

National Band Association - Wisconsin Chapter September 2021 Newsletter

Greetings NBA-WC Colleagues:

I hope this newsletter finds you healthy and well. This past school year has certainly been one for the record books. I am very happy that my school is now fully open this summer and I have been giving lessons and having marching band rehearsals as usual. Even though over half of the students have never marched before, they are doing an excellent job! Their attitude and work ethic have really impressed me. To be honest, I was afraid of what marching would be this summer after not having it last year, but to my astonishment it has been really good and has definitely lit my fire again! I look forward to hearing what is going on with you all around the state.

I am happy to announce that all of our usual activities should be happening this year:

- The **NBA-WC 2022** convention **is** happening in person on **January 20-23 at UW Oshkosh!**
- Fall music reading session will be taking place at Appleton North on Saturday, **September 25 from 9:00 am - noon.**
- Guest Band applications are due October 1st. Please consider doing this. It is a fantastic experience for your students.
- Applications to present at the convention are also due on October 1.

Please check out our website frequently at <http://www.nba-wc.org/> for more information. If you have any questions, please email me at kkirch@csdk12.net.

I would like to thank the NBA-WC Board of Directors for the work that they did to prepare and plan for our webinars over the last school year. If you were not able to attend them, we are in the process of creating a youtube channel where you can go back and watch them. They were really good!

- Teaching Band During COVID 19 - September 26, 2020
- Putting the E in Ensemble with Alex Shapiro and Glenn Hayes - November 14, 2020
- Holiday Time with Friends - featuring Colonel Lowell Graham, Dr. Joe Hermann and Dr. Linda Moorehouse - December 12, 2020
- And We Were Heard Bringing Quality Works by Underrepresented Composers with Dr. Kaitlin Bove - March 13, 2021

To conclude, I would like to thank all of you for your continued support of this organization, and for your dedication to developing young instrumental musicians. Think of what a great opportunity we have this year to drop some old tired things going on in our programs and to try some new ideas. Here's to an exciting new school year with many new beginnings!

Best Regards,
Kristen D. Kirch
Music Educator, Grades 6-12 Band
Chequamegon School District
President, National Band Association - Wisconsin Chapter



Membership Update

Membership in the Wisconsin Chapter of the National Band Association is down from 162 last year to 155 at the present time. Did you know that we are the second largest chapter in the country and the only state to host an annual convention? Please remember that the very best way to increase our membership is by your personal invitation and encouragement. The more members we have, the more vital our organization will be. If you have new directors (or more experienced ones who are not members) in your area, tell them about our state chapter and what we (and the National level) have to offer them.

If you are not sure if you are up to date on *your* membership, please go to the national site <https://nationalbandassociation.org/> and click on the join/renew tab to find out. You can now select automatic renewal so that you do not need to remember to renew each year.

Kristen Kirch, Membership Chair

Convention Registration is Online Now

Online registration is now open! Please go to <http://www.nba-wc.org/> to register today. Please remember that your registration is not complete until you pay with paypal, or send a check to:

Kristen Kirch
Chequamegon M.S.
64 South Grant Street
Glidden, WI 54527

Reading Day is Back!

It's September 25, 2021, 9 a.m. to noon at Appleton North HS, 5000 N Ballard Rd, Appleton, 54915. We'll be reading 23 new compositions, a mix of flex Band as well as regular full band works, grades ½ through 3.

Interested teachers should register with me as to their instrument and willingness to conduct (or not) by sending me an email at jerry.koleske@gmail.com.

NBA All State Band

The NBA All State Band for January of 2022 will feature a return of one of our best NBA All State Band Conductors. Dr. Joseph Hermann, formerly of Tennessee Tech University will return to the podium to provide a wonderful and challenging experience for our top students. His program will be posted as soon as I have it.

