



LOS ANGELES SECONDARY MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION
P.O. Box 34666 Los Angeles, CA 90034-9998

LASMTA MEETING

Date: Monday, October 25, 2021
Official Meeting Time: 6:00-7:30 pm
Meeting ID: 810 4193 7974

- I. Called to Order** at 6:05 PM
- II. Introductions**
- III. Attendance:** Juan Rodriguez, Andres Villanueva, Amy Lui, David Lee, Mark Johnsen, Julie West, Ashlie Neilsen, Kelly Anthony, Michael Turner, Cameron Yassaman, Daniel Gruber, Brian Blanchard, Monica Chi, Claudio Alcantar, Clemente Sanchez, Erica Clewett, Juan Cuevas, Tina Curtis, Dan Taguchi, Darnella Davidson, Carlos Dominguez, Edward Vickers, Fernando Marengo, Danielle Firouzi, James Lownes, James Rozsa, Jonathan Hinckley, Katie Eikam, Karlos Kuhlmann, Jose Medina, Louis Rabaso, Greg Robinson, Ronald Koh, Stewart Rosen, Alexander Waggoner, Jim Lownes, Jose Gamboa, Julio Sequeira, Fernando Morenc
- IV. Approval of September 2021 Minutes**
 - A. Mark Johnsen motions to approve at 6:18 PM, Darnella Davidson seconds
- V. Reports**
 - A. President's Report**
 - i. Area Representatives
 - ii. Textbook Approvals
 - 1. Juan - spoke to his categorical funding personnel at Frost MS; music is not considered an academic subject so need to use IMA money from district; needs a state governed committee to approve - currently only have English, Science, Math, History
 - iii. AEB Money
 - 1. Supplemental Money-LCAFF
 - a. AEB funding is available at school sites now under funding code 10423
 - b. Not recommended to purchase PPE with that money (use ESSR and LCAFF)
 - c. IMA is different from arts allocation
 - 2. Talk to your principals
 - 3. P-Cards
 - B. Vice President's Report**
 - i. Mentor/mentee - as of now, 4 signed up to be mentor, 2 as mentee
 - C. Secretary's Report**
 - i. Website tour
 - ii. Registration needed on website to create a login in order to access certain members-only pages such as member directory
 - D. Treasurer's Report**
 - i. Tina motions to approve at 6:37 PM, Julie seconds
 - E. UTLA Liasion**



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i. Musician PPE Summary -

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LASMTA President and UTLA Liaison met with

Dept of Emergency Services, Dept. of Health and Safety, AEB, Allison Towery and more.

here's how it's going

-Musicians Masks are approved by LA County of Dept of Health BUT NOT by LAUSD..yet!

- Our next steps, are to ask the district to send out a bulletin allowing us to follow LA county guidelines and return inside if we so desire, we are seeking professional flexibility.
- If we can get approval to return to inside instruction, we then plan to tackle the concerts conversation.

-PPE has begun being distributed. Fill out this survey so we can track which schools need follow up.

Background Info Reminder: We sought to pursue this for the teachers who have admin that do not know or care to support the arts, every music program should have PPE regardless of admin discretion.

- ii. UTLA takes position of LAUSD being the safest in the country - so hesitant to allow wind instruments indoors
- iii. Some people have received PPE but most people haven't yet
- iv. Nobody received the musicians mask (vocal) because county didn't approve of it before
- v. Fill out form to gather data of schools who did not receive any PPE yet: <https://forms.gle/kUbyV24dUU7scZLW9>
- vi. Question on performances - seems to be up to admin on approving performances
- vii. Forming a music teachers group within UTLA to have representation
 1. Goal to have 1 instrument per student - eliminating sharing

VI. New Business

A. Secondary Arts Professional Development

- i. Saturday, Nov 6, 2021 at 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
 1. Per Juan - might already be full

B. Instrument Repair

- i. Brian Blanchard - repairs have been quick; able to receive instruments back within a week

C. Instructional Summits

- i. Will allow the district to showcase that music education is active
- ii. Some funding may be provided for those who participate
- iii. Email from Chris Rodriguez was sent on September 20, no sign ups available yet - Juan will follow up

D. Solo & Ensemble Festival-Date has been set for Saturday, April 2nd at Hamilton H.S.

- i. Rupp and private lessons scholarships will still continue this school year

VII. Next Meeting

- A. Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at 6:00 - 7:30 PM

VIII. Adjournment Meeting adjourned motioned by Ashlie Neilsen at 7:26 PM and seconded by Tina Curtis

Minutes respectfully submitted by Amy Lui