



Music Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes & Recommendations  
June 8, 2017

The following were present for the meeting: David Larkin, Bureau Valley North; Jane Davis, Prophetstown PLT; Jeremy Dassow, St. Joseph; Amy Schneider, Bradley Central; and Julie Marquardt, Principal, Mt. Zion JHS.

The IESA Music Advisory Committee makes the following recommendations to the IESA Board of Directors for its June, 2017 meeting:

**\*To make the following change to the Terms and Conditions:**

**Recommendation:**

If accompaniment is called for in a score, it must be provided and performed live. Additional instrumentation called for in a score is also permitted e.g. a flute solo along with a piano accompaniment for a chorus presentation. It is recommended by the Music Advisory Committee that the additional part be performed by a student. If a recording of any kind is used for an accompaniment or accompaniment is not provided as called for in the score, the final rating of the performance shall be lowered one division. Accompaniment may not be mechanically recorded with the exception of the use of the SmartMusic accompaniment system. This computer program has been approved for use at IESA contests. However, if you plan to use SmartMusic in any events, the contest host must be notified at least two weeks in advance. The school using SmartMusic accompaniment is responsible for supplying the necessary equipment for a quality performance using the SmartMusic system. It is recommended that the Contest Host set up a separate SmartMusic room if entries warrant.

**Rationale:** The use of SmartMusic is becoming more common as school programs use this as a way to cut costs. This would allow to use the accompaniment they are used to and may also slightly reduce the piano rental cost of a host.

**Board Action:** *Approved*

**Committee Discussion:**

- Selections were made for the IESA Director Award Program:
  - Distinguished Service Award - Mike Fogarty, Mt. Zion
  - Class Act Award- Rachel Aupperle, Fisher Grade
- Host book review. Suggestions and changes made.
- Pep Band and National Anthem program review. Notification suggestions made by the Committee.
- Event review. No changes recommended.
- Music Administrator will create and distribute a survey to participating schools this year.
- Adjudication sheets and criteria were discussed. Changes will be made to the Adjudication sheets.
- Updates recommended to the Judge Instruction information.
- TourneyWire was discussed and IESA will reach out to discuss using the scheduling program.

Next Meeting Date - Thursday, June 7, 2018.