2/29 – WVASTA meeting minutes

Charleston Convention and Colosseum Center – Room 213 – 7:00pm

#### Reports

#### Treasury

| According to Ms. Brock: |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Balance as of 12/31/22  | 7155.87   |
| Receipts                | + 5804.45 |
| Expenses                | - 2860.41 |
| Balance as of 2/9/24    | 10099.41  |

## **Old Business**

Solo Competition 2023

- 5 winners last year, played a recital during String Day 2023

### New Business

ASTA Nominations for President President-Elect Treasurer Secretary

- Nathan Rihn will be President
- One person was nominated to Treasurer and Secretary each, but those names were not shared during this meeting.
- New officers for President-Elect, Treasurer, and Secretary were not voted on or elected at tonight's meeting.

### ASTA Solo Competition

- Dr. Ellis proposed a couple changes
  - $\circ~$  one of prizes be a free lesson with a WVU professor
  - o other a small cash prize \$50-100
  - - Add a collegiate division
  - Ms. Nelson wants to avoid having WVU and ASTA tied too closely by having the prize being specific towards WVU
  - Ms. Wood suggested having a gift certificate to someplace like Shar
  - Mr. Rihn suggested more regional focus
    - According to Ms. Nelson, WVSO is looking to get more involved.
  - June 1<sup>st</sup> is deadline for this year

**Outstanding Senior** 

Just send an email to Dr. Ellis – name and justification

- March 15<sup>th</sup> is the deadline

## String Day 2024

- Ms. Nelson needs help if she is going to organize it again
  - Be around during event, make phone calls (t-shirts, food, etc.), get registration
  - Walter offered changing the format to small groups instead of large group
    - Mr. Rihn and Ms. Nelson suggested groups work on different styles/repertoire, ex.: bluegrass, mariachi, etc., tailored to individual student interest
  - Further ideas for string day should be directed to Nathan Rihn

# ASTA

- Mr. Rihn wants to get more people to go to ASTA
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Find ways to help with the costs  $\;$
  - Would like to talk about it in future meetings
- Dr. Ellis offered that with our financial situation we probably could offer \$500 scholarships to help, and it should be easy to set up
  - This proposal would have to be voted on at a later ASTA-specific meeting