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

<b>DISTRICT NUMBER: 14</b>	MEETING DATE: August 7, 2003
<b>MEETING NUMBER: 1</b>	MEETING LOCATION: BAK Middle School of the Arts

## Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Called to order (in the dark) at 6:40 p.m. by Paul Destito, FBA Chairman District 14.

#### Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Guests: Josh Strikowski-Great American Opportunities, Aaron Johnson-French horn instructor, Gordon Crooks-woodwind instructor, Mark Freese-instrument repair, John Jarvis-Music Man, Larry Shaffer-American Music, Ken Phillips-Professor of Music Education at Palm Beach Atlantic, John O'Hare-student teacher from Palm Beach Atlantic, and Tom Pearson-K-12 Fine Arts Program Planner

Members: W. Miller, D. Markgraf, M. Fraley, K. Pence, N. Patsis, H. Spyker, J. Jarvis, G. Reed, R. Sonntag, A. Campo, P. Magersuppe, P. Cox, P. Destito, B. Skinner, M. Gautney, C. Maloon, S. Shearon, B. Castillo, L. Basso, J. Aiello, J. Constance, J. Bell, A. Friedman, J. Emigh, E. Dunn, T. Roggen, C. Martindale, S. Carlson-Wood, A. Aldoretta

Tom Pearson spoke about needing high school directors to get the four components of clinical education to supervise student teachers. He passed out packets containing forms for repairs and replacement instruments. As soon as the budget is approved, he will email the money that has been appropriated for each school. Turn in all repair bills ASAP—do not wait till the end of the school year. Prioritize replacement instruments and put one instrument on each purchase order and include a copy of the bid page. High school students can sign up for virtual school subjects so they can take band. Contact Beth Smalling if interested in school board performances. Every consultant has to get fingerprinted at school board office for \$85.

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

**MOTION**: Patsis/Maloon to waive the reading of the previous minutes. **PASSED** 

# Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Checking Account to be opened as soon as FMEA releases funds.

## **Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues**

Complete FMEA survey and return to Paul immediately. Paul emphasized that we need to have a voice at the district and state level. We need to do the following things: promote voting among our band parents, promote music with principals and parents, check our website for advocacy information, and read advocacy information in FBA packets. Mike Fraley has volunteered to be our District liaison with FMEA and band parents. Please tell your band parents that there is now a ten dollar associate fee for them to join MAESTRO/FMEA. Please encourage them to become active.

Tom Pearson also spoke about music advocacy.

## Item 6: Communications/Distribution of Packets

Please check packets for advocacy information. ALL FBA forms are on the website this year. District website address: pbbandcamps.org/fba. State website address: flmusiced.org/fba.

#### Item 7: Unfinished Business

MOTION: Miller/Maloon to change the District 14 Jazz Band dates to-Auditions on Wed. Nov. 5 at Dreyfoos School of the Arts
Middle School rehearsal on Wed. Nov. 12 at Jeff Davis Middle from 9-4 p.m.
High School rehearsal on Wed. Nov. 12 at Dreyfoos School of the Arts from 9-4 p.m.
Middle/High School rehearsal on Thurs. Nov. 13 at Dreyfoos School of the Arts from 4-6 p.m.
Concert on Thurs. Nov. 13 at Dreyfoos School of the Arts at 7 p.m. PASSED
\*\*Band directors must be at auditions/rehearsals/concert if your students are involved.

**MOTION**: Patsis/Martindale for Cleve Maloon and Wayne Miller to choose Jazz Band clinicians with a total honorarium of \$2500 plus expenses. **PASSED** 

Two high school jazz band managers—Wayne Miller and Evan Rogovin Middle school jazz band manager—Randy Sonntag

District 14 high school and middle school honor bands:
High school honor band clinician—Gary Green, University of Miami
High school manager—Mary Oser
Middle school honor band clinician—Bill Castillo
Middle school manager—Randy Sonntag
Auditions—Sarah Shearon
Kravis liaison—Wayne Miller (Sept. 4 at 4:30 p.m. first Kravis meeting)

# **Item 8: Committee Reports**

None

#### **Item 9: New Business**

All-State application forms are due on Aug.22 to the Chairman. Include all-state form, assessment form, performance contract for each student, school check, and disk. Assessment fee is \$10. Bill Castillo will gather the tape decks for All-State auditions.

Jazz/middle school all-state auditions are Sept. 9 at Wellington Landings MS High school all-state auditions are Sept. 10 at Wellington Landings MS \*\*Directors must be present at auditions if you have students auditioning.

Marching band festival jobs: Announcer—Randy Sonntag Timer—Nick Patsis Counter—Wayne Miller

#### Item 10: District MPA Dates and Sites

Marching MPA—Oct. 25 at Santaluces HS Solo and Ensemble MPA—Feb. 5-7 at Lake Worth HS High School Band MPA—March 11-13 at Boynton Beach HS Middle School MPA—April 1-3 at Royal Palm Beach HS

## **Item 11: District MPA Adjudicators**

Adjudicators will be selected at the discretion of the Chairman.

## **Item 12: Nominations for Adjudicators List**

None

## **Item 13: Suggestions to State Committees**

None

## Item 14: Proposals to the Executive Board

None

### Item 15: Other

Middle school band directors—please email Tom Pearson if you have any suggestions regarding beginning band fittings. A policy is being developed for fittings and parent night and we need to offer our suggestions.

## Item 16: For the Good of the Association

Sarah Shearon is teaching an Introduction to Technology class one night a week at FAU. If any band director is interested in doing a professional development day on technology in the spring, please contact Sarah.

Sandra Carlson-Wood advised directors, especially the ones that are going into their fourth year of teaching in Palm Beach County, to contact their CTA rep regarding the no step raises.

The 17<sup>th</sup> annual Lancer Invitational Marching Band Competition will be on Sat. Oct. 18, and it is now a FMBC sanctioned event. There will be approximately twenty bands and the show will start around 5 p.m.

Bill Faucett has volunteered to promote our district marching band festival. He has gotten the following sponsors--Chafin Music, American Music, Music Man, Kravis Center, and the Palm Beach Post newspaper. There will be media press releases and a brochure promoting the band programs in Palm Beach County. He also wants to encourage middle school attendance at marching festival by offering prizes and giveaways. Please email Bill with the names/addresses of small town newspapers so they can be included in the press releases

The new festival disks will be available in September for \$20.

Please call Dave Gibble at Palm Beach Community College if you are interested in playing in the PBCC band on Monday nights.

The chairman thanked American Music Inc. for the donation of \$1000.00 to help promote the district Marching MPA

# **Item 17: Next Meeting Date**

Wed. Nov. 12 at 7 p.m. at **Jupiter Middle School**.

# Item 18: Adjournment

MOTION: Patsis/Miller to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. (in the dark)

# Name of District Secretary:

Tammy Roggen

# Signature: