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# FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION - 68<sup>th</sup> year DISTRICT MEETING #2 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-03)

DISTRICT NUMBER:	12	MEETING DATE:	Monday, 6 October, 2003
<b>MEETING NUMBER:</b>	2	<b>MEETING LOCATION:</b>	Sleepy Hill Middle School

## Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

The meeting was called to order by Chairman D. Fultz at 6:32pm. He promptly recognized and thanked the Director and parents of Sleepy Hill Middle School for their hospitality in hosting the meeting and feeding its members.

#### Item 2: Members and Guests Present

**Members:** C.Celone, D.Locurcio, C.Harris, K.Kesler, J.Buss, F.Nicsinger, L.Alvarez, K.Crawford, S.Barat, B.Fultz, C.Buetel, J.Parker, J.Cayer, J.Eckman, D.West, K.Levine, A.Malott, K.Atkinson, J.Hardin, F.McDonald, M.Gussell, C.Fulton, M.Lussier, M.Kaminskas, R.Lundahl, H.Lundahl, B.Wharton, R.Combs, P.Wharton, M.Booher, D.Fultz, K.Johnson

Guests: Cassandra Moore, Intern – Jewitt Arts School

#### Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes (K.Levine/D.Locurcio) PASSED

## Item 4: Treasurer's Report

The chair reported that the District currently has a balance of \$4,886.28. This is after paying All-State recording expenses and money due to state organizations.

## **Item 5: Communications**

**Lecanto HS** has requested to perform at our District 12 Marching Music Performance Assessment. The chair made an executive decision to allow them based on the idea that it will cost us no more to have them join us.

#### Item 6: Music Advocacy Issues

D.Fultz reports that very few of the FSMA surveys distributed at the August meeting have been received in the Tallahassee office. The information being collected through these instruments is vital to allowing them to help us. The survey may be accessed online at please take the time to complete and mail.

Many questions regarding the advocacy plan of having knowledgeable citizens speak for our cause have gone unanswered or have not been correctly directed. We will contact James Perry for more specifics.

S. Barat reports that the FSMA and FBA are collectively spending \$27,000 for lobbying purposes this year, and are doing so with people that are experienced in lobbying for big issue people (health, insurance, etc.) The intent is to do a better job of getting out in front of legislative problems than we have in the past. Additionally, he stated that we are not the only group that is not happy with the 18 credit graduation arrangement and many of these other groups may work for it's demise with us.

## **Item 7: Unfinished Business**

**All –State Auditions** - R.Lundahl offered the district's thanks to the parents, students and directors of Lake Gibson High School for hosting the event. All comments presented were very positive as to the smoothness of the event.

High School Results
117 Fees Collected
106 Actually Auditioned
Middle School Results
97 Fees Collected
90 Actually Auditioned

This represents an increase in both the total number of entries and the # of students that saw the process through!

#### **Classification Forms**

- are due to chairman D. Fultz by Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, there is a significant fine for submitting this form late

## **Marching Assessment**

-Judges

Lee Ponder, Music Kathy Thompson, Music Bill Reinecke, General Effect Neil Jenkins, Marching and Manuevering Chris Bonner, Auxiliary

- Publicity J. Parker
  - Was thanked by the chair for his efforts
  - Mentioned writing of thank you letter and distributed information and addresses to that effect
  - Encouraged the active promotion of our event to increase gate receipts
    - Announcement at games and other functions
    - Post in different community bulletin boards
    - Newspaper and radio outlets have already been taken care of
- Schedule for performances was released, some minor adjustments to be made in Warm-up times (attached)
- Warm-up
- Please play in direction away from the performance stadium during warmup to minimize bleed over of sound
- Drumlines will warm-up in the Denison Band Room
- Band Seating as always 1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> served
- National Anthem will be performed by the Kathleen HS Band

- Parking
- there have been difficulties and confrontations over people that are trying to park in the lot just behind the stadium, this area is for buses and equipment vehicles
- Directors are asked to put the word out to their people that all others must park in the designated patrons area
- Drum Majors/Field Commanders/Principals in end zone for retreat and ratings presentation after the last performance
  - Discussion presented concerning how many officers should show for retreat. Opinions were shared that in the past we've stated Drum Majors and more came down, some with one others with many
  - Motion to limit field commanders for retreat to those students that salute at the outset of the band's show (F.McDonald/C,Harris) PASSED
  - The chair stated that he will not play the role of "CO Police" and individual directors are expected to honor this decision by the membership
- Chaperone/Field Worker/Middle School Passes
  - Were distributed by R.Combs during the meeting
  - Anyone needing these should contact D.Fultz at this time to arrange this!
  - Like the parking, this has been an issue in the past. People attemting to circumvent the passes or in some cases, manufacturing their own. This practice affects our gate and thus our assessment
  - Again, Directors are expected to manage this for their organization themselves.
- Other
- S.Barat mentioned that his boosters would like to produce and sell T-Shirts listing the performing groups, they would split the profits with the District
- Motion to have W. Haven HS Band produce and sell T-Shirts at the assessment and share profits with the district (S.Barat/D.West) PASSED

## **Item 8: Committee Reports**

Piano Committee – D. West No Report
Benevolence Committee - R. Raabe Not in attendance

#### Item 9: New Business

#### **Solo and Ensemble Assessment**

- February 13 and 14
- George Jenkins HS
- Currently, Auxiliary events will be held on Sat. 2/14. If a suitable gym is found in the area for Friday use, we will have auxiliary events on Friday. Several directors are exploring options
- S&E information meeting will be held on January 15, 2004 at Lakeland Christian School
  - Festival registration disks are due
  - Hard Copy of registration is due
  - Assessment check is due
- C. Harris brought up the point to rectify all conflicts before completing festival entry disk as the task is nearly impossible once the schedule is made and the assessment event begins
- Concerns were introduced concerning the assigning of accompanists.
  - Conflicts won't occur if all schools spell accompanists names the same way

- Ask your accompanist if they are playing for other schools
- Talk with that school for consensus on how names are entered
- D. Fultz will work to double check within the master schedule

#### **Concert Assessments**

High School March 5 and 6, 2004 L. Region HS Middle School March 11,12, and 13, 2004 Winter Haven HS

## Item 10: State MPA Dates and Sites

S&E

South JP Taravella (Coral Springs) April 5-7, 2004

North Westport High School (Ocala) March 29, 30, 31, 2004

Concert

North Florida State Univ., Tallahassee April 27-May 1, 2004 South Indian River Comm. College, Ft. Pierce April 26-May 1, 2004

## **Item 11: Nominations for Adjudicators List**

None

## **Item 12: Suggestions to Clinics Committees**

None

## Item 13: Proposals to the Executive Board

None

## Item 14: Good of the Association

D.West

On November 15, the Commodore Jazz Band will be performing at the Lakeland Center

### F.McDonald

Oct. 12, Lake Eola in Orlando, the United States Marine Band from Parris Island will be performing at 7pm

#### R. Lundahl

Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> 7pm FBA Roll of Distinction Concert at Stetson Univ.

Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 4pm FBA Hall of Fame Concert at Stetson Univ. (Frank Howes will be

inducted)

## B. Wharton needs:

The Klaxon

Chant and Jubilee

Phantom of the Opera

For the MS All-State Band

## **Item 15: Next Meeting Date**

January 15, 2004 Lakeland Christian School

Item 16: Adjournment

Motion to adjourn received at 7:38pm (K.Levine/C.Harris) PASSED

Name of District Secretary: Kevin Crawford

Signature: