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DRAFT, MINUTES SFBAC NATS Board Meeting,
Sunday November 23, 2008, 2.30 pm, studio of Sue Field, Redwood City.

Present: Wendy Hillhouse, Meghan Dibble, Joshua Elder, Sue Field, Dorothy Barnhouse,
April McNeely, Alison Collins
Absent: Tina Baird, Grace Johnson, Victoria Rapanan

* President's Report:

Tax-Exempt Status: National NATS has applied for a change in tax exempt status which will apply to all local chapters. The significant benefits will be published on the website when the process has been completed.

Cal-Western Regional Workshop:

Paul Kiesgan of Indiana University will present a 2 day workshop in Reno, March 13-14 (Friday-Saturday), sponsored by our Cal-Western Region. We are fortunate to have this outstanding pedagogue and clinician come to our area. Watch Newsletter and Website for details.

Let's Do Lunch:

Teachers invited to get together with no program or agenda.
Sunday, January 4, in San Francisco, coordinated by Meghan Dibble.
Sunday, January date tba, mid-upper peninsula, coordinated by Sue Field

· see Newsletter for details

* Membership Secretary's Report: Dues renewal notices will be sent out soon.

Grace is continuing to update and correct the membership list and invite prospective members

* Corresponding Secretary's Report

Guidelines for what can and cannot be forwarded by the Corresponding Secretary to the members will be published on the website.

* Singing Festival VP's Report

The 2009 Singing Festival will be April 18th at San Francisco State.

* Recitals VP's Report

Recent recitals well attended and well received. More teachers involved than ever before.

* Webmaster's Report

The potential uses of our website will be expanded very soon to include benefits to all of us, including a 1 page website for each member (upon payment of dues), and a members only accessible site (which could eventually replace the printed Membership Directory)

We discussed the video of the Oren Brown seminar which will soon be digitized and offered for sale on our website.

Meghan Dibble, current webmaster, needs an assistant/apprentice as she needs to work toward handing this responsibility to someone else next year.

* Newsletter Editor's Report:

Joshua has found a less expensive way to publish the Newsletter.

* Treasurer's Report:

Chapter finances are in good shape.

* Program VP's Report

Spring Workshop:

We are investigating the possibility of having a 2 hour workshop (open only to NATS members and other voice teachers) to share teaching problems and solutions. The date will be Sunday May 17th 3-5 pm.

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We have been offered a free site in Danville (first workshop in 3 years held in the East Bay) so there would probably be no charge to attend this workshop.

Summer workshops:

Two are in planning stages.

One in the late afternoon/early evening in San Francisco in July.

One during the day on the Peninsula, 1st week in August.

DECISIONS MADE:

Re: Membership Directory

A motion was made by Sue Field, seconded by April McNeely, carried unanimously:

* that the new printed Membership Directory include Name, Codes, Telephone, Email, Town and Zip (eliminate street address)

Re: Payment of dues

A motion was made by Meghan Dibble, seconded by April McNeely, carried unanimously:

* Chapter Dues run from January 1 to December 31. They are due by January 1. If not received by February 1, it will be too late for the member to be included in the directory, and there is a late fee of \$5.