



**NEXT MEETINGS**  
**-CROWNE PLAZA**  
**2023 Conference Planning Meeting**  
**- August 5, 2023 (Small group)**  
**2023 Summer/Fall Board Meeting -**  
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**Louisiana Music Educators Association**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**13 May 2023**  
**9:30 AM**  
**Crowne Plaza, Baton Rouge**

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**AGENDA**

**I. Call to Order: Roll Call**

LMEA meeting was called to order at **9:30** with the following people present:  
**Bruce Lambert, Brett Babineaux, Lee Hicks, Scotty Walker, Robert Freeman, Aleisa Hudlow, Billy Hochkeppel, Jessica Fain, Aaron Theall, Sharon Stephenson, Randy Weaver, Jim Trant, Michele DesLattes, Ronnie Gleason, Doug Stone, Katrice LaCour, Josh Steadman, Victor Drescher, Greg Oden, Carolyn Herrington, Sharon McNamara Horne, Tommy Burroughs, Michael Brothers, Ginny Medina-Hamilton, Lynn Burton. Telly Higgins, Annie Young Bridges.**

**II. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion to accept Victor Drescher, 2<sup>nd</sup> Scotty Walker - PASSES**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

- a. January 28th Zoom meeting Motion Victor Drescher 2<sup>nd</sup> Aleisa Hudlow - PASSES**
- b. February 25th Finance Zoom meeting Motion Victor Drescher 2<sup>nd</sup> Aleisa Hudlow - PASSES**

**111. Guest Presentation- Madeline DeHart, Vermilion Parish Music Supervisor**  
**Louisiana Heritage Connections- Online available contact [madeline.dehart@vpsb.net](mailto:madeline.dehart@vpsb.net)**  
**Madeline is available to help with grant writing questions – she is a terrific advocate.**

**IV. Approval of Financial Report - Bruce Lambert Motion: Victor Drescher 2<sup>nd</sup> Aleisa Hudlow PASSES**

**Reminder that the board has paid for our executive officers to attend the NAFME convention. The board will continue to pay for national assembly – This year President and Executive Director are asked to attend. In the past if others wish to attend - \$2000 combined cap for all additional**

## attendees.

- Donation information
- Donation link – Sharon McNamara Horne and Scotty Walker are working on link.
- Amazon Smile – has been shut down.
- Bid from Louisiana trophies – (in google drive – LMEA Bid Sheet 1 year) **NEW BUSINESS**
- Music Rising – organization to help fund music education after disasters. Link set up on LMEA website.

## REPORTS IN GOOGLE DRIVE:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/1lwH8mCuSPpRiLNirHt7TOrBcyEC7sByl>

### V. Executive Officer Report

President – Brett Babineaux

President-Elect – Lee Hicks

Immediate Past President – Scotty Walker

### VI. District Directors Report

1. Robert Freeman
2. Aleisa Hudlow
3. Billy Hochkeppel
4. Jessica Fain
5. Sharon Stephenson
6. Randy Weaver
7. Jim Trant
8. Michele DesLattes
9. Stephanie Robertson (AB)

District Directors would like a zoom meeting to make certain that the dates for All-State first and second round auditions are clear. They would like for dates to be consistent from all Divisions so that there will be less confusion for them and their district membership. Zoom to be scheduled.

### VII. Division Reports

Band Division – Ronnie Gleason

Collegiate (CNAfME) – Ed McClellan (AB – Graduation)

Elementary Division – Keith James

Jazz Division – Doug Stone

Orchestra Division – Katrice Lacour (**Jazz and Orchestra recording all due on September 16<sup>th</sup> 11:59pm**)

Public Relations – Josh Stearman

University Division – Victor Drescher ([UNO Jazz Ensemble and McNeese Wind Ensemble – 2023 Conference](#))

Vocal Division – Greg Oden ([Clinicians in report](#)) Due dates will mirror band dates and times. [District Directors need to let Greg know when their first round auditions are and sight reading will be emailed to them.](#)

