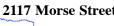
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Please NOTE:

The State Board voted to make the ATSSB Website the official document of ATSSB, so check back regularly to see if any articles have been added since you last read the Newsletter.

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REMEMBER!

- ATSSB All-State Jazz Band for 2007-08. Order the Jazz Band Audition CD and music today: http://www.matteimusicservices.com
- ◆ Submit names of any new Region Coordinators after the spring meeting.
- ◆ Don't forget to discuss your region donating to the Scholarship Fund (of course, individual donations to this fund are tax-deductible in full).
- ♦ Entries submitted in the 2007 ATSSB Outstanding performance Series will be checked to make sure the Head Director of the competing ensemble is a current Active Member of ATSSB, so join TODAY if you have not already done so:

http://www.atssb.org/execsec/app.pdf

President's Column by Rob Toups

I don't know about you, but on the Monday following TMEA I sure got back to school with a rejuvenated spirit and the usual excitement within me that only a wonderful convention can provide. Congratulations to the TMEA executive board, and thanks for another job well done. This year, I was personally fortunate having my



school superintendent attend. As I expected, he was impressed and more importantly, re-assured as he went from clinic to concerts and to all state band rehearsals. He saw first hand how much good comes to the students of our schools via music education. I highly recommend that all of us extend a personal invitation to our school administrators to attend this outstanding convention.

Congratulations to all of our ATSSB All State band students on an exceptional concert on Saturday. All three groups were so well prepared and the talent level of these All Staters just amazes me. Directors, you should be commended on the work you do with these students. As in the past, this year's All State clinicians were exceptional. Thanks to Bill Brent from Northwestern State University, Jerry Junkin and Jeff Hellmer from the University

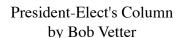
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of Texas at Austin and our all important state organizers Ellis Kilgore, Tim Schodowski, Karen Dyre, Gary Frock and David Deluca. Thank you, Eric Gray, Mark Melton, Mike Barnes, Russ Rutherford and so many others who helped with registration, housing, auditions, and so on. All of you are examples of the excellent leadership we all enjoy within the association.

Jim Jones, you deserve undying gratitude from all of us for your willingness to lead ATSSB as our President Pro Tem. As I watch you interact with others, assess and make decisions, I learn much and have gained needed confidence as I hopefully follow your good example. We all know how vital our Executive Secretary Kenneth Griffin is to our success, and on behalf of the membership I wish to thank you, Kenneth, for your guidance and countless hours of work keeping the Association strong and vibrant.

It is awesome to see so much good come from the Association of Texas Small School Bands. Our programs, school districts and students benefit greatly from this organization. It scares me to think where we would be without ATSSB. Yet, as I looked over the ballroom during the general membership meeting and saw only a fraction of our members in attendance, I pondered how easily things could be taken for granted. There is not a good reason to miss the all important general membership meetings. TMEA understands this. That is why we are provided with a HUGE ballroom. They assume our membership takes part in the process. We must all remember that taking and using all of the resources provided to us by ATSSB should be balanced with taking part in the process. It simply does not reflect well on our Association when so few attend meetings. Perhaps you could eat lunch earlier or later. We have only one official state level meeting. Important business must be discussed and voted on. How many of us would tolerate that kind of participation in our own band programs? So, lets please get it together PARTICIPATE, contribute and let's all be part of the process.





What a humbling experience to be elected to this office. It is an honor to serve ATSSB. Our Past Presidents have done an incredible job of guiding our association. Our Past Presidents include: Mike Marsh, Fred Pankratz, Don Stockton, Ronnie Page, George Strickland, Gary Robbins, Ed Lowes, Steven Moore, and Jim Jones (pro tem). With much pride, I will do my best to continue their work.

The All State Bands were fantastic. Congratulations to the Jazz Band on a great performance. There are many people who work hard to make this event happen. We need to thank everyone who helped make this year a big success.

Most have completed Solo and Ensemble and many are about to go to Concert and Sight Reading. This time of year is

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busy to say the least. Work hard at sharing your kids. We have found that most of the time, the kids who are gone the most are not necessarily the ones who need the most help. Usually, the kids who are there need the most attention. Focus on these students and help them improve their skills. The good kids will "get it."

One of the main responsibilities of President Elect is to head up the State Audition Review Committee (SARC). This group is charged with reviewing the five-year rotating Prescribed Audition List. If there are any suggestions concerning errata or other recommendations, send them to me.

ATSSB is the best thing to happen to small school bands in Texas. It is an honor to serve the many fine directors in Class 1A, 2A and 3A schools. I look forward to the next six years with great expectations.

Executive Secretary's Column

by Kenneth L. Griffin

Many of you who attended rehearsals and/or the performance of the ATSSB All-State Bands are aware that the Scottish Rite Auditorium is aging and in need of extensive repair and renovation. Please be assured that your officers are concerned about this as well and are looking into ways of dealing with this issue. It is easy to suggest that we simply move to the Convention Center, but we do not have access to that venue at the present time. While all of us would like to see our ATSSB All-State groups perform in the Lila Cockrell Theatre like all of the other All-State groups, there is simply no room in the schedule to allow that. We are open to suggestions on how to proceed, so if you have any proposals, feel free to communicate them to your Region Coordinator or any State Officer (http://www.atssb.org/Officers.asp).



Please remember that Region Officers serve a two-year term, so if elections need to be held in your regions, go through the process in place to elect them. Then be sure to let me know of any changes so we can keep contacts up to date.

Interesting fact about the 2007 All-State Bands: The membership included 16 freshmen (down 1 from last year), 41 sophomores (up from 36 last year), 78 juniors (down from 98 last year), and 125 seniors (up from 109 last year).

