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FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 68th year DISTRICT MEETING #1 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-03)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 10	MEETING DATE: 8/18/03
MEETING NUMBER: 1	MEETING LOCATION: Kay's B.B.Q.

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Mr. Schwindt called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

Jim LeBon was introduced and he spoke about his new music publishing company for grade 1-3 solo's and ensembles. He distributed CD's from the Emperor Music Press Inc.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Mike Leclerc Retired

Da-Laine Chapman Brevard County Schools
Jim LeBon Emperor Music Press

John McGallagher District 13

Carol Allen Sabal Elementary
Carl Fels Private Oboe Teacher

Jim Bishop Brevard Community College

Ian Schwindt Titusville High School Jennifer Zahn Titusville High School Central Middle School Mark Sanders Patty Lowe Space Coast Jr./Sr. Robin A. Ryan **Bayside High School** Melbourne High School Scott Smith David Fleenor Hoover Middle School Mark Nelson Satellite High School

Bill Henley Osceola County School of the Arts

Kissimmee Middle School Brian Sullivan Doug Harris Palm Bay High School Space Coast High School Ed Anderson Clearlake Middle School Jean Diaz Jimmy Higgenbotham Rockledge High School Steve Schleicher De Laura Middle School Matt McAllister (sub) Cocoa Beach High School Dietrich Vasquez Horizon Middle School John R. Stewart St. Cloud High School

Dave Schreier Osceola High School Jim Cochran Celebration K-8

Jarrod Koskoski Palm Bay High School
Robert Clark Eau Gallie High School
Thomas Singletary Eau Gallie High School
Jennifer Peters Southwest Middle School

Michelle Couch
Jennifer Rock
Frank Diaz
Michael B. Waller
Marcos Rodriguez

Covenant Christian
Stone Middle School
Satellite High School
West Shore Jr./Sr.
Cocoa High School

Michael Rowsey Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Dispense with the reading of the previous minutes: Smith/Waller Passed.

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Current district balance is \$11,267.68.

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

The FBA donated \$5,000 to help hire a lobbyist for FSMA to help represent music programs in the public school system.

Everyone is urged to fill out the survey and e-mail them back to James Perry as soon as possible. We need to have a fine arts teacher who would be willing to be dedicated to mass e-mail to music teachers in our district for any legislative issues.

Can anyone who has a parent who is a state legislator please let Ian Schwindt know a.s.a.p. so we can get more information to them? Use your creativity to get your local legislators involved in your music programs.

Impact of 18 credit hours graduation program – this is a new program in the state where students can graduate in a period of three years instead of four. Please let lan or James Perry know how it is impacting your programs.

Parent FSMA Organization = Maestro – This is a parent organization to build of cadre of music boosters who are willing to assist in music advocacy efforts. They will be able to provide direct support in music program issues. This is brand new this year and could really help our programs if we can get enough parents involved. The program is still being developed and more information will follow.

Item 6: Communications/Distribution of Packets

FMEA Awards – an e-mail from Sheila King was read. Please nominate people who deserve special recognition of efforts and accomplishments of active teachers, school administrators and others who have made outstanding contributions to music education. Please see the FSMA web site for the forms. The Forms are due by Wednesday, September 10, 2003.

Item 7: Unfinished Business

The issue of whether or not we should be counting Auxiliaries in the overall rating of Marching Band MPA. Short discussion ensued.

Please be extremely careful when using the American Flag during your show presentations. It is great to be patriotic but please check with the local VFW or manual about flag usage.

Item 8: Committee Reports

None.

Item 9: New Business

Clarification regaurding directing of ensembles at S&E.

p.22 section 4.1. "Directors may use a conductor for any percussion ensemble consisting of a quartet or larger; wind instrument choirs and chamber winds groups."

Please go to the FBA web site to down load all FBA forms for all-state applications, Honor Band forms, district meetings, all-state participants contract, classification form, medal order form, etc. If the forms do not work on your computer check with your school computer rep. or download up-date.

Join MENC/FMEA/FBA by September 15 in order to be able to participate in all of the FBA events.

All dates for our district have been sent out via e-mail from Ian Schwindt.

Use a separate form for each auditioned all-state bands.

Marching Band Forms are due by September 26, 2003.

Classification Forms are due by October 15, 2003.

Solo and Ensemble Forms due by January 26, 2004.