If you have had students participate in the past, you know the quality of this experience for our students and profession. If you have not had students participate in the past, please do so NOW. Your students will have a chance to interact with some of the finest musicians in our state and to rehearse and perform with a world famous conductor/composer. All of this in just one weekend at a first class music facility.

Some additional information:

1. We will follow UW Oshkosh Covid protocols and we will update as we get closer to the event. Current mask mandate.
2. A consideration that we are declaring now is that the band will have between 60-70 members this year to allow for spacing.
3. The event will remain a 2 day event with rehearsal beginning at 2pm on Friday and culminating with the Finale Concert on Saturday night, January 22.
4. Fees are \$135 per student this year to allow for 2 students per room for housing. Attempts will be made to house "by school" when possible. Communication will take place with directors once the band is selected regarding housing information. NOTE that this fee covers housing, guest conductor, all meals when on site and transportation at the convention. NOTE also that T-Shirt will be available for an additional fee.

Reminders when submitting applicants:

1. All Schools receive placement of their #1 ranked applicant. It is CRUCIAL that you rank only 1 student #1. Don't play games here, just rank the one student that you feel needs to have this experience first.
2. All schools will receive a 2nd student before any school gets a 3rd student. NOTE: this may NOT be your #2 ranked student as I switch to "instrumentation needs" after placing your #1 student in the band. Often 1 or 2 sections are "full" after #1 students are placed in the band. Your second student will be based on instrumentation needs. Advice, still just submit an application for students that you think are deserving of this experience. There is NEVER a guarantee as to which sections will have needs and which will fill quickly so don't overthink it, just submit.
3. Please only submit students who are able to attend that weekend.

Dates/Deadlines

October 15-application deadline via link below. Also posted on website

November 1-rosters posted and directors notified by email

November 15-Forms and Music Available to Directors

December 6-Payments and forms due to me by US Mail.

January 21-22-All State Band at Oshkosh (2pm Friday downbeat)

Link to the application for this year:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe3xFg2Lb2OGHne_AFNotuh8nAftyreAsAd5pq2ehqmTJpq2A/viewform?usp=sf_link

Monte Dunnum, All State Band Chair

All State Junior Band News

We are so excited to be back with the **2022 NBA-WC All-State Junior Band!** NBA-WC members have consistently nominated their best students for this ensemble and we invite you to do the same again this year. This year's group will be conducted by **Katheryn Fenske**, a music educator in St. Louis. An amazing educator and composer, she is excited to work with our wonderful students. She has a great program put together and the students are going to enjoy working with her!

Costs have not changed and will remain at \$45 per student. If you have never had students participate in the All State Junior Band, don't hesitate to nominate them for this great event!

PLEASE NOTE...NOMINATIONS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED VIA THE NBA-WC WEBSITE

Please take the time to nominate three or four of your best students for our all-state group. On the NBA-WC website, click on the link for All State Junior Band and then on "Nominations." **If for any reason you have difficulty with this process, please contact me directly.** The nomination form must be completed no later than October 15th...Deadlines will be enforced without exception.

TIMELINE:

Now through October 15: directors enter nominations via website

November 1: rosters posted and directors notified via email

November 15: music and forms available to directors

December 6: payments and forms due to me via US Mail

January 22: All-State Junior Band at UW-Oshkosh

It is expected that directors register for the convention...please check the website to register.

REPERTOIRE:

Fanfare for the 16th Empire

Nottingham Castle

Terracotta Warriors

Cowbell Lullaby

African Festival

Randall Standridge

Larry Daehn

Scott Watson

Katheryn Fenske

Quincy Hillard

If you have questions please get in touch with me at katherineprihoda@tomah.education or by phone at (608) 374-7931. See you in January!

