

# NATS Arkansas Chapter Meeting

Feb. 26, 2011, Harding University

Meeting was called to order by Jon Clements at 8:15 a.m.

New members were introduced: Timothy Bartlett.

Jon asked us to encourage voice teachers around the state to attend the conference with students and build up membership and conference numbers.

It was suggested that we distribute minutes from meetings via email or website after the conference, rather than waiting until the next conference.

Rager moved to accept minutes as presented. Motion was seconded and passed.

Treasurer's report: Estimated post-conference balance is \$3031.37. This is down approx. \$450 from last year, but we expect \$600 still to come in from the NATS discretionary fund. Paul moved to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded and passed.

Discussion of future conferences:

- Fall Region (likely Nov. 10-12), in Clinton, MS at Southern Miss.

Copyright compliance: The policy requiring accompanists to play from originals seems to be working well, with only 1 or 2 reported minor incidents. Judges were asked to bring any concerns about copyright issues to the auditions chair. Three public domain websites were cited as "legal copies," with a wealth of material available:

- cpdl.org
- imslp.org
- librarymusicsource.com
- artsongcentral.org? .com?
- cdsheetmusic CD-rom

Future sites for State Conferences (tentative):

- 2012 UCA
- 2013 OBU
- 2014 JBU (first conference at John Brown)
- 2015 ATU
- 2016 HSU

Next year there may be a conflict for many students that sing in choirs, because Arkansas Symphony is doing Beethoven 9 that weekend. UCA will serve as site host since that is a close location to Little Rock.

Suggestion to add tabs for composer on the repertoire sheets in Excel.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45.