

Madison County Music Educators Association
Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 16, 2026 – 7:00 PM

The Fort, Morrisville, NY

Districts Represented: Camden, Canastota, Cazenovia, Chittenango,
DeRuyter, Hamilton, Holy Cross Academy, Madison, Morrisville-Eaton,
Oneida, Stockbridge Valley, VVS

**Note: If you were in attendance at the meeting and your school is not listed, please
make sure you sign the attendance sheet.*

I. Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

II. A. Secretary's Report – Lisa Stearns

Motion to Dispense – Todd McCreery

Second: Stephanie Gwilt

So Moved

B. Treasurer's Report – Jamie McCarthy

Business as usual

Scholarship thank you – Elizabeth Shaver

Conference Day registration MLP and Google

Motion to Accept – Joe Perotta

Second – Todd McCreery

So Moved

C. Vice-President – Janelle Patchin

Janelle will be at auditions

Please plan to check in with your students after there audition so
any issues can be dealt with promptly

- County "Pinterest" like board to share ideas coming soon

D. Band Rep: George Jweid

- 5/6 Band: Chair - George Jweid - MECS

Conductor - Joe Perotta Camden

7/8 Band: Chair – Lisa Stearns - HCA
Conductor - Eric Volaski - Hamilton

9-12 Band: Chair - Tyler Rifenburg - Canastota
Conductor _____

AUDITION SET B For 7-8 and 9-12 BAND

E. Choral Representative – Kristen Tomaino

MOTION: Matt Stearns made a motion for Kristen Tomaino
to serve as Choral Representative.
PASSED

F. Orchestra Representative: Jen Chase
2026-2027 Festivals: All set for next year

5-6 Orchestra – Chair – Kaycie Romano
Conductor – Maggie Mercer

7-8 Orchestra – Chair - NEEDED
Conductor – Matteo Longhi

9- 12 Full Orchestra - Chair – Megan Russell
Conductor – David Beebe
Please encourage Winds/Brass/ Percussion

AUDITION EXCERPTS ON THE WEBSITE

G. Audition Chairperson – Ryan Hobart
- All set

H. President's Report – Matthew Stearns
- Online NYSSMA manual – more user friendly

I. Web Master– Matthew Stearns
- Set B for Bands
- MS Chorus – Jubilate Deo

- HS Chorus – April Is In My Mistress Face

J. Government Relations – Joe Perotta

K. Festival Chairperson –

- All-County audition judges needed

- Jamie will send out invoices for payment

III. OLD BUSINESS:

A. MOTION made by Jamie McCarthy to accept the 3 concert performance model when necessary based on the host school.

SECOND: Todd McCreery

PASSED

B. Music Educator's Day – 10/9/26

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

V. Dates and Reminders:

Music Educator's Day – 10/9/26

Auditions – 10/24/26 – Hamilton

Winter All-County – 1/15-16/27 – Stockbridge Valley

Spring All-County – 3/12-13/27 - Camden

VI. Adjournment: 7:46 PM

Motion to adjourn: Todd McCreery

Second: Jamie McCarthy

Respectfully Submitted,

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