Ware LLC	Audition Ware LLC	Tally Room Helper
UW Whitewater SNATS	Total	Piano Tuning
Randy's Restaurant - room rental	Spring/Regional Meetings	Supplies
Seth Christman Tally Rm. Helper	Stephen Austin	Luncheon
Hof Piano tuning	Linda Sparks (pianist)	Pianists
Total	Total	Total
9,336.15	10,900.00	9,333.90
Spring/Regional Meetings	Website	Website
John DeHahn, Dennis James,	Melanie Gain - Website Costs	Hosting Fee
Matthew Ellenwood M. C.	Melanie Gain - Site Modification	Total
Chartwell's Dining Service	Total	Other
Total		Feb Meeting Lunch
1,121.90		Chapter Letter
390.29		Support for Singers - Nationals
1,512.19		Total
Other		
Jamie Gabb audit	Glass Nickel (Aud. Com. Lunch)	
Supplies - Staples	Bank Service Fees	
Checks (new account)	Total	
Total		
201.73		
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS
11,610.07	12,894.45	12,232.14
BALANCE	BALANCE	BALANCE
1,727.93	-891.45	-332.54

2015	2016	2017
RECEIPTS	RECEIPTS	RECEIPTS
Dues	Dues	Dues
NATS discretionary Funds	NATS discretionary Funds	NATS discretionary Funds
Auditions	Auditions	Auditions
TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL RECEIPTS
4,110.00	3090.00	2,850.00
412.08	355.00	600.00
8,970.00	10,052.00	10,985.00
13,492.08	13,497.00	14,435.00
DISBURSEMENTS	DISBURSEMENTS	DISBURSEMENTS
Auditions	Auditions	Auditions
Awards	Awards	Awards
Judge Honorarium	Judge Honorarium	Judge Honorarium
Judge Travel	Judge Travel	Judge Travel
Judge Hotel	Judge Hotel	Judge Hotel
Audition Ware LLC	Audition Ware LLC	Audition Ware LLC
Tally Room Helper	UWM (Building rental)	Tally Room Helper
Piano Tuning	Tally Room Helper	Piano Tuning
Supplies	Piano Tuning	Supplies
Copies	Supplies	Copies
Luncheon	Copies	Luncheon
Board mtg dinner	Luncheon	Board mtg dinner
Tally Room Pizza	UWM - SNATS	Pianist
Pianists	Board mtg dinner	Printers
PayPal fees	Pianist	Total
Total	PayPal fees	(10,743.96)
143.88	243.83	
143.88	10,857.60	
Website	Website	Website
Hosting Fee	Hosting Fee	Hosting Fee
Total	Webby-website upgrade	Webby-website upgrade
	Total	Total
	155.88	155.88
	144.00	144.00
	299.88	299.88
Other	Other	Discretionary Fund
Chapter Letter	Spring mtg luncheon	Jeffrey McGhee
Deluxe Business Systems/checks	Spring Event	Julia Faulkner
NATS - Spring Event	Bryan Post memorial	Remaining amount
Total	September mtg room fee	Total
167.59	Chapter Letter	250.00
132.18	Total	250.00
1000.00	95.45	(500.00)
1299.77	500.00	(2,000.00)
	150.00	
	50.00	
	43.68	
	124.67	
	963.80	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS
11,993.15	11,916.13	(13,360.00)
BALANCE	BALANCE	BALANCE
1,498.93	1,375.72	(1,091.16)

Membership Report: November 1, 2017

Active Members (122):

New Members (13)

1. Joy Amel
2. Allisanne Apple
3. Elena Jean Batman
4. Susan Bender
5. Kristine Bengtson
6. Jerry Benser
7. Cheryl Bensman-Rowe
8. David Berg
9. Christian Bester
10. Chelsea Betz
11. Janice Beutin
12. Ami Bouterse
13. Joanne Bozeman
14. Kenneth Bozeman
15. Colleen Brooks
16. Jillian Bruss
17. Brygida Bziukiewicz-Kulig
18. Melanie Cain
19. Gregory Carpenter
20. Diana Cataldi
21. Peg Cleveland
22. Kassie Lynn Coleman
23. Jennifer Conrad-Proulx
24. Jodi Ann Curtis
25. Emily Davis
26. Susan Savage Day
27. Julie DeBoer
28. Rebekah Demaree
29. Amber Dilger
30. Megan Dixson
31. James Doing
32. Tomas Dominguez
33. Kathryn Proctor-Duax
34. Mary Duffy
35. Carla Dul
36. Judith Durocher
37. Daniel Ellis
38. Michael Esser
39. Jane Ferris
40. Leslie Fitzwater
41. Christine Flasch
42. Carolyn Fons
43. Natalie Ford-Sajdak
44. Todd Fortier
45. Diane Foust
46. Saira Frank
47. Mimmi Fulmer
48. John Gates
49. Jennifer Gettel
50. Elizabeth Hagedorn
51. Amy Haines
52. Samuel Handley
53. Maria Hansen-Cronin
54. Mark Hanson
55. Anna Hersey
56. Mary Hofer
57. David Hoffman
58. John Holiday
59. Allison Hull
60. Michelle Hynson
61. Carol Jegen
62. Daniel Johnson-Wilmot
63. Antonina Johnston
64. Alisa Jordheim
65. Terence Kelly
66. Nathan Krueger
67. Diane Lane
68. Brian Leeper
69. Karen Leigh-Post
70. Jennifer Lien
71. Wendelin Lockett
72. Tara Lyons
73. Matthew Markham
74. Sarah Meredith
75. Gary Moss
76. Mark Mowry
77. Lynn Najem
78. Corinne Ness
79. Jennifer O'Connor
80. Daniel O'Dea

81. Kathleen Otterson
82. Luke Otto
83. Sarah Parks
84. Kathy Pearson
85. Kenneth J. Pereira
86. Nate Plummer
87. Kimberly Prins Moeller
88. Tim Rebers
89. Elizabeth Reinbold
90. Roberta Ricci
91. Sarah Lynn Richardson
92. Soojin Ritterling
93. Kristin Roble
94. Janice Rodden
95. David Ronis
96. Paul Rowe
97. Wendy Rowe
98. Tanya Kruse Ruck
99. Marlee Sabo
100. Jean Saladino
101. Holly Saunders
102. Ann E Schoenecker
103. Benjamin Schultz
104. Sally Lane Schwarz
105. J. Adam Shelton
106. Courtney Sherman
107. Christine Siler
108. Richard Sjoerdsma
109. Nicole Skowronski
110. Christopher Smith
111. Steven Spears
112. Amelia Spierer
113. Jessica Timman Schwefel
114. Gail Vornkahl
115. Rachel Ware Carlton
116. Rachel Warrick
117. Vanessa Weber
118. Patricia Weis
119. Thomas Weis
120. Joshua Wendt
121. Dean Witz
122. Rachel Wood

Emeritus Members (13):

1. Adele Borouchoff
2. Helen Ceci
3. Patricia Crump
4. Ruth Horrall
5. Robert Lee Jennings
6. Barabara Lattimer
7. Elizabeth Mannion
8. Carlene McMonagle
9. Anthony Rodrigues-Pavao
10. Joyce Ryan
11. Eudora Shepherd
12. Shirley Steiner
13. Eva Wright

Lapsed Members (5):

1. Constance Haas
2. Amy Hartsough
3. Dawn Riesing
4. Jeanette Thompson
5. Lisa Marie Uttech

No category according to National (3):

1. Diane Bleke
2. Karla Hughes
3. Gregory Ruffer