



Thursday, March 19, 2015

Dear NASB District and Choral Presidents,

The NASB Vorstand Meeting is scheduled for 2 P.M. Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>.  
The National Association Meeting 2015 is scheduled for 10 A.M. June 20<sup>th</sup>,  
The Leadership Workshop will be held following lunch and beginning at 1:00 P.M.

**Our hotel:**

Crowne Plaza  
33 East Fifth St.  
Dayton, OH 45402.  
Phone number 937-229-9835.  
Website [www.cpd Dayton.com](http://www.cpd Dayton.com).

Please make every effort to attend the meeting and Leadership Workshop.

**Who may attend Sängertag?**

**From the NASB Constitution and By-laws, ARTICLE VI, SECTION 4 - Representation**

- a) Districts
  - a. Each Association District, holding at least one District Song Festival between National Song Festivals, is entitled to one (1) District Delegate to the National Association Meeting. . Such representative qualifies by presenting his credentials, in writing, signed by the responsible District Officer, to The National Secretary, at least two (2) weeks prior to the National Association Meeting.
- b) Member Groups
  - a. A Member Group is entitled to one (1) Delegate for each ten (10) active singers, or portion thereof, for whom annual dues have been paid to date.
  - b. The only qualifications for such Delegates are:
    - i. They must be active singers of the Group they represent.
    - ii. They must present their credentials, in writing, signed by a responsible officer of the Group, to the National Secretary, no later than two (2) weeks prior to the National Association Meeting.
    - iii. Groups, entitled to more than one (1) Delegate, may be represented by one (1) Delegate, and all votes, to which the Group is entitled, may be cast by such single Delegate, providing such authority has been

- given in writing, signed by a responsible officer of the Group, and has been registered with the National Secretary at least two (2) weeks prior to the National Association Meeting.
- iv. Delegates, from Member Groups whose dues payments are in arrears, shall not be recognized or allowed to participate in a National Association Meeting.
- c. Musical Directors
- i. Musical Directors are entitled to one (1) Delegate.
  - ii. The only qualifications for said Delegate are:
    - 1. They must be an active Musical Director of a member Group and be elected through a vote of the Musical Directors of the Bund, solicited by the Secretary of the National Association.
    - 2. They must present their credentials, in writing, signed by a responsible officer of the National Association, to the National Secretary, no later than two (2) weeks prior to the National Association Meeting.
    - 3. The Musical Director's Delegate, from Member Groups whose dues payments are in arrears, shall not be recognized or allowed to participate in the meeting

It is important that we have a strong attendance at our Sängertag. Please consider sending the younger persons to the meeting to enhance the dynamics. We have to plan for the future. Our highest priority should be maintaining and growing the NASB. We can only do this with fresh ideas and active involvement.

You will note on the meeting agenda "committee" often listed. During my 18 months as president, I discovered the various committees have a staffing of 1. Let's try to spin up involvement of the membership by enlisting them to be on a committee.

We also have to select a city for our 2018 Sängertag and 2019 Sängerfest...Have you hosted in the past 10 or 20 years. It can be a fun project and the NASB Vorstand is here to assist.

Are there any further items you might like to have on the Sängertag? Just let me know.

Mit besten Sängergrüßen,  
Gary Luther

#### Attachments

- Agenda, NASB Vorstand Meeting
- Agenda, National Association Meeting
- Agenda, Leadership Workshop
- General Sängertag Informational Letter

# **Nord-Amerikanischer Sängerbund**

National Association Meeting  
Crown Plaza Hotel,  
Dayton, Ohio  
10:00 A. M., June 20, 2015

The Order of Business of the National Association Meeting shall be:

1. Roll Call of the Delegates.
2. Determination of a Quorum.
3. Reading of the Minutes of the last National Association Meeting.
4. Reading of the Financial Report and confirmation of the financial records by the Auditing Committee.
5. Reports of the Officers.
  - a. First Vice President-Membership Committee.
  - b. Second Vice President- Promotion and coordination of the proper functions of the Districts within the Association.
  - c. Third Vice President - Establishing and maintaining contacts with other Germanic Singing Associations, in North America
  - d. Fourth Vice President - Men's Affairs.
  - e. Fifth Vice President -Women's Affairs
6. Reports of Committees.
  - a. Music Committee
  - b. Districts Committee
  - c. Membership Committee
  - d. Kinder-Jugendchor CommitteeMusical Directors' Committee
  - e. Keeper of the Archives - Custody of all physical properties of the Association,.
  - f. Publishing - Sängszeitung
  - g. Internet – Website/Facebook
  - h. NASB Foundation – Meeting to be held following Association Meeting.
7. Report of the previous Festival President.
8. Proposals for changes in the Constitution
9. Unfinished Business.
10. New Business.
11. Selection of the next National Association Meeting City-Sängertag.
12. Selection of the next National Festival City.
13. Election of the new Board of Directors.
14. Adjournment of the National Association Meeting.

NASB Foundation Meeting to follow the Association Meeting – Tim Pecseyne, Chair

**NASB VORSTAND**  
**BOARD MEETING AGENDA**  
**Crown Plaza Hotel, Dayton Ohio**  
**2 PM, Friday, June 19<sup>TH</sup> 2015**

1. Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance
2. Minutes – Secretary Lois Lynch
3. Treasurer’s report – Paul Bockstege
4. Communications – Gary Luther
  - Visibility of officers
  - Website; Sangerzeitung; Facebook
5. Membership – Membership mailing list; membership status, committee
6. Awards. – NASB Recognition awards, Deutsche Chorverband, new awards, committee
7. Best Practices - Sangertag Communications, **Dress code for 2016**, committee
8. Education – Future of Leadership workshop, integrate what works internationally - committee
9. Heritage – Grants and archives; digitize music; set up contract with AMI, locations for records, committee
10. Transportation arrangements for Pittsburgh – how to coordinate.
11. New business: Sangerfest site for 2019
12. Old business

Foundation Meeting to follow Vorstand Meeting

NASB  
Agenda - Leadership Meeting  
Crown Plaza Hotel, Dayton, Ohio  
Saturday, June 20, 2015  
1:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

1. Welcome
2. Mechanics of the NASB Website and Facebook
3. Committee development – local, district and national.
4. Future Sangerfests
5. Youth development and NASB Management support
6. Music and records archives
7. Understanding diversity.