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# FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 67<sup>th</sup> year DISTRICT MEETING #2 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-02)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 14	MEETING DATE: November 13, 2002
MEETING NUMBER: 2	MEETING LOCATION: Bak Middle School of the Arts

#### Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Cleve Maloon, District 14 Chairman.

#### Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Cleve A. Maloon – Bak MSOA, Paul Destito – JMS, Chris Martindale—WLMS, Wayne Miller—DSOA, Keary Pence—Carver MS, Jan Emigh—St.Andrews, Larry Shane—JILHS, David Markgraf—JILHS, Andrew Campo—JDMS, Jennifer Constance—PPMS, Bill Faucett—WPMS, Paul Magersuppe—JDMS, Tammy Roggen—Duncan MS, Randy Sonntag—Independence MS, Willie Pyfrom—GCHS, Kermit Virgil—BLMS, Harry A. Spyker III—Congress MS, John Aiello—PCMS, Frank Bermudez—LWMS, Mike Fraley—BRMS, Dominick Eggen—Odyssey MS, Edrick Rhodes—OHHS—Jackie Terrazas--HNOJ, Peter Hamlin—Gardens HS –Jeneve Jarvis – CMS, Elijah Thomas—BBHS, Kayla Stoneman—AHS, Donna Provenzano—TKA, Sandra Carlson-Wood—WTDHS, Mary Oser—Wellington HS-Ben Skinner – LWHS—Keith Sanz—JHS—Jerri Goffe—LMS—Earnest Brown—Suncoast HS --Bill Castillo-OMS John Jarvis – Music Man -- David Gibble – PBCC

#### Guest:

Irwin Spivak

Nick Patsis update the membership on the progress of this years PBC summer band camp.

#### **Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes**

Waived

#### Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Current Balance is \$12,500. The gate from the marching MPA was \$3939.00

#### **Item 5: Communications**

Letter from Spanish River High School to host S&E presented by William Castillo David Gibble promoted a jazz concert with Ed Calle at PBCC

#### **Item 6: Unfinished Business**

Irwin Spivak spoke in support of his newest non-for-profit organization, the CJA, to help schools partner with Jazz Artists and composers to provide master classes, concerts and seminars on Traditional Jazz Music, Theory and History.

Thanks to Chris Martindale for hosting All-State auditions

Thanks to Evan Roggivan for hosting the Marching MPA

Motion for the following: Martindale/Sonntag High School concert MPA will be at Royal Palm Beach High School 2/27/2002-3/1/2002 Middle School concert MPA will be at Suncoast High School on 4/10/2002-4/12/2002 Motion Passed

# Item 7: Committee Reports

**Technology** -- Nick Patsis- Please check the FMEA web site for updates <u>www.flmusiced.org</u>. New discs are available for \$20 with updates included.

Check the district 14 web page at www.pbcandcamp.org/fba.

#### Item 8: New Business

None

# Item 9: State MPA Dates and Sites

Please check www.flmusiced.org.

# Item 10: Nominations for Adjudicators List

None

# Item 11: Suggestions to State Committees

All-State sight-reading Suggestion from Shane/Miller (endorsed by membership) Sight-reading should be more appropriate and idiomatic.

# Item 12: Proposals to the Executive Board

1) The Florida Bandmasters Association Marching Band Performance Assessment shall be optional. The individual Districts will be responsible, as before, for hosting an FBA Assessment for those bands wishing to remain with the existing format. The funding for District MPA Concert and Solo and Ensemble will have an established per entry assessment as figured in the past. (Similar to the State entry).

**Rational:** Student populations are changing with society. Marching band is no longer a viable interest to many students who then drop from the program because of its time and money requirements. Programs around the state are seeing reductions in their numbers and programs are in jeopardy of being dropped from the curriculum due, in part, to the increase in testing awareness. For many, this would allow the time and resources to build a MUSIC program that will allow for more music education. For those that are dedicated to marching there certainly are more than many opportunities to be judged and receive even more feedback than the current FBA Assessment presents. As with marching inspections, it is time for FBA to become up to date with educational issues that are relevant so that we may continue to have a band program in every school.

Miller/Patsis Passed

**2)** Request that The Executive Board ask the FSMA to cease immediately the practice of sending MPA reports to school principals until the FBA Board and membership are consulted and the process is evaluated.

Patsis/Pence Passed

# Item 13: Other

Thanks to Andrew Campo for taping all of the marching bands at the last MPA

# Item 14: For the Good of the Association

District Chairman Maloon encouraged all members to attend the FMEA/FBA Convention in Tampa.

District Chairman Maloon encouraged High School directors to reach out to the middle schools and encourage them to attend their performances and be visible to the students.

Wayne Miller urged the membership to use the PBCSD E-Mail system to promote concerts and encouraged members to attend each other's concerts.

David Gibble promoted Ed Calle's up coming performance.

Willie Pyfrom's retirement party (43 years) will be held on May 10. --More information will be fourth coming.

Item 15: Next Meeting Date January 13<sup>th</sup> 2003

Item 16: Adjournment 8:32

Name of District Secretary: Paul S. Destito

Signature: