

NW KMEA CHOIR DIRECTOR'S MEETING
December 7, 2019
10:00 a.m.

Jessica Hakoda-chair called the meeting to order.

- I. Assistant-Alex Underwood-Hays High
- II. Clinician-Mariana Farah-Kansas University
- III. Accompanist-Pam McGowne-FHSU
- IV. High School Honor Choir results-
 - A. Auditions were held November 2, 2019
 - B. Registered to audition-316
 - C. Actual Audition-244 counting CDs
 - D. Selected for choir-180
 - E. In attendance today-170
 - F. Schools represented -31
- V. Jessica stated she would like to thank all who helped with the auditions. The day went smoothly thanks to teachers that volunteered to help as well as Matt Rome and Alex Underwood who took care of getting the rooms that were needed and volunteers to run CD players and door monitors. There was a bit of a challenge getting judges this year.
- VI. There was still a lot of cancellations causing so many schedule changes. **State choir numbers are determined by total student population in the district and our actual audition numbers.**
Cancellations do not help the District.

*****SPECIAL NOTE: Late audition fees must be paid before student will be allowed to audition.**

- VII. District Choir Numbers
 - A. How many should be accepted for District Honor Choir as instructions for selection is very vague.
 - B. Space is limited
 - C. Honor Choir wanted
 - D. Tenors are low in numbers along with Bass 2
Plenty of ladies voice parts.
 - E. Much discussion was held concerning selection. Suggestions to take top 25 in each sections with any score below a certain number not eligible.
 - F. No decision was made at the meeting but will be brought at afternoon business meeting.
- VIII. Jessica stated to please read emails and refer to the ksmea.org website.
- IX. Each student needs their own original copy of each song for auditions and for District concert.
- X. Concert today: Choir will sit in reserved section in the balcony. Students need to be respectful audience members during performances of other ensembles. No cell phones.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Reishus
District Manager