

Music Department
Minutes of Staff Meeting on September 6, 1956.

Present: Homer Keller, Eleanor Ho, Jeannette Chun, John Kelly, Marianne Fleece, Sets Nozoe.

Announcements:

1. Professional staff meeting date changed to Tuesdays. First meeting on Wednesday Sept. 12 and thereafter on alternate Tuesdays.
2. Music staff meeting on Mondays - alternate with first meeting on Sept. 17.

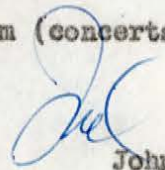
Room Reservations Teachers will use the same rooms except for the change where Miss Ho has moved into Miss Richards' room and Mrs. Chun will move into Miss Ho's original room. The long range plan of making more room space was discussed and when this occurs, the band will be centralized in one section of the building and Mrs. Fleece may be asked to move into the present photography lab which is now in the process of renovations.

String Ensemble Mrs. Fleece reported that she will probably have two groups: (1) of young students and (2) of the older and more experienced players. This class will begin as soon as the semester begins and children are organized and time schedules can be arranged.

Musicianship Classes Mr. Keller reported that he will have classes on Tuesdays (for the young students who now have had one year of theory) and Thursdays (for older students who have had more than one year of piano or theory). Mr. Kelly discussed the possibility of having a teacher conduct classes on Saturdays to accommodate the language school students. All agreed that theory and musicianship classes were necessary for all students. Mr. Keller was asked to look into the matter of planning on taking these classes to the Children's Symphony Concerts and other outings and programs that would supplement the 1 hour classes at Palama and to make the child more aware of the social benefits of music. Possibility of a well planned and outlined program could be undertaken by volunteers, such as members of the Honolulu Community Chorus who have proper backgrounds. It was brought to the attention of staff that in the past these classes have been carelessly handled and the older students have a fear and dislike for these classes and caution should be heeded on how these classes would be conducted so that children will enjoy and want to continue. Friday afternoons was left for adults and advanced students. Publicity will be sent to newspapers and schools about this class. If a person wants individual lessons he will be charged \$35 per semester. If a person wants class lessons (providing there are 5 in the class) each will be charged \$15 for an hour class per semester.

Agenda for next meeting:

Planning and mapping our year's program (concerts, recitals, New Parents' Nite, Benefit Concerts, etc.)


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