PCMEA Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Sunday April 19, 2026 | 8:00 PM

The mission of the Pinellas County Music Educators Association is to support and promote professional growth and to advocate for quality music education to foster highest student achievement in music.

In Attendance – C. Marr, B. Duffy, J. Heller, K. LaRose, S. McNaughton

1. Meeting Called to Order @ 8:02pm – Marr
2. Discussion re: email from B. Westcott:
    a. Nomination received but not put out for full membership voting
    b. Dismissed because thoughts of already won recently
    c. Looked up dates, has not won PCMEA since 2014, TOY 2020
    d. President decided, assumptions were made
    e. Wanted to pause the vote, voting was turned off Monday, 4/13, pending nominee's thoughts
    f. Nominee did not want that to happen
    g. President-elect will send an email to nominee

3. Discussion on term, board did not change verbiage from five (5) years to 10 years.
    a. Ask nominee what can be done to make amends?
    b. Treasurer(s) sends an email to the Performing Arts Office regarding number of years teachers in Pinellas have been teaching to see who qualifies from Service Award/TOY and ROY
4. Discussion on Bylaws and how we as a board/PCMEA go forward:
    a. Change criteria:
        i. 10 years between wins?
        ii. Winning once and no more nominations after winning?
        iii. Increase minimum number of years to be nominated for TOY from five (5) years to seven (7)? 10?
        iv. Increase minimum number of years to be nominated for ROY from three (3) to five (5)?
    b. Goal being set for TWO (2) years to set a criterion for nominations/voting/winning?
        i. Discussions started in summer of 2025
            1. FMEA model? Honoring 25 years of service?
        ii. Add Service award to Banquet for members serving 20 years in Pinellas County, and every five (5) years after.
        iii. Honor All County Coordinators at Banquet
            1. Certificate/recognition in front of peers/Centerpiece?
5. Further discussion will continue at the Summer Board Meeting to finalize criteria for TOY/ROY nominations.

6. Meeting adjourned @ 8:52pm