Katie Prihoda, All-State Junior Band Chair

Guest Band Application Information

1. Applications due October 1st; notified by October 14
2. Application details
 - a) Ensembles can submit recordings from 2019 or 2020 (including spring semester 2019).
 - b) Recordings should be no longer than 25 minutes of live, unedited, recordings as an mp3.
 - c) Recording should be labeled as follows: Ex.
01_balmages_moscow_1941.mp3
Do not use spaces or special characters in the titles.
 - d) Directors will be asked to provide samples of programs from previous years as well as some descriptive data about the program (number of students in band, school size, etc).
4. Online submissions open on Sept 1st, <http://www.nba-wc.org/>

Intercollegiate Band

Congratulations to and welcome back to Dr. Richard Mark Heidel from the University of Iowa for being select as conductor for the 2022 NBA-WC Intercollegiate Honors Band. You should be receiving information from me Labor Day week about nominating students via e-mail. Applications will also be available on the NBA-WC website www.nba-wc.org The cost for students is \$25 and will include the state convention registration.

The program for the college group will be:

Fantasia in G – Timothy Mahr

Rest – Frank Ticheli

Khan – Julie Giroux

Shimmering Sunshine – Kevin Day

The White Rose March – John Philip Sousa/arr. Keith Brion

Themes from “Green Bushes” – Percy Aldridge Grainger, Setting by Larry Daehn

Respectfully submitted by

Rob Doersam, NBA-WC Intercollegiate Honors Band Chair

Convention Clinics

We would like to invite you to submit a clinic proposal for the 2022 State Convention! If you have an idea you would like to share with the band community, please fill out a clinic application form by October 1, 2021. Please email completed applications to Paula Neuzil at paula.neuzil@brf.org. An application form is available in the newsletter and on the NBA-WC website.

National Band Association – Wisconsin Chapter State Conference, January 21-22, 2022

University of Wisconsin – Oshkosh

Call for Clinic Proposal

Proposal Deadline – October 1, 2021

Email proposal to Paula Neuzil- paula.neuzil@brf.org

Name: _____

Email: _____

School: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Phone: _____

Title for your Session: _____

Abstract (250 word description of your session – to be included in convention program)

Do you need sound for your presentation? ___Yes ___No

Do you need a projector for your presentation? ___Yes ___No

NBA AWARDS AVAILABLE

The National Band Association is proud to sponsor a number of awards for students and educators alike. Most of these awards are available at the state level and can be obtained with two weeks notice.

Plan to use these awards as part of your program next year. The positive recognition of outstanding achievement is a strong motivational tool for our students.

The Band Boosters Award, Outstanding Band Musician Award, and Outstanding Jazz Student Award application is below. **Also available** are the Outstanding Music Camper Award, Outstanding Jazz Educator Award, Certificate of Merit for Marching Excellence, and Citation of Excellence. Write to Lisa Zemlock at the address below for more information about these awards.

BAND BOOSTERS AWARD

This award is presented to an individual that the band director feels has made a significant contribution to the local music program. Students are not eligible. *Note: If more than one certificate is requested, attach an explanation supporting the additional request.

Name(s) of recipient: _____

OUTSTANDING BAND MUSICIAN AWARD

This award is present to an outstanding musician in a concert band.

Name of recipient: _____

OUTSTANDING JAZZ STUDENT AWARD

This award is to recognize outstanding high school jazz students. Directors may recognize one senior, one junior, and one sophomore.

OUTSTANDING SENIOR _____

OUTSTANDING JUNIOR _____

OUTSTANDING SOPHOMORE _____

Name of Director, Director's School Mailing Address:

SEND THIS REQUEST TO: Lisa Zemlock

504 Stanley Ave
Oshkosh, WI 54901
920-379-2090



National Band Association

Wisconsin Chapter



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Minutes - June 12, 2021 9:00AM

Executive Board met at 8:30

Board of Directors Meeting called to order by president Kirch at 9:00am

In attendance: Kirch, Lussier, Waldhart, Pollock, Stewart, Zemlock, Neuzil, Doersam, Prihoda, Otto, Heninger, Bartsch, Fuhrman, Polancich, Kekula, Dunnum, Oskey, Koleske