HOUSING - Mike Barnes did a fantastic job as the Floor Monitor Coordinator this year. Organizing the hotel checkin and making sure the kids were safe in the hotel is very important to small-school band directors. We had zero problems with students this year for the second year in a row. A lot of this was due to the efforts of Mike and the Floor Monitors, but also to you directors for preparing your students for the clinic. Thank you for a really smooth time this year.

ORGANIZERS - Eric Gray and his crew did a wonderful (and unusually quick) job with

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State Chair Auditions. It is no small task assembling all of those panels of volunteer judges and securing stands and screens and the forms and pencils necessary and the computers and printers. Thanks again, Eric, for all of your hard work, and to Mark Melton for serving as Office Manager for the auditions - manning the computers and checking all that math. And thanks to all of the directors who volunteered their time to sit on judging panels, monitor, run errands, etc., to make the auditions run smoothly. David De Luca and Karen Dyre had to give up most of their convention to serve as Band Organizers as did Bob McClure and Gary Frock as Percussion Organizers. I especially want to thank Bob Vetter for volunteering for the third year in a row to stay up late on Wednesday night helping me proofread the roster of bands for the programs.

Interesting facts about the 2007 All-State Bands: Rio Hondo had 9 students make All-State; Argyle had 6; Canton, Canyon, Greenwood, and Wills Point each had 5; Castleberry, Glen Rose, Jourdanton, Monahans, Pilot Point, Queen City, Reagan County, Spring Hill, and The Kinkaid School each had 4. Twelve schools had 3 students make All-State. Thirty-six schools had 2 students and eighty-one other schools had 1 student make All-State. In all, 144 different schools were represented in the ATSSB All-State Bands.

OPS - The **Outstanding Performance Series** was once again a great success in 2006 and the beautiful award the winners received in the General Session on Thursday is an enviable trophy to be seen in band halls across the state. The runner-up plaque was beautiful also, befitting the great honor these bands received from their peers. Congratulations to the winners and runners-up. I look forward to this year's competition and hope many of you enter your band's performance(s) from a contest this year. Don Thoede, OPS State Chair, will tell you more about the 2007 OPS elsewhere in the Newsletter. Be sure to read his article carefully, as many changes have been made - especially in the forms which have been updated (and some paperwork deleted!).

DIRECTORY - An ATSSB **Membership Directory** is available on the Website (http://www.atssb.org/execsec/Directory.07.htm). You can view it (it is arranged alphabetically) or copy and paste all of the information into an Excel spreadsheet so you can use the data as you see fit. Since the State Board has voted that the ATSSB Website is the official document, we no longer print the Directory (or anything else for mailout). All documents must be viewed/printed/downloaded from the Website in the future. By the way, the State Board decided that we would keep the Directory available as is even though a few have expressed concerns about getting spam since your email address is listed in it (and some people can ferret out that information and sell it to spammers). If you do not want your email address listed in the Directory, be sure to let me know and I will take it off (then do not put that on the application when you rejoin next year).

Interesting facts about the 2007 All-State Band: The band had 110 females and 150 males.

HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX EXEMPTION - One more piece of paper is going to be required for state! If your student makes state and is going to stay in the Emily Morgan Hotel, you must submit a signed Hotel Occupancy Tax Exemption form along with payment of the Hotel Fee. Also, the Executive Committee voted to enforce the \$100 late fee if the hotel fee is not paid by check or school PO by the deadline. We did not charge that fee this year or last (there would be a LOT of unhappy directors and business offices if we did), but I have been

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instructed to do so in the future since it continues to be a problem and causes numerous issues with the hotel. Please get the paperwork filed on Monday after Area next year. Have the school fax a PO if they can't cut a check that day! And be sure to attach the Hotel Occupancy Tax Exemption form that is completed and signed by your school.

APPLICATION - There is a **Membership Application** in this Newsletter and on the Website that you can download and use or give to your assistants or to share with neighbors. Membership renewal reminders are not sent out any more, so use the one available online or linked here to join as soon as you can in the new budget year (although we surely do appreciate all of the scholarship contributions you make when you join after October 1!). There is also a College Division Membership application available here and online. Give one to your senior bandsmen that might be considering music as a major or minor in college.

PAL - The Prescribed Audition List includes all known (and SARC-approved) errata to date on each of the etude pages. Be sure you are using the current data from the Website since an Update will not be mailed or passed out at TBA like we usually do (remember that the Website is the official document). We will be using YEAR B in the PAL for auditions in 2007-08. Watch the Website for the Year B Update.

Interesting facts about the 2007 All-State Bands: Of the 260 students in the bands, 24 were from class A schools (9.23% of the bands - down from 25 last year), 71 from class AA schools (27.31% - down from 82 last year), and 165 from class AAA schools (63.46% - up from 153 last year), all representing 144 different schools (down from 150 last year).

The **recording** of the All-State concerts is available on compact disc. You may still order plaques and t-shirts from the event. You may also order the large 10" All-State patch from this office (\$10 each includes shipping). Use the order forms here or online to get yours today.

Use your contacts at colleges and universities across Texas (and beyond) to make sure that they give scholarships (all expenses paid) to ATSSB All-State students and tuition scholarships to ATSSB Area students for their **summer band camps** like some colleges do. Check out what the camp offers and then encourage your students to go where they are wanted. Several colleges have already contacted me wanting the All-State list so our students can be contacted about scholarship opportunities. More and more colleges are interested in our seniors each year. As you learn of colleges that provide scholarships for our All-State students, let me know so I can inform the membership.

Interesting facts about the 2007 All-State Bands: Of the 260 members, each of the 20 regions had an average of 13 students in the band. One region had 26 (the most) and one region had one (the least).

