

**Colorado ASTA with NSOA
General Membership Meeting
January 23, 2004
Minutes**

- I. Meeting called to order by Michelle Ewer, president
Approximately 40 members were in attendance
- II. Minutes from November meeting were read and approved
- III. Bob Gillespie presented news from the national office
 - *March will be the last ASTA National Forum
 - *Each year in the future a national ASTA conference will be held, these dates will vary to accommodate more members and the locations
 - *MENC has been withdrawing support from ASTA. They offered no space, wouldn't allow for marketing of publications, and gave no support to the National honors orchestra
 - *February 24-26, 2005 the conference will be in Reno, Nevada
 - ~Proposal deadline is March 1, 2003
 - ~Midori will be assisting with the solo competition
 - ~Master classes will be held for all levels of students
 - ~Major performers will be soloists
 - *National Orchestra Festival in March
 - ~Dallas Symphony members will lead sectionals
 - *Dues will be raised next year with 80% of monies going back to your state
- IV. Establishing a letterhead logo is still a priority for the board. Lindsay Wallace presented a logo that with some improvements/adjustments may be used. Fred Jewell will work with her. The final logo will need board approval.
- V. Awards to be presented at the conference:
 - *Becky Anderson - Outstanding Teacher
 - *Larry Overton - Lifetime Service
- VI. Linda Johnson, the new webmaster, was introduced. Please submit items you would like to see on the web page. The address is on the front of the newsletter.
- VII. Summer Convention dates: July 22-23
Location: Wyndham Denver Tech and Cherry Creek High School
Sessions: Clinician from Jazz Fiddle Wizard, Upper string sessions, and proper use of the voice
- VIII. Treasurer's Report:
 - \$6198.96 in checking, still owe CBA for summer conference
 - \$1503.73 in scholarship fund
 - *Membership is slightly down, please keep dues current

- IX. CASTA Summer Camp:
- *Brochures will be ready soon
 - *Steve McNeil will be the music director
 - *Cameron Law will obtain the mailing list from the national office in order to mail out brochures
 - *There was a request and approval from the membership to increase the total scholarship amount to \$450
 - *Student intern application will be published on the website
 - *Bob Gillespie requested that information on the internship program be sent to Deanna Tompkins at Nationals
 - *This year enrollment will be capped at 122 students
- X. Old Business
- *All-State: issues of moving to a different site were raised; Troy Raper informed the membership that we don't pay CU anything and we should therefore keep it there; there are issues with parking at CU; DU is interested in hosting the event but do not want to arouse harsh feeling; the issue will be discussed again at a later date but for now there is a consensus to leave All-State at CU
- XI. New Business
- *Viola Day is April 10
 - *National Symphony Orchestra applications distributed
 - *All-State Judging this year based part of the score on the difficulty of the piece; there was a request to put this grading list on the website
 - *Introduction of new members in the area
 - *Rocky Ridge Music Center has a new director
 - *Margaret Berg is looking for an alternative date for the CASTA Chamber Music Day
 - *Kip Mason, past-president, proposed a different means for this years election
 - *Congratulation to Andreas Meyers the President Elect