NW KMEA CHOIR DIRECTOR'S MEETING December 11, 2010 10:00 a.m.

Susan Nelson choral chair called the meeting to order.

- I. Directors need to turn in names of four year choir members to Susan so medals may be given today.
- II. Terry Barnham is guest clinician for the convention.
- III. Susan recommended that directors make sure to pass out to students the schedule of KMEA date of auditions and conventions at the beginning of the school year, so students know dates way ahead of time. This should prevent conflicts with ACT tests, Basketball games and other events. There were 16 cancellations this year due to conflicts.
- IV. Susan stated again that it is a state policy that students need to be at District choir practice the whole day to be eligible for state honor choir.
- V. A question was asked regarding how the number of students from the Northwest district and other districts are represented in state choir and how this is determined. Susan stated it is based on amount of students enrolled in schools.
- VI. Susan commented that it is the teacher's responsibility to prepare student for District KMEA auditions and the concerts if student is selected. Teacher needs to read audition directions carefully including the foreign language.
- VII. 2011 District Mini Convention will be the first Saturday in December.
- VIII. Susan stated everyone needs to have respect for the organization and the rules set up for KMEA. So please let chairman know if a student does not show up for district honor choir. **DO NOT**SUBSITUTE IF YOUR STUDENT DOES NOT SHOW UP!!!

- IX. If there are new music teachers around your school help them out.
- X. Mentors are needed for new teachers. Ask the school's principle to forward name of new music teacher in their school so someone from KMEA can contact them.
- XI. KMEA is one website KSHSAA is another website
- XII. Northwest district does not charge a registration fee for choir Auditions. There was a mistake on the website and it has been corrected.
- XIII Susan encouraged all band and choir directors to be at all district Meetings.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Connie Reishus District Secretary