Please let me know if you need to **replace a Region Coordinator** in your Spring Meeting. I need to have their name as soon as possible for our plans for 2007-08 (call me at 713-874-1151 and leave a message). Your Region Coordinator is your region's representative on the State Board of Directors which makes all of the decisions for you regarding ATSSB matters. Make sure he/she or a proxy attends each SBOD meeting. It would also be nice if each Region Coordinator brought a mandate of opinion from region members so votes could be representative of each region of the state. It would also be nice if each region kept their region webpage on the

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ATSSB website updated. Keep an eye on your region's page and volunteer to help keep it up to date if you are into web publishing and would like to help.

ATSSB gave \$25,500 in scholarships this year. Jameson Ash from Reagan County (Tuba), Micah Bowling from Redwater (Bassoon), Travis Keyes Larsen from Celina (Bass Trombone), Jeff Oliver from Robinson (Bass Trombone), Rhett Price from Greenwood (Tenor Saxophone), Jordan Stith from Spring Hill (Bass Clarinet), Ashley Nicole Tambunga from Bethesda Christian (Flute), and Valerie Vela from Hebbronville (Trombone) each received the \$2000 ATSSB All-State Band Scholarship for making the band for four consecutive years. Melissa Ahler from Greenwood (Trumpet), Kelly Barker from Hardin (Jazz Trombone 2), William Blair from Ranchview (Bass Clarinet), Brian Cristensen from Celina (Trombone), Blake Corkill from Kountze (Snare Drum), Devlin Giddings from La Vernia (Trombone), Jonathan Herrera from Taft (Bass Clarinet), Brittany Laza from Elkhart (Trumpet), Jonathan McNutt from Smithville (Jazz Tenor Sax 2), Danielle Moreno Rio Hondo (Flute), Orlando Muñoz from Memphis (Baritone Saxophone), Nick Nicholson from Wimberley (Jazz Tenor Sax 1), Armando E. Portillo from Littlefield (Bass Clarinet), Courtney A. Sander from Harper (Jazz Bass Trombone 1), Megan Shafer from Spring Hill (Clarinet), Whitney Tuck from DeKalb (Clarinet), Allison Vetter from Reagan County (French Horn), Darrell Wagner from Shiner (Trumpet), and Brittney Yager from Canton (Trumpet) each were seniors that received the \$500 ATSSB All-State Band Scholarship for making the band for three years. All of these students were given a plaque in a brief ceremony during the concert. This makes fifty-seven students who have received the four-year scholarship and seventy-nine who have received the three-year scholarship (this is the fifth year for the three-year scholarship to be given). Since 1992, \$135,500 in scholarships have been awarded.

Please be aware that we will no longer produce OPS CDs for sale. We will produce CDs in sufficient quantities to send one free CD to each eligible ATSSB school in Texas in September of each year. The State Board felt that this reference CD should be in every band hall in Texas.

Interesting facts about the 2007 ATSSB All-State Band: Over the last sixteen years, 3,306 students have been awarded All-State honors by ATSSB. Crane has had the most in All-State (79) followed by Brownfield (75), Midland Greenwood (71), Rio Hondo (45), Port Isabel (45), Mathis (45), Canyon (40), Needville (37), Reagan County (34), Kountze (33), Lindale (32), The Kinkaid School (31), Denver City (31), Argyle (30), and Celina (30) in various classes.

My thanks to all of you for what you have done to make ATSSB what it is today.

Kennett L. Amffin

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State Chair Audition Coordinator

by Eric Gray

A heart-felt "Thank You" to the people that served on the judging panels and monitors that made everything run so smoothly! Your willingness to serve and your high level of professionalism speak so clearly of your passion for our students and our organization. Our kids deserve the best and you are the best! Look at the judging panel list and thank the people in your region for their service!

Trumpet

Chris Brannon

Ron Williams

Sherry Poteet

Jeff Coventry David Densmore

Julie Densmore

Brandon Garmon

Lynn Gray

French Horn

Flute

Coral Rios

Cindy Kates

Daniel Stone

Rachel Scotchmer

Eduardo Aleman

Cindy Brown	John Rauschuber	Nathan Templeton
Harold Raney	Daniel Aleman	John Ferguson
Richard Lovelace	Greg Jones	William Rachel
Kathy Johnson	Janet Wilson	Bobby Yerigan
Kathy McNelly	Mark Crim	Steve Sanchez
Pat Crofton	Brad Walker	Jeff Whitaker
Clarinet	Tenor Trombone	<u>Tuba</u>
Nicholas Durham	Tom English	Jim Rhodes
Robin Weatherman	Bobby Fife	Rodney Bennett
Rob Lovett	Ann Broaddus	Wes Canaday
Julie Cook	Fredrick Meyer	Keith Zuehlke
David Andrus	William Brewer	Jim Clark
Robin Williamson	Steve Williamson	Colin Chichurka
Low Clarinet	Bass Trb/Euph	<u>Percussion</u>
Dale Coates	Carl Hooper	David Lambert
Christi Speer	Dan Vasquez	Chris McLellan
Tim Edins	Robert Butler	David Evans
Carroll Rhodes	Bryan Weaver	Robert Garza
Homer Stewart	Michael Powers	Ricky Kyker
Tanya Eckstein	Jason Nerring	John Garza
Double Reeds	Saxophone	Contest Office
Sandy Brown	Cary Dalton	Mark Melton Chris Brannon

David Noyola

Mark Santos

Howard Ellis

Robin Stephens

Brian Weatherman

Outstanding Performance Series

by Don Thoede, OPS State Chair

The 2007 Outstanding Performance Series is getting closer everyday. Be sure you remember that the entry deadline is May 20th. I hope all goes well for you at your UIL contests and you get excellent recordings to submit for competition in the 2007 Outstanding Performance Series.

Be sure you pay close attention to the changes that have been made for this year. All of you who enter the competition will be sending CDs to different Region Coordinators again this year. That information can be found in this article. Also, some changes have been made in the forms that will be used this year, so check the forms carefully. You will notice that the numbers on some of the forms have changed and that some of the old forms have been eliminated. I did this in order to make less paperwork for you. I hope it helps.

