

Revised 1/24/08 Nebraska CMENC Outstanding Chapter Award

Rubric Interpretation Page

Chapter Operations/Meetings

Formal Meetings: Points are awarded based on the number of meetings per semester during the current award year and the provided documentation of each meeting, including an agenda and minutes for each meeting. This demonstrates a chapter's efficiency in doing business.

Executive Board Meetings: Points are awarded based on the number of meetings per semester during the current award year and the provided documentation of each meeting, including an agenda and minutes for each meeting. Executive Board Meetings are necessary in making executive decisions for the group for maximum efficiency. Also, these meetings are an opportunity for the leadership of the chapter to reflect upon the chapter's activities and operations.

Recruitment Activities: Points are awarded based on the number of recruitment activities a chapter holds during the current award year. Examples may include, but aren't limited to: informational meetings, visits to freshmen music classes, setting up a registration booth in the music department and/or union, designing recruitment posters, and designing recruitment pamphlets. One type of project counts as one activity, not the number of times you do a particular project. This category demonstrates a chapter's desire to maintain its membership.

Fundraising Activities: Points are awarded based on the number of fundraising activities a chapter holds during the current award year. One type of project counts as one activity, not the number of times you do a particular fundraising project. This category demonstrates a chapter's desire to maintain a strong budget to complete their yearly activities.

Social/Bonding Activities: Points may be awarded to a chapter who highlights one social activity it did during the current award year and successfully demonstrates how that activity benefited chapter unity.

Service Projects

Music in Our Schools Month (MIOSM) Chapter Project: Points are awarded to the chapter based on the completion of a MIOSM chapter project during the current award year, the number of chapter members involved, and the project's quality. Completing a MIOSM chapter project reflects the chapter's willingness to advocate music in our schools, one of the basic missions of MENC, and to serve the community.

Music/Arts Advocacy Projects: Another mission of MENC is advocating music and arts programs for students at all levels. Points are awarded to the chapter based on the completion of a Music/Arts Advocacy Project during the current award year (a chapter may be awarded points for up to three projects), the number of chapter members involved, and the project's quality.

Projects Awarding and Recognizing Individuals, Groups, or Organizations in their Service to Music Education: Projects may include (but are not limited to) awarding community leaders, school teachers, professors, college students, and coaches for their support of music and music education and/or writing thank you notes to business or organizations for their support of music and music education.

Projects Done in Cooperation with Other Organizations Supporting Music Activities: Projects may include (but are not limited to) working with other music organizations in the music department,

organizations on campus, or community organizations to host/support music activities. It is beneficial for organizations to unite in working towards one mission.

Professional Development

Projects Providing Field Experience for Members: These projects DO NOT include field experiences required in regular coursework. Members may gain field experience by participating in activities directly related to our future career as music educators. Points are awarded based on the number of projects the chapter holds during the current award year with each project lasting no less than 30 minutes each.

Guest Speakers/Forums: It is important that the CMENC chapter provide opportunities for its members to attend specially organized sessions featuring guest speakers or panels of speakers and discussing issues related to music education. Points are awarded based on the number of these sessions they hold during current award year.

Sponsored Activities for Collegiate Members Within the State for Professional Development: These activities DO NOT include hosting Spring Forum. Activities include sponsoring a statewide event for CMENC members or combining with another chapter for a joint activity during the current award year.

Attend NMEA State Conference: Points are based on the percent of the total membership attending the conference during the current award year.

Attend NMEA Spring Forum: Points are based on the percent of the total membership attending Spring Forum during the current award year.

Attend Other State Activity: During the current award year, chapters may choose to host a statewide activity for Nebraska CMENC members. A chapter may receive points based on the percent of the total membership attending that activity (must specify host chapter and title of the activity.)

Attend Regional/National Conference: Points are awarded to a chapter if members attend either a Regional or National MENC Conference. Members who attended need to tell about their experience, (sessions they went to, what they got out of the experience). In the event that there is neither a Regional or National conference in a given award year, all chapters will receive zero (0) points for this subcategory.

Overall Impression of Presentation

Creativity/Completeness: A chapter may earn points based on the quality of the presented materials for this award.

Grammar and Spelling: A chapter may earn points based on their attention to any grammatical or spelling errors in the presented materials for this award.