I. Approval of Agenda

A. Motion to approve agenda by Otto, 2nd Zemlock, motion carries

II. Approval of Reports

- Secretary – Lussier
 1. Minutes from 1/9/21 and update Board of Directors information
 2. Motion to approve secretaries report by Doersam, 2nd Otto, motion carries
- Treasurer – Pollock
 1. Correction to balance listed on report
 2. Motion to approve Treasurer's report by Neuzil, 2nd Stewart, motion carries

III. Additional Reports

- Membership - Kirch
 1. Very few expired members rejoin when emailed about membership
 2. Currently 154 members
- Newsletter - Kekula
 1. Keep newsletter all digital but email addresses need to be correct; can also link on Website and Facebook
 2. When emails bounce back follow up with a text to get a correct email
 3. Kristin will send an email to membership soon regarding upcoming year and Oskey will post on Facebook
 4. Newsletter will go out mid-August; submissions to Kekula by August 1

IV. NBA-WC 2022 Convention in Oshkosh Updates

A. Coordinator Update– Otto

1. A/C Building lower level is being renovated which may not be completed by convention time.
 - a) Rehearsal room and music hall should still be accessible. Requesting that they don't work on Friday if construction is still going on.
 - b) 2nd rehearsal/reading clinic space will need to be moved-Otto is working on finding that space
2. Everything else should work out the same as 2020 unless the COVID situation changes.

B. Guest Bands – Stewart

1. Applications due October 1st; notified by October 14th
2. Committee: Stewart, Zemlock, Pollock

3. Application details

- a) Ensembles can submit recordings from 2019 or 2020 (including spring semester 2019).
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01_balmages_moscow_1941.mp3
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- d) Directors will be asked to provide samples of programs from previous years as well as some descriptive data about the program (number of students in band, school size, etc).

4. Open online submissions on Sept 1st

C. "All-State" / "Intercollegiate" Bands – Prihoda, Dunnum, Doersam 1. Junior-Prihoda

- a) Katheryn Fenske
- b) Coming from St Louis; will need to stay 2 nights in the hotel
- c) Should have a contract-Dunnum will share the one he uses

All-State-Dunnum

- a) Joe Hermann
- b) Application submissions open Sept 1st
- c) 2023 conductor is lined up, too

Intercollegiate-Doersam

- a) Mark Heidel

D. Commission Project - Waldhart/Doersam

1. 2023 or 2024 to premiere work with Intercollegiate Band
2. Interest in a composer from an underrepresented group

E. Awards – Zemlock

1. New vendor is Oshkosh Trophy
2. Heninger brought up question about award expense for awards presented outside of the convention as recently a retiring member was presented with a plaque with the NBA Citation of Excellence and the plaque cost was \$133.00
3. Motion by Dunnum that we pay for this bill (\$133.00) and hold on any other presentations until a committee can be formed and criteria established for presentations in the future. 2nd by Kekula
4. Discussion about financial ramifications over time Motion carries
5. Committee: Waldhart, Koleske, Dunnum

F. Media Specialist– Oskey

1. Will share info about 2022 convention and dates associated with
2. Willing to post what programs of members are doing - include something in the next newsletter encouraging members to find our page & let us know if we can share their school's/program's posts on our page.
3. Create youtube channel

G. Clinics – Neuzil

1. Applications due Oct 1, available online Sept 1; by end of October confirm with clinicians

2. Depending on number of submissions, discuss via email which clinics to select or fill gaps in the schedule

H. Registration – Kirch

1. Online registration form will be updated & shared with Otto

I. Reading Band – Bartsch

1. Share any new rep you find that you think should be on the list

V. Old Business

- Wrap up of webinars
 6. Thank you to the committee that worked on this
 7. Attendance wasn't great but all the webinars were great
 8. Look into getting permission to post recordings on youtube channel and link on website/facebook. Unlisted or public? Send to members only or post? Time limit?
 9. Send recordings to Oskey with permission information
- Weather considerations for convention
 1. Include language on applications that there is no refund guaranteed due to costs incurred in planning the convention if we need to cancel
 2. Coordinators will include this language on application paperwork
Disclaimer: Should the NBA-WC Convention/All-State Bands be cancelled due to inclement weather, pandemic, or act of God, refunds will not be issued as NBA-WC is a non-profit organization. The fees cover the non-refundable costs of the convention. Also, if a school or individual participant cancels, no refund will be offered.