I also want to remind you that entry forms must be filled out accurately and completely. Take a good look at "Page 5" in the OPS section on the website and you will see a picture of a CD showing exactly how to put your school's information on the CD, not on the CD case. Remember, Region Coordinators have the authority to disqualify any entry that is late or incomplete. No one wants that to happen, so, again, be thorough when filling out all forms!

The information that follows is extremely important and therefore I ask that all Region Coordinators and Area Coordinators check the information carefully and make sure the information is accurate. Any discrepancies must be reported to Kenneth Griffin immediately so he can put the correct information on the website. Also, if a phone number, mailing address, etc., changes at anytime, it is your responsibility to notify Kenneth. We must do whatever is necessary to be sure that CDs are mailed to the correct address, and that Region and Area Coordinators can be contacted by telephone.

Band Directors will send their CDs to the following Designated Region Coordinators:

Region 1 band directors will send CDs to the Region 18/26 Coordinator (Perry Morris, 1050 Acorn Street, Giddings, TX 78942, 979-542-4382); Region 18/26 band directors will send CDs to the Region 1 Coordinator (Matt Daily, 706 N. Floyd, Tulia, TX 79088, 806-995-1834); Region 2 band directors will send CDs to the Region 15/28 Coordinator (Jorge Lozano, 2321 Yellowhammer, McAllen, TX 78504, 956-793-4228); Region 15/28 band directors will send CDs to the Region 2 Coordinator (Greg Miller, 712 West Clara, Iowa Park, TX 76367, 940-592-9788); Region 3 band directors will send CDs to the Region 13 Coordinator (Stephen Henry, 187 5th Street, Vanderbilt, TX 77991, 361-284-3566); Region 13 band directors will send CDs to the Region 3 Coordinator (Kyle White, 1015 N. Oleander Street, Grand Saline, TX 75140, 903-962-4082); Region 4 band directors will send CDs to the Region 8 Coordinator (David A. Lambert, 511 Chado, Robinson, TX 76706, 254-662-1756); Region 8 band directors will send CDs to the Region 4 Coordinator (Chris Brannan, 1312 Choctaw Drive, Atlanta, TX 75551, 903-701-9254); Region 5/20/24/25 band directors will send CDs to the Region 12 Coordinator (John Rauschuber, 14222 Savanah Pass, San Antonio, TX 78216, 210-467-2074); Region 12 band directors will send CDs to the Region 5/20/24/25 Coordinator (Brandon Brewer, 319 West Fern Street, Anna, TX 75409, 972-924-4377); Region 6 band directors will send CDs to the Region 14 Coordinator (Emerico Perez III, 1111 Stonegate, Alice, TX 78332, 361-661-0303); Region 14 band directors will send CDs to the Region 6 Coordinator (Daniel E. Todd, 1804 Butterfield Trail, Crane, TX 79731, 432-558-7352); Region 7 band directors will send CDs to the Region 21 Coordinator (Michael E. Miller, 168 Wightman Lane, Rusk, TX 75785, 903-253-2110 Cell phone); Region 21 band directors will send CDs to the Region 7 Coordinator (Forrester L. Halamicek, 508 Flag Creek Drive, Llano, TX 78643, 325-248-0055); Region 9/17/19 band directors will send CDs to the Region 22 Coordinator (George Rangel, 801 N. Houston, Van Horn, TX 79855, 432-207-0144); Region 22 band directors will send CDs to the Region 9/17/19 Coordinator (James Butler, 26134 Richards Road, Spring, TX 77386, 832-515-6530 Cell phone); Region 10 band directors will send CDs to the Region

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16 Coordinator (John M. Odom, 810 W. Georgia, Floydada, TX 79235, 806-983-2629); Region 16 band directors will send CDs to the Region 10 Coordinator (Robert Fife, 1488 FM 1293, Kountze, TX 77625, 409-782-0082 Cell phone); Region 11 band directors will send CDs to the Region 23 Coordinator (Alfred Angerstein, 19523 Westhaven, Houston, TX 77084, 281-492-8783); Region 23 band directors will send CDs to the Region 11 Coordinator (Daniel Aleman, 404 Margo Drive, Pearsall, TX 78061, 830-334-5055 school).

On or before June 12, 2007, the Region Coordinators of Regions 1, 6, 16, 22 will send advancing CDs to the Area East Coordinator (Mark Melton, 3015 Evangeline, Longview, TX 75605, 903-759-9220); Region Coordinators of Regions 2, 3, 5/20/24/25 will send advancing CDs to the Area West Coordinator (John Mayo, 3103B 109th, Lubbock, TX 79423, 806-368-8221); Region Coordinators of Regions 4, 9/17/19, 10, 21 will send advancing CDs to the Area Central Coordinator (Perry Morris, 1050 Acorn Street, Giddings, TX 78942, 979-542-4382); Region Coordinators of Regions 7, 8, 23/27, 18/26 will send advancing CDs to the Area North Coordinator (Greg Miller, 712 W. Clara, Iowa Park, TX 76367, 940-592-9788); Region Coordinators of Regions 11, 12, 13, 14, 15/28 will send advancing CDs to the Area South Coordinator (J. Eric Winterbottom, 223 CR 373, Sandia, TX 78383, 361-547-2101).

On or before (and preferably before) June 26, 2007, all Area Coordinators will send advancing CDs to Don Thoede, OPS State Chair, 2502 White Street, Clifton, TX 76634, 254-675-6789.

Be sure you read all of the instructions in the "Purpose and Procedure" section of the 2007 Outstanding Performance Series before mailing CDs to anyone. The instructions are very clear and must be followed exactly as written. The only time we have had problems in the past was when a few directors simply did not follow the instructions. Please take the time to read everything before entering and before mailing advancing CDs.