### VIII. Ex-Officio Members and Organizations

ACDA – Amy Prats (AB)

Editor – Carolyn Herrington

Hall of Fame – Tommy Burroughs

LAJE - Michael Brothers

LAKE – Ava Brown (AB)  
LA PASA – Gustavo Miranda (AB)  
LBA – Jessica Fain  
LMAA - Bill Brent (AB – report by Jessica Fain)  
LSTA – Annie Young-Bridges  
Webmaster – Sharon McNamara-Horne

## **IX. Committee Reports**

Administration Advisory Council - Tony McCardle (AB - sent report)  
Baton Rouge Conference Committee - Brett Babineaux  
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Council - James Square (AB)  
Ethics Committee – no issues to discuss  
Guitar - Dr. Greg Robin (AB)  
Large Ensemble Assessment Committee - Brett Babineaux (**Over the summer committee will meet to make recommendations for Large Ensemble Assessment.**)  
Louisiana Advocacy Leadership Force - Ginny Medina-Hamilton  
Mentorship - Brett Babineaux  
Middle School/Jr. High All-State Committee

- Band - Aaron Theall, Ronnie Gleason
- Choir - Greg Oden
- Jazz - Doug Stone
- Orchestra - Katrice LaCour

Professional Development - Brett Babineaux  
PML Committee - Aleisa Hudlow  
State Solo Assessment - Bruce Lambert  
Tri-M - Lynn Burton

## **X. Unfinished Business**

- a. **Job Postings on LMEA Website** (update) - Sharon McNamara-Horne, Carolyn Herrington, Jessica Fain

## **XI. New Business**

- a. Recognizing outgoing board members
- b. Installation of New Board Members **(AMENDED)**

Aaron Theall was welcomed to the LMEA Board as the new District V Director. Telly Higgins was welcomed to the LMEA Board as the new District VI Director. District Directors are acting secretaries of their respective district and must maintain the district bank account at the bank of their choice. All transactions and books must be turned over to Executive Secretary, Scotty Walker at the end of each school year.
- c. Conference Chair Position Election - **Denise Howell had the majority vote for Conference Chair Position.**
- d. Large Ensemble Award Bid
  - i. Motion to accept the bid proposal sent by *Louisiana Trophies* for all Large Ensemble Assessment Awards **Motion: Aleisa Hudlow 2<sup>nd</sup> Jessica Fain**

## **PASSES**

e. Tom Wafer Administrative Award Nominations - Scotty Walker

Motion : Remove sentence about music supervisors being ineligible –

**Motion Alesia Hudlow and 2nd Jessica Fain PASSES**

Purpose: To recognize and honor outstanding school principals, assistant principals, superintendents, and/or assistant or associate superintendents who demonstrate support for and commitment to high-quality arts education programs in their schools. The influence of such administrators is a major factor in improving music education in school systems across the state.

- i. Jennifer Burris – Incomplete app DNQ
- ii. Michelle Chaisson – Motion Jim Trant – 2<sup>nd</sup> Jessica Fain **PASSES**
- iii. Debbie Dixon Motion Robbie Freeman 2<sup>nd</sup> Michelle DesLattes **PASSES**
- iv. Dr. Grant Eloi Motion Aleisa Hudlow 2<sup>nd</sup> Katrice LaCour **PASSES**
- v. Toby Quarles Motion Michelle DesLattes 2<sup>nd</sup> Victor Drescher **PASSES**

### **\*\* Next Meetings**

**Large Ensemble Assessment Committee -**

**2023 Conference Planning Meeting - August 5, 2023**

**2023 Summer/Fall Board Meeting - Sept 23, 2023**

### **XII. Adjournment Motion**

**Motion to adjourn: Victor Drescher 2<sup>nd</sup> Katrice Lacour MEETING Adjourned**

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