VI. New Business

- 2023-2024 Convention Location - 2 applicants UW Whitewater & Carroll University
 1. Exec board recommended UW Whitewater host 2023 and 2024
 2. Carroll University could host in the future after a more central location
 3. Motion by Doersam to accept the nomination of UW Whitewater to be the next convention host; 2nd Otto, discussion
 4. Doersam amended the motion to: Motion to offer to Dr. Glenn Hayes and UW Whitewater to host both the 2023 and 2024 conventions; 2nd Otto; motion carries
- Upcoming convention dates
 1. Jan 20-23, 2022
 2. Jan 19-22, 2023
 3. Jan 18-21, 2024
- Discussion on discontinuing our affiliation with the National association and having a "Wisconsin Band Association" (not necessarily what it would be named).
 1. Pros and Cons were discussed as well as what being a separate entity would entail legally
 2. We will continue to discuss considerations and work to decide what to communicate to general membership

VII. For the Good of the Cause

- Fall Reading Session
 1. Saturday September 25, 2021 9:00am-12:00pm

2. Appleton North High School
3. Highlighting new music from 2020 & 2021 focusing on music up to Grade 3 including some flex arrangements

- Next Meeting

1. Saturday August 28, 2021 via Zoom 9:00am

VIII. Motion to adjourn by Zemlock; 2nd Otto; meeting adjourned 11:19am

NBA-WC Board of Directors

Minutes - August 28, 2021 9:00AM

Board of Directors Meeting called to order by president Kirch at 9:02am

In attendance: Kirch, Lussier, Zemlock, Kekula, Spicer, Bartsch, Neuzil, Prihoda, Koleske, Dunnum, Heninger, Otto, Fuhrman, Oskey, Doersam, Michaels

I. Approval of Agenda

- A. Motion to approve Agenda by Koleske, 2nd Heninger, motion carries

II. Approval of Reports

A. Secretary – Lussier

1. Minutes from 6/12/21 reviewed
2. Motion to approve Secretary’s report by Doersam, 2nd Neuzil, motion carries

B. Treasurer – Pollock

1. Updated financials shared via email prior to meeting
2. Motion to approve Treasurer’s report by Zemlock, 2nd Koleske, motion carries

III. Additional Reports

A. Membership - Kirch Currently 155 members

B. Newsletter - Kekula

1. Newsletter is ready to send electronically; no paper mailing
2. Will send when website reflects the information in the newsletter
3. Newsletter will also be posted on website & Facebook page

C. Fall Reading Session - Koleske

1. Saturday September 25th 9:00am-12:00pm at Appleton West High School
2. Share with your district/conference directors - Koleske is the contact
3. New music, new composers, grades 1/2-3
4. Heid music is sponsoring the event

D. NBA Booth at WMEA Conference - Spicer

1. We are registered for the exhibit hall
2. Look for an email from Spicer early in fall to volunteer to spend a session at the booth
3. Idea was brought up to come up with some kind of NBA-WC “swag” -
4. Heninger will look into getting pens with our name and website
5. We should create a brochure to replace the different handouts we currently have.

Oskey will begin working on one.