As always, I am here to help you. After you have read all of the instructions and you still have a problem, please contact me. I will be happy to help you. I hope you have a great spring semester and good luck in the 2007 OPS

Don Thorde

Outstanding Performance Series

	Forney, Texas 75126 (972) 564-3287 (voice) (972) 564-3289 (fax) avantrecordings@sbcglobal.net
Number of 2004 CD sets you are ordering	
Number of 2003 CD sets you are ordering	
Number of 2002 CD sets you are ordering	X \$15 per CD set = \$
Number of 2001 CD sets you are ordering	
Number of 2000 CD sets you are ordering	
Number of 1999 CD sets you are ordering	
Number of 1998 CD sets you are ordering	*
Number of 1997 CD sets you are ordering	
Shipping is \$2.50 for one CD set	
Please enclose 50¢ for each additional CD set ordered	

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED -----

Region 8 Music Lending Library

Various regions send the music they purchase for all-region band clinics to Groesbeck High School after they use them so others can use the music in similar situations. We also send the All-State music that is not purchased to the Lending Library. If you would like to borrow a title, let them know. Contact Brian Boecker at Groesbeck High School, P.O. Box 559, Groesbeck, TX 76642 or call (254) 729-4117 between 10:10 and 11:00, fax him at (254) 729-5458, or email him at b.boeck@groesbeck.k12.tx.us. The only expense you will have is postage (both ways) as a courtesy to Brian and his staff. If you have music left over from an all-region clinic and would like to share it with other regions, send it to Groesbeck High School at the address above.

Title/Composer

AFRICA: CEREMONY, SONG AND RITUAL/SMITH MAIN TITLE - PRINCE OF THIEVES/KAMEN

AMAZING GRACE/TICHELLI MIDWAY MARCH/WILLIAMS/MOSS

AMERICAN FANFARE/WASSON MINUTE MEN/PEARSON

AMERICAN RIVERSONGS/LA PLANTE MOLLY ON THE SHORE/GRANGER

AMERICANS WE/FILLMORE/FENNELL MOVIE MAGIC/MARSHALL

AND THE HEART REPLIES/McGINTY OF SAILORS AND WHALES/McBETH AS TEARS GO BY/JAGGER/WALLACE ON EAGLES WINGS/ROBERT W. SMITH

BAND SONG, THE/SCHUMAN ON THE MALL/GOLDMAN

BLUE MOUNTAIN SAGA/BULLA OVERTURE ON SUMMER IS A-COMIN' IN/CUSTER

BY DAWN'S EARLY LIGHT/DAWSON PEACEMAKER MARCH/KARL KING

CAJUN FOLK SONGS/TICHELLI PINEAPPLE POLL/SULLIVAN

CELEBRATION FANFARE/WILLIAMS POWER AND GLORY/SOUSA

A CELEBRATION OF SPIRITUALS/BARKER PRAIRIESONG/STROMMEN

CELEBRATIONS/ZDECHLIK PROCESSION OF THE NOBLES/KORSAKIV

CHORALE from Chorale and Caccia/WILLIAMS P.S. IT'S THE BLUES/FELDSTEIN CHORALE AND ALLEGRO/SMITH PUSTZA/VAN DER ROOST

CHORALE AND SHAKER DANCE/ZDECHLIK RED BALLOON, THE/McGINTY

CREST OF NOBILITY/SHELDON REGENESIS/HIGGINS

DANCE MOVEMENTS/SPARKE RHAPSODY ON AN OLD ENG. SEA SONG/JOHNSON

DANCE OF THE COMEDIANS/SMETANA ROLLING THUNDER/FILLMORE/FENNELL A DAY AT THE ZOO/CURNOW ROLLO TAKES A WALK/MASLANKA

DINOSAURS/BUKVICH ROYAL CORONATION DANCES/MARGOLIS

EARLY LIGHT/BREMER RUSSIAN SAILORS' DANCE/GLIERE

ELEGY FOR SELENA/FOSTER SALVATION IS CREATED/TSCHESNOKOFF

EQUINOX/SWEENEY SARABANDE AND POLKA/ARNOLD EXCALIBUR/SWEARINGEN SCENES OF WONDER/MARK WILLIAMS

FANTASY ON YANKEE DOODLE/WILLIAMS SEMPER FIDELIS/SOUSA

FIRST SUITE FOR BAND/REED SNAKES/DUFFY

FLASHING WINDS/VAN DER ROOST SONGS FOR AMERICA/BERLIN FOUR COLONIAL COUNTRY DANCES/CURNOW SORCERY SUITE/BARNES

HANDS ACROSS THE SEA/SOUSA/FINNELL STANDARD OF ST. GEORGE, THE/ALFORD

INTO THE STORM/SMITH STARS AND STRIPES FOREVER/SOUSA SYMPHONIC SUITE/WILLIAMS JAZZ CATS/MCKENNA

SYMPHONY #1/BUKVICH JOURNEY TO CENTAUROUS/HUCKEBY

JUNGLE FANTASY /IWAI SYMPHONY #2. MVT. 3/HANSON/McBETH

KENYA CONTRASTS/HIMES SYMPHONY #3/KOZHEVNIKOV LA FORZA DEL DESTINO/VERDI/LAKE TEMPEST, THE/ROBERT W. SMITH LEGENDS OF THE EAGLES/SHAFER TOCCATA/FRESCOBALDI/SLOCUM

TRADITIONAL MARCHES/ARR. BARNHOUSE LLWYN ONN/HOGG

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Minutes of the February ATSSB General Session

The General Session of ATSSB met in the Convention Center Ballroom C-1 on Thursday, February 15, 2007, with approximately 130 in attendance. President Pro Tem Jim Jones called the meeting to order at 12:36 p.m.

Mark Crim from White Oak gave the invocation. Mr. Jones introduced TMEA President Jo Scurlock-Dillard. Ms. Scurlock-Dillard gave words of welcome to ATSSB from TMEA.

Mr. Jones also introduced TMEA President-Elect Steve Andre and Band Division Vice-President J.D. Janda. He then introduced TMEA Past-President Robert Stovall who spoke for Shawn Bell, candidate for TMEA President-Elect. Michael Alexander sopke on his own behalf for the office.

Mr. Jones explained that there were no nominees for the office of Class C/CC Representative and asked for nominations from the floor. Brandon Garmon from Gilmer Junior High was nominated. Hearing no additional nominations, Mr. Jones asked for a vote by acclamation which passed unanimously. He the introduced the nominees for Class AA Representative (Gehrig Blankenship, Stephen Krupika and David Rollins) and asked for nominations from the floor. Hearing none, he introduced the nominees for President-Elect (Brandon Brewer, Paul Najera and Robert Vetter) and asked for nominations from the floor. Hearing none, speakers for the candidates approached the podium:

Gary Robbins spoke for Gehrig Blankenship, Steven Krupicka spoke for himself, Dale Stelzer spoke for David Rollins, Rob Toups spoke for Brandon Brewer, Gary Robbins spoke for Paul Najera, and Jim Koch spoke for Bob Vetter.

Mr. Jones instructed the membership to cast their ballots. Election Committee Chair Jonathan Kelly and his committee collected the ballots and counted them while the meeting continued.

The **minutes** of the General Session July 23, 2006, were approved as printed in the September Newsletter. Rob Toups thanked the SARC members for their work on the Committee and reported on action by the SARC that was approved by the SBOD.

OPS State Chair **Don Thoede** presented the 2006 OPS winners and runners-up with their awards.

Under new business, Mr. Griffin read the proposed Constitutional Amendment dealing with requirements for region officers. Motion by the State Board of Director, second by Perry Morris. Motion carried

Mr. Jones then announced the results of the election: David Rollins was elected Class AA Representative and a runoff was held between Brandon Brewer and Bob Vetter for President-Elect. Bob Vetter was elected President-Elect in the runoff balloting

Mr. Jones then presented a plaque of appreciation to Sherry Poteet and David Rollins for their two years of service as Class C/CC and AA Representatives to the SBOD.

There being no old or new business, Mr. Jones adjourned the meeting.

State Board of Directors Meeting

7:30 a.m., February 15, 2007 Menger Hotel Renaissance Room

- **Present**: Region 11 Coordinator Daniel Alemán, Region 23 Coordinator Alfred Angerstein, Founding Charter Member Rick Ball, Region 4 Coordinator Chris Brannan, Region 5 Coordinator Brandon Brewer, Region 9 Coordinator James Butler, Region 1 Coordinator Matt Daily, Region 10 Coordinator Cary Dalton, Executive Secretary and Founding Charter Member Kenneth Griffin, Region 7 Coordinator Forrester Halamicek, Founding Charter member R. Michael Hardy, Region 13 Coordinator Stephen Henry, President Pro Tem Jim Jones, Region 8 Coordinator David Lambert, Region 15 Coordinator Jorge Lozano, Founding Charter Member and Past-President Michael Marsh, Region 2 and Area North Coordinator Greg Miller, Region 21 Coordinator Michael Miller, Region 18 and Area Central Coordinator Perry Morris, Region 16 Coordinator John Odom, Region 14 Coordinator Emerico Perez, Class A Representative E. Zane Polson, Class C/CC Representative Sherry Poteet, Region 22 Coordinator George Rangel, Region 12 Coordinator John Rauschuber, Class AA Representative David Rollins, Founding Charter Member Elmer Schenk, Region 6 Coordinator Daniel Todd, President-Elect Rob Toups, Region 3 Coordinator Kyle White, and Class AAA Representative John Young. Attending as an Ex-officio member of the State Board was Past-President George Strickland. Attending as guests were State Jazz Coordinator Ellis Kilgore, Area East Coordinator Mark Melton, OPS State Chair Don Thoede, Jennifer Willison, and Area South Coordinator Eric Winterbottom. **Not present**: Area West Coordinator John Mayo, Immediate Past-President President Steven Moore, Past-Presidents Ronnie Page, Gary Robbins and Don Stockton, Past-President and Founding Charter Member Fred Pankratz, Founding Charter Members Mike Bendiksen, James Gibson, and Louis Thornton, and TMEA Band Division Vice-President J.D.
- Meeting called to order at 7:36 a.m.
- Invocation by Mark Melton of Union Grove. Oath of Office administered by Kenneth Griffin.
- **Minutes of the SBOD meeting** July 22, 2006 as printed in the September Newsletter were approved after a motion by John Odom and a second by Brandon Brewer.
- Heard a report from a **Special Committee**:
 - Jennifer Willison chaired a committee to investigate the possibility of ATSSB sponsoring a Composition Contest. Committee members included Daniel Aleman, Todd Baker, John Odom, and Fred Allen. Motion by committee, second by John Odom. Competition to begin in 2009 (submissions due by July 15, 2008). Details attached. Motion carried.
- Heard reports of Standing Committees:
 - President-Elect and SARC Chair Rob Toups thanked his committee members for their work (Scott Rhame, Steven Moss, Heather Chitty, Terri Everts, John Mize, John Young, Mike Bartley, David Landry, and Brandon Brewer) and reported State Audition Review Committee motions:
 - **Amend Section IA** of the Additional Procedures and Rules for AREA AUDITIONS, adding "must audition on flute, not piccolo." Motion by committee, second by Kyle White. Motion carried.
 - Add to Section IVB2c the following section regarding retuning of drums during the performance of an etude: "No audible or electronic tuning device may be used to re-tune timpani during the performance of an etude." Motion by committee, second by John Odom. Motion carried.
 - Change **instrumentation of the All-State Jazz Ensemble** as follows: 4 tenor trombones and 1 bass trombone (with 4th tenor trombone doubling bass trombone if there are only 4 trombone parts). Motion by committee, second by Kyle White. Motion carried.
 - Change Jazz Ensemble State CD recording instructions so Monitor's instructions
 are not recorded, noting that CDs with spoken words of any kind will be disqualified. Motion by
 committee, second by Jorge Lozano. Motion carried.
 - Clarify wording in the PAL to note that jazz ensemble students who are recorded for all-state have officially qualified for area jazz ensemble and will receive an area patch. Furthermore, students who record but do not qualify for the all-state jazz ensemble will remain eligible for all-state consideration in all other ensembles. Motion by committee, second by Perry Morris. Motion carried.
 - Add errata to Year A low clarinet, P. 7, #11: the third section "tranquillo" is to be played quarter note = 92-100. Motion by committee, second by Stephen Henry. Motion carried.
 - Amend Section IA of the Additional Procedures and Rules for AREA AUDITIONS and Section IA
 of the JAZZ ENSEMBLE AREA CERTIFICATION for bass trombone to read "must audition on slide

