

NW KMEA CHOIR DIRECTOR'S MEETING
December 5, 2015
10:00 a.m.

Janelle Antholz- choral chair called the meeting to order.

- I. Clinician for High School is Ken Hakoda from Kansas Wesleyan University in Salina
- II. Accompanist-Judy Weber
- III. High School Honor Choir results-
 - A. Auditions were held November 7, 2015
 - B. Registered to audition-247
 - C. Actual Audition-188
 - D. Selected for choir-158
 - E. In attendance today-151
 - F. State Entries-24
- IV. District Convention will be held second weekend in 2016-December 10.
- V. Janell stated for choral auditions there were 12 judges as well as a few others who helped with form pick up and the tallying of scores. It was a long day but it all seemed to run smoothly for the most part.
- VI. Thank you to Johnny Matlock, Max Befort, and all the volunteers at Hays High School for their part in making the day run so smoothly.
- VII. Janell stated as always more guys are needed to balance out the ladies. Especially tenors are needed and she encourage directors to have more guys audition.
- VIII. It was suggested to the directors to make sure they have the website for the Northwest District bookmarked: www.ksmea.org/nw/. There they will find the New Teacher Handbook and the dates and information needed to register for district and state honor choir. It also links you to the state site. Please check the website and your emails often.

- IX. Janell also stated that students must be in attendance for all rehearsals and the concert to be eligible for State Honor Choir.
- X. There is no audition fee for district honor choir- only for those once selected for the Honor choir. The fee is \$10.00 to be paid even if the student does not participate.
- XI. Janell read the list of four year participants and asked if any additions.
- XII. Janell introduced Bill Schick the advocacy and mentor chair. Bill asked if there were any new teachers that were not assigned and mentor and also explained about the dinner at the beginning of the year for new teachers and mentors.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Reishus
District Manager