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FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 68th year DISTRICT MEETING #4 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-03)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 16	MEETING DATE: Tuesday, April 20 2004
MEETING NUMBER: 4	MEETING LOCATION: Miami Norland High School

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Chairman Steve Rivero called the meeting to order at 7:19 PM in the band room of Miami Norland Sr. High. He remarked about the excellent turnout for our fourth meeting.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Darryl Baker	J. F. K. Middle	Cathi Leibinger	Ransom Everglades Middle
Wilfred Barry	Edison Sr.	Alina Matusow	Shenandoah Middle
Nate Bisco	Paul Bell Middle	Peter Muller	Miami Springs Sr.
Timothy Blaha	Highland Oaks Middle	Melton Mustafa	North Miami Beach Sr.
Esther Carballosa	Dade Christian School	Christine Napoles	Mays Middle
Pablo Castaneda	South Miami Middle	Rafael Napoles	Felix Varela Sr.
Bringle Cidel	Miami Beach Sr.	Tyrone O'Neal	Miami Sunset Sr.
Christopher Dorsey	Miami Northwestern Sr.	John Pace	Miami Norland Sr
Claude Graham	Mays Middle	Steve Rivero	Hialeah
H. Wayne Hoffmann	Turner Technical Sr. High	Erich Rivero	Miami Killian Sr.
Bobby Jackson Jr.	Lake Stevens Middle	Paul Smith	Miami Palmetto Sr.
Lee Johanson	Riviera Prep.	Anthony Simons	Miami Norland Sr. High
Erron Johnsons	Booker T. Washington Sr.	Bernard Thomas	Jan Mann Opportunity
Robert Keating	Gulliver Academy	Eugene Timmons	Homestead Middle
David T. Ladd	Jose Marti Middle	George Walters	Robert Morgan Education Center
Susana Lalama	Barbara Goleman Sr.	Brian Wuttke	Miami Killian Sr.

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Motion Leibinger/O'Neil to dispense with the reading of the minutes. **UNANIMOUS.**

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Cathi Leibinger, District Treasurer, presented a written, detailed report on the district's expenses, projected budget, and amount of money that we will return to FSMA. Additionally, she reported that our current balance is \$9, 574.75. We will keep \$500.00 to keep our account open and return the rest to FSMA which will be returned to us for start-up funds for the 2004-2005 school year.

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

Cathi Leibinger explained Maestro to the members and urged everyone to become involved. Peter Mueller discussed the P.E. requirement bill, and discussed how FCAT levels are impacting the availability of electives to students as Principals are taking electives from students and mandating school-based required FCAT classes. Much discussion ensued..

Item 6: Communications

A letter was read from Adjudicator Shelby Chipman complimenting the district on how smoothly the MPA's proceeded.

The chair spoke with the music office and informed M-DCPS members that there will NOT be an assessment reimbursement next year.

Item 7: Unfinished Business

Mr. Rivero noted that he had a list of schools who still need plaques and asked members to let him know at the conclusion of the meeting if any other school needs plaques or medals.

Mr. Wuttke reminded the Chair that he has a proposal tabled to committee to investigate the possibility of getting items identified on the music list as 'Significant Literature' placed on the State-adopted book list thusly allowing book funds to be used to purchase these items. Mr. Wuttke asked that Mr. Rivero follow-up on this item at the State Board meeting.

Item 8: Committee Reports

None

Item 9: New Business

An explanation of splitting the District Chairman position for the 2004-2005 school year was given by the chair. After much discussion, motion O'Neil/Graham to try splitting the Chairmanship and Secretary positions for one year. **PASSED.**

Nominations were taken from the floor, and the following people were elected by secret ballot:

Daryl Clark	High School Chair
Daryl Baker	High School Secretary
Anthony Simons	Middle School Chair
Fedrick Ingrahm	Middle School Secretary

Item 10: District Adjudicators for Next School Year

Mr. Walters stated that we have many Solo & Ensemble judges signed for next year and will turn this list over to the new chairman.

Item 11: Nominations for State MPA Adjudicators

The following were nominated for various State MPA adjudicators:

John Georgini, Miami-Dade College	David Waybright	University of Florida
Bridgett Washington	Whit Sidner	U of M
Shelby Chipman	FAMU	Shaylor James
Roby George	FIU	Donoran Wells
Diron Holloway		

Item 12: Nominations for Adjudicators List

The following were nominated for all captions for which they are eligible:

Anthony Simons-Concert, S&E (ww&b)

Cathi Blaha-S&E (ww)

Melton Mustafa S&E (jazz)

Brangle Cidel – all captions

Peter Muller-s&e (ww & b)

Amy Hernandez- aux

Item 13: Suggestions to State Committees

None

Item 14: Proposals to the Executive Board

Suggestion by Erich Rivero that the State Board adopt a plaque for Jazz bands that receive a 'split' superior rating as is done for concert bands. Motion Rivero/Wuttke to recommend this to the board.

UNANIMOUS.

Item 15: Other

None

Item 16: For the Good of the Association

The chair noted a considerable lack of participation for the Superintendent's Honors Music Festival and urged M-DCPS members to support this activity.

Congratulations to Jennifer O'Neil and Palmetto Middle for their invitation to the Midwest Clinic!

Erich Rivero thanked members who helped with the Jazz portion of S& E MPA's.

The Chair thanked the Blaha's for their continued work and support with S&E MPA Entries.

Item 17: Next Meeting Date

TBA

Item 18: Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Name of District Secretary:

Respectfully Submitted,

George W. Walters

George Walters, Secretary District 16
Florida Bandmasters Association