IV. NBA-WC 2022 Convention in Oshkosh Updates

A. Coordinator Update– Otto

1. Hotel block is still intact from previous year
2. University facilities are being reserved
3. Current COVID guidelines at UW Oshkosh
 - a) Masks are required indoors regardless of vaccination status
 - b) Musician masks & bell covers/flute foot joint cover
 - c) 3 ft distance between musicians-impacts size of ensemble that can fit on stage
 - d) No maximum audience size
4. Live stream is available
5. Luncheon-ask for more tables to be set up to allow people to distance more
6. Afterglow-room is already reserved as part of hotel contract but eliminate the food

B. Guest Bands – Stewart (emailed report below)

1. Applications due October 1st; notified by October 14th
2. Committee: Stewart, Zemlock, Pollock
3. Application details
 - a) Ensembles can submit recordings from 2019 or 2020 (including spring semester 2019).
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 - d) Directors will be asked to provide samples of programs from previous years as well as some descriptive data about the program (number of students in band, school size, etc).
4. Open online submissions available Sept 1st (I will send the link later for Devon to put on the webpage and for Kristin to send to membership).
5. Selected Bands must follow safety protocols outlined by the host school. This may include masks, bell covers, and adjusted spacing between musicians. We will need to include the current safety guidelines on the Guest Band webpage.

C. “All-State” / “Intercollegiate” Bands – Prihoda, Dunnun, Doersam

1. Collegiate
2. Mark Heidel is set and music is in
3. Will contact current college directors

B. Junior

1. Set for this year
2. Looking for ideas for conductors for the upcoming conventions. We can expand our search outside the state if the board is willing to pay a little more for travel. Currently we give a \$500 stipend.

C. Senior

1. Joe Herman is onboard; still waiting on a program
2. Possible adjustments to account for COVID
 1. Roster will be 60-70 students

2. Only 2 students/hotel room; same district when possible
3. Up fee \$25/student to cover cost of changes
4. Avoid programming pieces that call for piano to allow for more space on stage
5. All ensembles should be capped at 70 students
6. Motion by Otto: Cap all ensembles at 70 students; raise the fee this year for high school \$30 (2 per hotel room), junior \$5, intercollegiate \$5. 2nd by Zemlock Motion carries

D. Update newsletter to reflect changes

E. Commission Project - Waldhart/Doersam No update at this time

F. Awards – Zemlock

1. Oshkosh Trophy is our new vendor
2. Send Zemlock the names of all of the conductors for plaques exactly as it should appear (Joe vs Joseph; Dr. in front, etc)

G. Media Specialist– Oskey

1. Youtube channel created [HERE](#) -more content will be added
2. Schools/directors can share what is happening in their schools
3. Convention information was posted on Facebook this summer

H. Clinics – Neuzil

1. Applications going out soon and due October 1st
2. Selected and notified by mid November
3. Saturday morning is collegiate director

I. Registration – Kirch

1. Only online for pre-registering
2. Paper will be available at convention

J. Reading Band – Bartsch Compare list with Fall Reading day to make sure we don't have crossover

V. Old Business

A. Discontinuing our affiliation with the National Band Association and forming our own state organization.

1. Table for now
2. Form a committee chaired by Waldhart
3. Others who want to be on committee: Zemlock, let Waldhart know

VI. New Business

2023-2024 Convention Location - UW Whitewater hosted by Dr. Glenn Hayes

Upcoming convention dates

1. Jan 20-23, 2022 (UW Oshkosh)
2. Jan 19-22, 2023 (UW-Whitewater)
3. Jan 18-21, 2024 (UW-Whitewater)

VII. For the Good of the Cause

1. Officer Vacancy: Treasurer (please notify Kirch if you are interested in finishing this term)
2. Next Meeting
 1. Saturday January 8th 10:00am
 2. UW Oshkosh Arts & Communications Building (N211)

VIII. Motion to adjourn by Oskey, 2nd Dunnun, motion carries

NBA-WC Board of Directors



FIRST	LAST	POSITION	EMAIL
Zachary	Bartsch	Convention Reading Clinic	zebartsch@gmail.com
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