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FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 67th year DISTRICT MEETING #4 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-02)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 01	MEETING DATE: 4-16-03
MEETING NUMBER: 04	MEETING LOCATION: Tate HS (Pensacola)

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Gray Weaver, District 1 Chairman

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Eddie Steadman, Ruckel MS; Dan Wooten, Lewis MS; Pete Krostag, Pine Forest; Christy Chavis, Ferry Pass MS; Mike Philley, Woodham HS; Tim Willis, Bailey MS; Scott LaBorde, FWBHS; Chad Hannah, Choctawhatchee HS; Nick Kozar, Pensacola Christian (PCA); bobby Lyles, PCA; Kevin Powers, PCA; David Cadle, Crestview HS; Randy Nelson, Choctawhatchee HS; Jody Dunn, Crestview HS; Tom Fitzpatrick, Niceville HS; Wayne Whitman, Richbourg MS; Kevin Connell, Tate HS; Tom Ewing, Bellview MS; Kim Odom, Bailey MS; Patricia Maness, Ranson MS; D.K. Grissett, Brownsville MS; Grover Underwood, Brownsville MS; Aeriale Johnson, Navarre HS; Lonny Finley, Pace HS; Chuck Gardner, intern Richbourg MS; Joe McClure, intern Freeport; David Norona, intern Pryor MS; Jeff Adams, Pryor MS; Paul Harris, Meigs MS; Doug Holsworth, Escambia HS; Joe Hooten, Tate HS; Randy Folsom, FWBHS; Janie Walker, Ransom MS; glenda Jones, NWF Home School; Phillip Berryhill, Escambia HS; Gray Weaver, Milton HS.

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

A motion was made (Adams/Willis) to dispense with the reading of the minutes. The motion passed.

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Mr. Weaver reported that there is \$7,212.84 in the general fund. The State Festival Assessment is \$6,200.00 leaving a balance of \$1,012.84. A motion was made (Willis/Wooten) to accept the report as read. The motion passed.

Item 5: Communications

There were no communications to report.

Item 6: Unfinished Business

- A. MARCHING MPA- The date was not set earlier due to the fact that we did not know when the fall breaks would occur. Santa Rosa will have their fall break Oct. 6-10 and Escambia will have their fall break Oct. 13-17. This means the possible dates for the Marching MPA are Oct. 4th; Oct. 25th; Nov. 1st; Nov. 8th; Nov. 15th. Nelson/Philley made a motion that we have our Marching MPA on Oct. 4th. The motion passed.
- B. SOLO AND ENSEMBLE MPA- There were 1,461 entries this year. There were 831 superiors. There were 25 full time adjudicators.
- C. JAZZ MPA- 22 bands participated and 9 bands earned superior ratings. It was mentioned that several of these bands meet outside of the school day and maybe it would be appropriate to make the judges aware of who these groups are. There was no motion made on this matter. The general consensus seemed to be that it was appropriate to do this, and that it had been done in years past.
- D. HS CONCERT MPA- 24 bands participated and 16 earned superiors.

E. MS CONCERT MPA- 25 bands participated and 16 earned superiors. Tom Ewing suggested that we try to use adults (possibly band directors) as announcers if possible. At both the HS and MS MPA's the student announcers often mispronounced titles and composers. There was no decision made on this. It was decided that we would revisit this issue at the Nov. meeting.

Item 7: Committee Reports

There were no committees to report.

Item 8: New Business

MPA sites for next year

A. MARCHING-(OCT. 4TH)- Choctawhatchee HS: Motion Wooten/Krostag PASSED B. SOLO & ENSEMBLE (FEB. 20-21)- Gulf Breeze HS: Motion Hooten/Adams PASSED

C. HS CONCERT MPA (MAR. 12-13)- FWBHS Motion Dunn/Cadle PASSED

D. MS CONCERT MPA (APR. 1-2)- West side- Bailey MS; East side- FWBHS Motion Whitman/Ewing

PASSED

E. JAZZ MPA (FEB. 27-28)- Crestview HS Motion Willis/Finley PASSED

Item 9: District Adjudicators for Next School Year

The following adjudicators were mentioned for the chairman to contact:

HS MARCHING & CONCERT MPA- Rob Roadman, Michael Walsh, Bentley Shellahamer, Jack Crew, Cindy Berry.

MS CONCERT MPA- Bill Miller, John Gorecki

Item 10: Nominations for State MPA Adjudicators

Jones/Folsom Richard Miles, Morehead (KY) State Univ. Folsom/Wooten Ray Cramer, Indiana Univ.

Item 11: Nominations for Adjudicators List

There were none.

Item 12: Suggestions to State Committees

There were none.

Item 13: Proposals to the Executive Board

Mr. Weaver read a list of proposal from other districts. Our district has three proposals to the executive board:

- 1. Jones/Nelson: Proposal to the Executive Board: To clarify in the rules whether chamber groups may be conducted or not.
 - RATIONAL: The current statements in the handbook are clear regarding the conducting of wind choirs, but are vague concerning chamber wind groups. There is a difference of interpretation among directors about what the handbook means concerning this issue.
- 2. Jones/Nelson: Proposal to the Music Committee: To review the chamber wind literature on the music list and add more selections as many are currently out of print.
 - RATIONAL: It is inherently difficult enough to find chamber music to fit a director's strongest players, but becomes almost impossible to put a group together when limited by the few pieces that are available. Chamber wind groups should be encouraged not discouraged by the music selection.
- 3. Jones/Nelson: Proposal to the Executive Board: To have a North and South State Solo and Ensemble MPA. RATIONAL: One event in the middle of the state makes travel and expense difficult for all groups in the extreme ends
 - of the state. Two sites would encourage more groups to attend.
- 3. Ewing/Fitzpatrick: Proposal to the Executive Board: To change the criteria of receiving an FBA life-membership pin from "25 consecutive years" to "25 cumulative years". RATIONAL: A person who has been a member of the organization for a total of 25 years deserves this honor regardless if these years were consecutive or cumulative.

Item 14: Other

We were reminded to read and respond to the e-mail from James Perry concerning the state budget and pending legislation. The dates of FBA Summer Convention are July 17-19, 2003 @ Altamonte Springs Hilton near Orlando.

Item 15: For the Good of the Association

Wayne Whitman recognized Tom Fitzpatrick, Director of Bands at Niceville HS who will be retiring at the end of this school year. Joe Hooten mentioned that the late John Henley would be honored at this summer's Dixie Band Camp in Ark. Where John served on the faculty for many years. Eddie Steadman also recognized Charlie Sills, Assistant Director at Niceville HS who was not in attendance, but is also retiring this year.

Item 16: Next Meeting Date

Aug. 13th, 2003 @ Ferry Pass MS in Pensacola Oct. 29th, 2003 @ Choctawhatchee HS in FWB Jan. 14th, 2004 @ Gulf Breeze HS Apr. 14th, 2004 @ Tate HS in Pensacola Meeting 2 Meeting 3

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Item 17: Adjournment

Willis/Wooten to adjourn. Passed

Name of District Secretary: Eddie Steadman

Signature: