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

DISTRICT NUMBER: 01	MEETING DATE: Wed. Aug. 13 th , 2003
MEETING NUMBER: 1	MEETING LOCATION: Ferry Pass Middle School, Pensacola

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

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

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Neal McLeod, Gulf Breeze HS; Susan Smithey, Gulf Breeze MS; Eddie Steadman, Ruckel MS; Glenda Jones, West Florida Home Education; James Perry, FMEA/FSMA; Bobby Lyles, Pensacola Christian Academy; Chris Martin, Pensacola Christian Academy; Nick Kozar, Pensacola Christian Academy; Nathan Witter, West Florida Home Education; Christy Chavis, Ferry Pass MS; John Dunlap, Pace HS; Lonny Finley, Pace HS; Joe Hooten, Tate HS; Travis Coakley, Tate HS; Mike Philley, Woodham HS; Lawrence Young, Jr., Washington HS; Jody Dunn, Crestview HS; David Mayfield, Niceville HS; John Wilk, retired; Daniel Akins, Davidson HS; Chad Hannah, Choctawhatchee HS; Janie Walker, Ransom MS; Patricia Maness, Ransom MS; Randy Folsom, Ft. Walton Beach HS; Jeff Adams, Pryor MS; Ryan Whalen, Pryor MS; Paul Harris, Meigs MS; Scott LaBorde, Ft. Walton Beach HS; Randy Nelson, Choctawhatchee HS; Roger Villines, Brownsville MS; Tom Ewing, Bellview MS; Stacy Rhode, Woodlawn Beach MS; Connie Pettis, Jay Jr./Sr. HS; Pete Krostag, Pine Forest HS; Wayne Whitman, Richbourg MS; Jim Dodd, Bruner MS; David Riggs, Avalon MS; William Shaner, Sims MS; Jordan Wood, Escambia HS; Doug Holsworth, Escambia HS; Hank Phillips, Navarre HS; Tim Willis, Bailey MS; Alicia Trevino, Holley-Navarre MS; Kim Odom, Bailey MS; Gray Weaver, Milton HS; Lawrence E. Young, Sr. Wedgewood MS

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Motion: Hooten/Finley: Dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. Passed.

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Mr. Weaver reported that there is \$500 in the account to begin the year. There will be \$1,233.14 to be returned by the FSMA. There was a motion by McLeod/Mayfield to accept the report as read. The motion passed.

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

James Perry, the Executive Director of the FSMA/FMEA spoke regarding several advocacy issues. He asked us to fill out and return the Fine Arts Staffing Survey. He introduced and discussed M.A.E.S.T.R.O. He explained that this is a music advocacy membership for music parents, booster, and community supporters. He mentioned that FBA would make a \$5,000.00 contribution to the FSMA lobbying efforts.

Item 6: Communications/Distribution of Packets

Mr. Weaver went over each of the forms in our packets. He asked each of us to fill out the membership update forms and return them at the end of the meeting.

Item 7: Unfinished Business

None

Item 8: Committee Reports

None

Item 9: New Business

Mr. Weaver reminded everyone to renew their membership. Everyone is encouraged to do so online @ flmusiced.org. Send forms to FMEA, not MENC. FSMA school dues are due by Sept. 15, 2003. Classification forms are due by Oct. 15, 2003. The form must contain the signature of the director and principal. High schools must report grades 9-12 and middle schools report 7-8 only. Also remember, there is a fine for being late.

There was much discussion concerning All-State auditions. Randy Nelson informed the group that they have a football game in Tuscaloosa, AL the night before All-State auditions and therefore would not be able to host the audition on Sept. 20th. After some discussion, it was determined that most members seemed to want to keep the same date and look for another host school. There was a motion Whitman/Hooten to keep the audition on Sept. 20th. There were several schools interested. Mr. Weaver said that he would let the membership know the site for the audition as soon as possible. The deadline for the submitting applications (with contract) is Aug. 22. Don't forget...there is a fine if you are late. The fee is \$10.00 per entry. Directors must be present for their students to audition. Middle school students will audition in the morning and high school students will audition in the afternoon. Mr. Weaver encouraged the directors to screen all students carefully. We will also need to use recording equipment from as many schools as possible.

There was a mock audition for the benefit of those who have never auditioned before as well as to remind the "old timers".

Mr. Weaver mentioned that the 7th & 8th grade Honor Band and the small school honors band forms must be sent to the respective chairmen by Sept. 25th. There is a \$15.00 fee per school. All-State contracts must be sent with the applications. The District One Marching Band MPA is Saturday, October 4th @ Choctawhatchee HS. All entry forms are due to the district chairman by Sept. 15th. You must have your school classification form on file to participate. Scheduling will be by size of band. Filming will be made available by the Choctawhatchee band parents. There was a motion Philley/Krostag to keep ticket prices the same as last year. \$7.00-premium; \$6.00-general; \$2.00-group (band director must contact the host in advance); Free-under 6 & over 65. The adjudicators secured at this point are Steve Sims – Music; Richard Davenport – Marching; Chuck Perego – General Effect.

Mr. Weaver gave an update on the District One proposal to the Executive Board to "clarify in the rules whether chamber groups may be conducted or not". It passed. He also mentioned that the final rating of a band will be lowered one rating for violations of the US Flag Code. The district assessment to the FBA will be lowered to \$.80 (down 10 cents from last year). He also told us that an updated version of the Festival Program has been ordered and will be delivered in Sept. \$20.00 will be added to your assessments in Jan. Everyone must use the new program since the old program is obsolete. Remember, you can find all forms on the FBA Website – www.flmusiced.com

Item 10: District MPA Dates and Sites

Marching MPA -	Oct. 4 th , 2003	Choctawhatchee HS
Solo & Ens. MPA -	Feb. 20-21, 2004	Gulf Breeze HS
Jazz MPA -	Feb. 27-28, 2004	Crestview HS

HS Concert MPA -Mar. 12-13, 2004 Ft. Walton Beach HS MS Concert MPA -April 1-2, 2004 Bailey MS/FWBHS

Item 11: District MPA Adjudicators

Item 12: Nominations for Adjudicators List

Finley/Jones	Brady Massey, Pocahontas (Ark.) HS	Concert
Willis/Hooten	Craig Hamilton, Ouachita (Ark.) Baptist Univ.	Concert
Smithey/Riggs	Chris Cooper, Homewood MS	Concert

Item 13: Suggestions to State Committees

Jim Dodd suggested that Wayne Whitman present the clinic on "Recruitment of Middle School Students" and "What Judges Look that for with a Middle School Band" that he presented at Troy State Univ. S.E.U.S. Clinic in February.

Item 14: Proposals to the Executive Board

Item 15: Other

There was a moment of silence in memory of Charlie Sills, longtime band director at Niceville and Choctaw who passed away this summer.

Item 16: For the Good of the Association

Sept. 27th Day of Percussion at Escambia High School

Oct. 18th West Florida Classic Marching Festival at Crestview HS

Choctaw will sponsor a "High Quality" Marching Festival if there is interest Oct. 25th

Nov. 1st Tate High School "Showcase of Champions" Marching Competition

Item 17: Next Meeting DateWed. Oct. 29th at Choctawhatchee HS (Ft. Walton)

Item 18: Adjournment

A motion to adjourn Kozar/Shaner Passed.

Name of District Secretary: Eddie Steadman

Signature: