



Region XV
TMEA MS/JH Fall Meeting Agenda
Saturday, August 1, 2026

I. Call to order: *11:27 am called to order by Adriana Arango Tor*

II. Minutes

A. Online (www.region15choir.com)

III. Treasurer's Report

Current Balance: \$ 9695.17

TMEA Financial Report submitted (Date: 7/30/2026)

IV. Old Business

A. Reintroduce Region Officers

- a. Coordinator: Adriana Arango Torrez
- b. Co-Coordinator: Robert Garza
- c. Secretary/Treasurer: Lauren Albright

i. Vote Required: Gianna Eason nominates Lauren Albright, David Soliz seconds

ii. Erika Lopez motions to close nominations, Rob Garza seconds

iii. Lauren Albright voted as Secretary/Treasurer

B. Region Selection Meeting on July 31st: Thank you to the committee (**McAllen ISD: David Soliz & Robert Garza; Edinburg CISD: Cathy Rodriguez & Stephnie Champion Alfaro; Mission CISD: Mariana Limon; PSJA ISD: Helena Guerra; Sharyland ISD: Janelle Negrete**)

& Stephnie Champion-Alfaro and Ramon Banda (South M.S.) for hosting.

V. New Business

A. Contact Information Update: _____>

Please fill out even if there are no changes!

We'd like to verify that our directory is accurate.

Please share the link with your vertical team colleagues who are not present.

B. UIL Draw Cards

Region 15
Contact Info



C. Region Choir Auditions: Selected Repertoire
(See Handbook List)

D. 2027 All-Region Clinicians

- 8th Grade Treble - Iliana Zendejas Guerrero
 - Veterans Memorial HS in Brownsville
 - SWACDA 2026 Varsity Treble Choir
- 7th Grade Treble - Ashley Tillerson Grant
 - Leo Adams Middle School (Haslet, TX)
 - TMEA 2026 Varsity Treble Choir
- 7th & 8th Grade Boys - Alexander Carr
 - Hebron HS (Carrollton, TX)
 - SWACDA 2026 Tenor Bass Choir
 - TMEA 2023 A Cappella Mixed Choir

E. REGION AUDITIONS LOCATION/HOST:

Date: April 17, 2027

Location: Rowe HS

Host: Jason Whitney & Carlos Alfaro

\$10 registration fee / per student

\$100 Campus Fee (Attached to 8th grade treble invoice)

While this does not cover the entirety of the fee if entry numbers stay the same, it does cover most and can be revisited at the end of the year.

Other Details: Track Release Platform Website & Google Drive

F. REGION AUDITION REGISTRATION

Currently: Region registration opens at 7:45 and closes at 8:30 AM

Issue: Registration ran late due to late arrivals/allowing time for students to still register

Issue: Later starting time once registration is closed

Discussion: Earlier registration? OR Arrival Check In Deadline?

Veda Tijerina moves to utilize an arrival check in deadline of 7:30 am and registration opens at 7:45 am through 8:30 am with an unspoken understanding that TMEA does not turn away kids and there is a grace period for extenuating circumstances. Lizette Ochoa seconds. APPROVED

****window = time for registration staff not arrival time***

G. REGION CHOIR MEMBERS PER VOICE PART

Currently: 30 7th SSA, 30 8th SSA, 30 TTB

Proposed: 34 7th SSA, 34 8th SSA, 34 TTB (17 in each split panel)

Rationale: TMEA no longer allows alternates and there are typically 10-12 absences per Choir on the day of Clinic/Concert. This proposal would help solve the gap in numbers.

Lizette Ochoa motions to approve the increase in number as written, Rob Garza seconds.

APPROVED

****director note: when screening students for the audition process, please confirm their availability for the clinic & concert for which they are auditioning!***

H. REGION CLINIC & CONCERT/HOST:

Date: May 1, 2027

Location: McAllen HS

Host: Bo Shirah & Jenn Cervantes

Other Details: Please monitor behavior @ host site during breaks/lunch

I. TMEA Membership

a. \$65.00 Active Membership

b. \$70.00 Convention Fee Active Members, \$95.00 after January 22nd

J. Handbook and Appendix

The revised Handbook/Appendix is on our website (www.region15choir.com)

Please send an updated copy of the Appendix to your *District Accounting Department* so there is no question about when and where to mail checks for contests. Thank you to our revision committee: Lizette Ochoa, Janelle Negrete, Mariana Limon.

K. Important Dates/Deadlines

a. High School Auditions

(see page 1 of Appendix for dates and locations)

b. TMEA Convention – February 10-13, 2027

c. UIL Concert & Sight-Reading Contest – March 2-4, 2027 @ PSJA Southwest

PSJA Southwest is no longer available so PSJA has offered PSJA Memorial. This auditorium is much smaller and concerns were shared about having enough space for waiting groups inside the auditorium. Going to look at other options if there is somewhere else available and circle back to this.

1. Postmark Deadline – February 2, 2027*

2. \$450 per group

d. Region Choir Auditions – April 17, 2027 @ Rowe HS

1. Postmark Deadline – April 3, 2027*

Please plan to submit your district's paperwork early, as the postmark deadline falls over Easter weekend.

2. Check ALL ENTRIES before submitting on the TMEA website.

3. Region cuts – Thursday, April 15, 2027 (by 8pm)

e. Region Clinic/Concert – May 1, 2027 @ McAllen HS

VI. Other Business

Bank Account Authorized Signers: Elizabeth Resczenski, Lauren Albright and Adriana Arango Torrez will remain as authorized signers. Crystal Ortiz will need to be removed as a signer as

she now teaches high school and Rob Garza will need to be added as an authorized signer now that he is serving as Co-Coordinator.

VII. Adjourn *Motion to adjourn by Cathy Rodriguez, Stephnie Champion Alfaro seconds, approved and adjourned at 11:58 am.*