The new Festival Program is required and they will be sent to you. It is a cost of \$20.00 and will be included in the assessment

ALL STATE AUDITIONS

All-State Audition forms are due August 29^{th.} They should be post marked to lan at Titusville High School by August 27th. Each student on the audition form must have a signed Participant Contracts. These forms are to be sent with the forms and should be sent in alphabetical order by band. The auditions will be at Eau Gallie High School on September 13th. Registration is between 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. **The students must be registered by 10:00 a.m. or they will not be allowed to audition.** The student will receive a card and tape label and they must bring them to the room and present to the monitor. All directors must be present in order for your students to audition. Scripts will be provided. An experienced director will be paired with a new person to our district. The entry fee is \$10.00 per student entry. There are no longer Alto Clarinet auditions. The jazz drums will have no prepared piece, but will be asked to play various styles.

Item 10: District MPA Dates and Sites

Marching Band MPA is at Palm Bay High School on October 25th starting at 3:30 p.m. Southwest Middle School will be presenting the Star Spangled Banner.

Students are not to be participating in any MPA if they have below a 2.0 grade average. You can use a performance contract form from the FSMA website for students below that average. Please visit the concession stands at Palm Bay High to support them.

S&E will be held at Satellite High School on February 13-14. Please visit the concession stands. Nelson/Waller Motion: Jazz Band to be held on Thursday and Friday. Passed.

Concert MPA will be held on March 17th at Osceola Schools for the Arts for all schools in Osceola County. Brevard Bands will be performing at Satellite High School on March 18-20th.

State S&E MPA will be held at two locations April 5-7 2004 South Site will be at J.P. Tarvella High School. North site will be announced later.

State Concert MPA will be held on April 26-May 1st - South Location will be at Indian River Community College, Ft. Pierce. North Site will be announced later.

Item 11: District MPA Adjudicators

Marching MPA:

Steve Kelly Tim Douglas Ken Norton David Coash

Jazz MPA:

Andy Kidd Don Zentz Wayne Miller

Concert MPA:

Terri Patishall Chuck Fulton George Walters Andre' Arrouet – Sight-reading

Item 12: Nominations for Adjudicators List

The following will people will be able to start the process for becoming an FBA adjudicator:

Bobby Blum for Marching and S&E percussion. This will be contingent on him joining the FBA organization. Passed.

Kevin Griner for Auxiliary . This would be contingent on him becoming a member of the FBA. Passed.

Howard Hart – Brass S&E. Passed.

Item 13: Suggestions to State Committees

None.

Item 14: Proposals to the Executive Board

None.

Item 15: Other

Thomas Singletary discussed the down side of playing the all-state exercises on the Xylophone which is as not as musical as the marimba. More discussion will

Item 16: For the Good of the Association

Carl Fels announced a concert coming up by Carlbe forthcoming at a future meeting.

Fels and Myers Mason on September 20th at 8:00 p.m. Rockledge Presbyterian Church.

November 13th Satellite High School will host A+ Music for S&E Music from 3:00-6:00 p.m. November 18th Satellite High School will host Florida Music Service from 3:00-6:00 p.m.

ADVOCACY

Jim Bishop discussed the full spectrum of Why We Teach Music in our class rooms. Please see attachment. Jennifer Peters has posters available if anyone would like one. NAM advocacy video is available please see Steve Schleicher.

Ed Anderson announced that on October 27-28 Caribbean Sound will be doing residencies in the schools. Contact Karen Wilson at the King Center for details.

Cheryl Beck is available for flute lessons in Rockledge or she could come to your school. For more information please see Patty Lowe or contact Cheryl at 639-9804.

Jazz on the Space Coast Jazz Festival will be held on March 6th Please see Doug Harris for more information.

The State Assessment portion of our district assessment went from \$.90 down to \$.80.

PE Waivers are urged to be used if necessary for enrollments in your programs.

Band Night -

6:00-6:45 p.m. Rehearsal in your band room.

7:00-8:00 p.m. Students leave and directors will discuss a positive and constructive comment which will help the director and band. We will have dinner and then go home by 8:00 p.m.

Item 17: Next Meeting Date

Chapman/Stewart: Monday, November 3rd at Fat Boy's in Osceola County. Passed.

Item 18: Adjournment

Anderson/All: Passed

Respectfully Submitted, **Jim Matthews**