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- trombone, not a valve trombone or baritone." Motion by committee, second by John Odom. Motion carried.
- The SARC re-commits to the possibility of adding an A/AA All-State Band. Name an A/AA All-State Band Research Committee chaired by Stephen Henry to gather comprehensive information (including total band enrollment, number of staff, and other relevant data) in Class A, AA and AAA programs across the state and report to the SARC when ready. The SARC will then visit the issue and proceed according ly and appropriately within the guidelines of TMEA. Motion by committee, second by Brandon Brewer. Motion carried.
- There was no report from the Past-President Committee.
- In the **OPS Report** by Don Thoede, he noted that Region and Area Coordinator shipping addresses must be current and correct,
- President's Report by Jim Jones:
 - Noted that he has seen ATSSB grow over the years. His one year as ATSSB President Pro Tem made him appreciate ATSSB even more. He also noted that TMEA has extended a helping hand to ATSSB.
- Executive Secretary's Report by Kenneth Griffin:
 - He reminded Region Coordinators who still owed for region patches to please get accounts current.
 - Gave a **Scholarship Report** which showed \$52,425.58 in the Scholarship Fund and that ATSSB would be awarding 19 \$500 and 8 \$2000 scholarships this year for a total of \$25,500.
 - He asked that Region Coordinators make sure that recording companies and merchandise groups that vend at ATSSB events be official ATSSB Licensees so the Scholarship Fund (to which Licensee Royalties are paid) continues to remain solvent.
 - He noted the regions that still needed IRS EID numbers: 1, 8, 14, and 15.
 - He noted the regions that needed to file Region Rules with the state office (noting that some have them online, but did not have a copy on file with the state office): 8, 13, 14, 22.
 - He noted the regions that need to update their web page: 2, 10, 11, 14, 22 (and that all could use the Region 4 as a benchmark or example).
 - He also asked Region Coordinators to be diligent in checking membership status for region entries.
- Under old business:
 - Perry Morris asked if anything had been done regarding the issue of ATSSB sponsoring a state marching contest. Mr. Griffin noted that nothing had been done, but incoming President Rob Toups would name a committee to look into the logistics involved (with Mr. Morris's name as chair being suggested).
- Under new business:
 - Mr. Griffin withdrew an agenda item regarding Area host honorariums. Area Coordinators had met and discussed the issues Mr. Griffin intended to raise.
 - Stephen Henry moved and Daniel Aleman seconded that we pay the current clinicians the current stipend that TMEA pays. Consensus was that we stay with the contracted stipend. Motion failed.
 - John Odom moved and Stephen Henry seconded that we change Section V, C-G of the All-State Band Tryout Procedures and Guidelines to coincide with TMEA rules. Motion carried.
 - Mr. Griffin noted that an agenda item regarding the housing fee was deemed moot when he was instructed by the Executive Committee to enforce the \$100 late fee, which is to be billed to the school business office of a school late with the hotel fee payment, or submitted Purchase Order.
 - Jorge Lozano moved and Chris Brannan seconded that we raise the 3-year scholarship to \$750. Motion failed.
 - Daniel Todd moved and Stephen Henry seconded that we amend the scholarship award process to allow payment of the scholarship to the individual student on proof of enrollment in a college or university. Motion carried.
 - Stephen Henry withdrew the agenda item regarding an A/AA All-State band since the issue was already addressed by action of the State Audition Review Committee and State Board action.
 - Mr. Griffin moved and David Lambert seconded that the Retired Member dues be reduced to \$10. Motion carried.
 - Rob Toups moved and John Odom seconded that Mr. Griffin purchase a monitor and laptop. Motion carried.
 - On a motion by Brandon Brewer and a second by Mike Miller, the General Session was set for Thursday, February 15, 2007, at 12:30 p.m. in CC Ballroom C1. Motion carried.

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- Rob Toups moved and Jorge Lozano seconded that the State Board makes the motion to approve the Constitutional Amendment to be proposed in the General Session regarding Region Coordinator eligibility to serve and Honorary Life Member clarification. Motion passed.
- It was suggested that ATSSB sponsor a clinic at TBA entitled "Building Better Bands in Single-Director Schools." Clinicians to include Stephen Krupika, Tidehaven HS, Bill Harrison, Sacred Heart HS and Michael Davenport, Gatesville HS. Michael Davis, Hamlin HS was to be used as a backup.
- In other new business:
- Greg Miller asked that Region Coordinators email him of their region's use of string bass. He would like to investigate the possibility of adding string bass to the region/Area/State audition cycle.
- John Rauschuber asked what others did for students auditioning on two instruments at region who make the band on both. It was noted that they were to click OMIT on the student's name of the instrument they did not want to accept.
- Daniel Todd noted that TMEA was requiring more stringent rules regarding the use of bank accounts at the region level and thought we should also be diligent in our region fund accountability.
- Mr. Moore named Jonathan Kelly to chair the **Election Committee** to distribute, collect and count the ballots in the upcoming election.
- Region reports then were heard:
 - I. No report.
 - II. No report.
- III. No report.
- IV. Chris Brannan submitted a detailed plan for using scores in the Outstanding Performance Series competition, then moved its acceptance. Daniel Aleman seconded. Motion failed.
- V. No report.
- VI. They used a \$500 TMEA grant to bring in jazz ensemble clinicians and suggested other regions follow suit.
- VII. No report.
- VIII. No report.
- IX. No report.
- X. Asked about timpani tuning. Asked about Area audition site rotation in alternating years to keep one part of the Area from having to travel so far each year.
- XI. Thanked other Region Coordinators for helping him secure region patches after his region added a band this year due to increased participation.
- XII. No report.
- XIII. No report.
- XIV. No report.
- XV. No report.
- XVI. No report.
- XVIII. Challenged other regions to raise their region entry fees and contribute to the All-State Band Scholarship Fund like they did.
- XXI. Reminded everyone about Lindale's Class AAA.
- XXII. No report.
- XXIII. No report (Coordinator had to leave earlier).
- Area reports then were heard:

Area West No report.

Area North No report.

Area East Reminded everyone about New Boston's Class CC Honor Band Concert.

Area Central No report. Area South No report.

Mr. Jones noted the ATSSB-sponsored clinics at TMEA and encouraged attendance.

Ellis Kilgore thanked everyone for their help with the Jazz auditions this year, noted that the rehearsal venue in the Menger was a great improvement over past years and that participation in the jazz audition process had increased by 18% this year.

There being no further business, Mr. Jones adjourned the meeting.

ATSSB CLINICIANS & COMPOSERS		
1992	Gary Lewis from the University of Michigan	
1993	Myron Welch from the University of Iowa	
1994	Jared Spears from Arkansas State University	
	ELDORADO by Jared Spears (commissioned by ATSSB)	
1995	James Curnow	
1006	LONE STAR CELEBRATION, by James Curnow (commissioned by ATSSB)	
1996	Robert Foster from the University of Kansas ELECVEOR SELENA by Robert Foster (commissioned by ATSSR)	
1997	ELEGY FOR SELENA by Robert Foster (commissioned by ATSSB) Dr. Tim Lautzenheiser - SYMPHONIC BAND	
1991	Dr. Gary Garner - CONCERT BAND	
	ROMANZA SEMPLICE by Fred Allen (commissioned by ATSSB)	
1998	Anthony Maiello from George Mason University - SYMPHONIC BAND	
	Ed Huckeby - CONCERT BAND	
	NEW MILLENNIUM by Ed Huckeby (commissioned by ATSSB)	
1999	Col. Alan Bonner - SYMPHONIC BAND	
	John O'Reilly - CONCERT BAND	
•	YORKSHIRE FANTASY by John O'Reilley (commissioned by ATSSB)	
2000	David Holsinger - SYMPHONIC BAND	
	Jack Delaney from Southern Methodist University - CONCERT BAND RIDING WITH THE FRONTIER BATTALION by David Holsinger (commissioned by ATSSB)	
2001	Col. Arnald D. Gabriel (U.S. Air Force, Ret.) - SYMPHONIC BAND	
2001	Bobby Francis from Texas Christian University - CONCERT BAND	
	HILL COUNTRY HOLIDAY by Robert Sheldon (commissioned by ATSSB)	
2002	Anthony Maiello from George Mason University - SYMPHONIC BAND	
	Robert W. Smith - CONCERT BAND	
	THE STAR OF DREAMS by Robert W. Smith (commissioned by ATSSB)	
2003	W. Francis McBeth from Ouachita University - SYMPHONIC BAND	
	James Barnes from the University of Kansas - CONCERT BAND	
2004	A SOLEMN PRELUDE by James Barnes (commissioned by ATSSB) Lim Vone from the University of Illinois SYMPHONIC PAND	
2004	Jim Keene from the University of Illinois - SYMPHONIC BAND Shelly Berg from the University of Southern California - JAZZ ENSEMBLE	
	Kevin Sedatole from Baylor University - CONCERT BAND	
	FORTRESSVARIANTS by Elliot Del Borgo (commissioned by ATSSB)	
2005	Richard Floyd, UIL State Director of Music Activities - SYMPHONIC BAND	
	H. David Caffey from California State Polytechnical University - JAZZ ENSEMBLE	
	Fred J. Allen from Stephen F. Austin State University - CONCERT BAND	
	EXHILARATION by Fred J. Allen (commissioned by ATSSB)	
2006	Col. John R. Bourgeois (USMC, Ret.) - Symphonic Band	
	Paula Crider from the University of Texas at Austin - CONCERT BAND Pick Stitzel from Terrent County College LAZZ ENSEMBLE	
	Rick Stitzel from Tarrant County College - JAZZ ENSEMBLE FROM ANAHUAC TO SAN JACINTO by Gabe Musella (commissioned by ATSSB)	
2007	Jerry Junkin from the University of Texas at Austin - SYMPHONIC BAND	
2007	Jeff Hellmer from the University of Texas at Austin - JAZZ ENSEMBLE	
	Bill Brent from Northwestern State University (Natichitoches, LA) - CONCERT BAND	
	ON THE OVERLAND STAGE TO EL PASO by David Holsinger (commissioned by ATSSB)	
2008	David Holsinger from Lee University - SYMPHONIC BAND	
	Dr. Lou Fischer from Capital University Conservatory of Music - JAZZ ENSEMBLE	
	Robert Sheldon, Concert Band Editor for Alfred Publishing Company - CONCERT BAND	
	UNTITLED by Robert Sheldon (commissioned by ATSSB)	

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