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

DISTRICT NUMBER: IV	MEETING DATE: 8/25/03
MEETING NUMBER: 1	MEETING LOCATION: Kanapaha Middle School

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

The meeting was called to order by Gerry Poe, District Chairman, at 6:31. New members to the district were introduced and welcomed. Thank to the Kanapaha Band Boosters for providing refreshments.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Bert Creswell, Fleming Island High School, Kristy Smith, Middleburg HS, Joe Adkins, Columbia HS, Jim Layton, Lakeside Jr. High, Charlie Rankin, Orange Park Jr. High, Duane Hendon, FBA Executive Director, Julie Stratton, Price MS, Joe Hartley, QI Roberts MS, Mike Summers, Green Cove Springs Jr. High, Crystal Staples, Orange Park HS, Mary Ann Sickon, Gainesville HS, David Dixon, Westwood MS, Joey Giberti Lake City MS, Trent Hayes, Baker County HS, Amy Beres, Mebane MS, Monica Fogg, Eastside HS, Gerry Poe, Kanapaha MS, Lori Pirzer, Oak View MS, Bill Pirzer, North Marion HS, Jim Rothgeb, Trenton HS, Mike Williams, Howard Bishop MS, Vicki Nolan, Buchholz HS, Paula Thornton, Buchholz HS, Everett McConn, Ft. Clarke MS, Dirk Schmidt, Lake Butler MS, Kelly Dorsey, Union County HS, Kayla Stoneman, Wilkinson Jr High, Jason Dobson, Keystone Heights HS, Mike Reynolds, Bradford MS, Matt Flenner, Chiefland HS, Winford Franklin, Clay HS, Todd Eckstein, Bell HS/MS, David McGuffin, Ridgeview HS, Steve Hentzleman, Richardson MS, Ed Amaya, Ft. White HS, Stacey Gindlezberger, Bronson HS, Phillip Porter, PK Younge, Robert Stark, Newberry HS.

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Motion by Williams/Dorsey to dispense with reading of Previous Minutes – Motion Passed

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Dirk Schmidt reported that our balance is \$500.00 and that FSMA will mail summer balance soon.

Item 5: Advocacy Issues with FBA and FMEA

- ♪ Paula Thornton gave a brief presentation on music advocacy. She encouraged everyone to talk about their programs and what is going on, what success you are having. Read “The Power of Music Education” in your packet, use the “Talking Points” from FMEA. Be able to speak about the value of your program and what it does for students and that it valued as an art form. One director from each county volunteered to serve as the advocacy contact person from their County:

Marion County – Bill Pirzer, North Marion High School

Alachua County – Vicki Nolan, Buchholz High School and Kathy LaVay, Santa Fe High School

Union County – Kelly Dorsey, Union County High School, Dirk Schmidt, Lake Butler Middle School
Gilchrist – Jim Rothgeb, Trenton High School
Clay – Bert Creswell, Fleming Island High School
Levy – Matt Flenner, Chiefland High School
Columbia – Joey Geberti, LCMS
Baker – Trent Hayes, Baker County HS
Bradford – Tony Buzzella
Putnam – Nick Albanese, Interlauchen High School

- ♪ Duane Hendon asked that the contact person from each county set up a meeting with legislators in September. There should be 3-4 people in each group (contact person and parents). Use the FMEA talking points and find out where the legislator stands and what their support is for the arts (financial and other). Also, fill out the fine arts survey included in your packet. Have your school office personnel help you to fill out your survey if needed. Your school will be called if a survey is not received from you.

Item 6: Communications/Distribution of Packets

- ♪ Please look through your packet. Most forms are self explanatory. All-state applications and participation contracts are in chairman's hands by Sept. 4th. NO late forms will be accepted. All-state forms are available in type and print format on the FBA website (www.flmusiced.org). Please email or call Gerry to make sure he received your forms.
- ♪ Solo and Ensemble commitment forms are due in chairman's hands by November 19th.

Item 7: Unfinished Business - None

Item 8: Committee Reports - None

Item 9: New Business

- ♪ The new festival program will be sent to you in September. Your old program WILL NOT WORK. You will need to include \$20.00 on your assessment form for the new program CD.
- ♪ Membership Dues and Enrollment Forms – DUE SEPTEMBER 15TH. FMEA, 207 Office Plaza DR, Tallahassee, 32301 or PAY online at www.flmusiced.org. FSMA school dues payment to FSMA by Sept. 15th.
- ♪ Classification Forms – In chairman's hands by October 15th
- ♪ All-State Auditions – September 13, 2003 at Buchholz High School. \$10.00 per audition slot (school or booster check, no cash), All-state application (separate form for 7&8, 9&10, 11&12), and participation contract, IN CHAIRMAN'S HANDS BY SEPTEMBER 4TH! Directors are reminded that they must monitor auditions if they have a student auditioning.
- ♪ Mock audition demonstrated by Mike Williams, Gerry Poe, and sax student David Santiago (thanks!). Read script, do not ad-lib! Read loudly and clearly. Test audio level before you begin the audition. You will have a script and two books per room (one for recorder and speaker). Most problems occur with the taping. When you push "pause" you must push "play" to start the recording again NOT "record". Check the tape BEFORE the student leaves the room. Please come in early to watch an audition to become familiar with the process.
- ♪ Small Schools Honor Band and 7th/8th Honor Band Nomination fee is \$15.00 per school. Forms are on the web – flmusiced.org.

- ♪ Marching Band MPA – October 25th at Columbia High School. **Entry form in chairman’s hands by October 3rd** (not Sept. 26th as indicated on calendar). **All Schools will also need to include a booster or school check made out to FBA District IV in the amount of \$25.00 for recording costs.** Schools must have current classification form and FSMA and FBA dues paid to participate
- a. Help is needed from all Jr. High/Middle School directors. Publicity – Joe Adkins for Lake Cit, Gerry Poe for Gainesville.
 - b. Amy Beres will do the programs again this year (thank you Amy!). Please have pictures of your band, on disk and to Amy by October 3rd.
 - c. Only directors, staff, and 1 chaperone per 10 students will receive a comp ticket. All other parents should buy their tickets at the gate. We will not be pre-selling tickets this year.
 - d. Any bands that are planning to arrive at Columbia HS early and will want food should contact Joe Adkins to make arrangements. Changing rooms will be in the gym this year. Please monitor your students.
 - e. Motion – Schmidt/Williams – Marching MPA tickets will be available at the gate for \$7.00, with children under 6 free, and middle school groups free (middle school groups must be accompanied by a director or designee and prior notice must be given). **Motion passes.**
 - f. Motion – Franklin/Adkins – Schedule bands for Marching MPA according to classification, except for North Marion HS and Ridgeview HS. NMHS and RHS will be scheduled first due to a school schedule conflict. **Motion Passes**
 - g. Amendment to previous motion – Dorsey/Creswell – To allow Orange Park HS to be scheduled third at Marching MPA due to a school schedule conflict. **Amendment passes.**
 - h. Motion – Williams/Franklin – Begin Marching MPA at 12:00 instead of 2:00 – **Motion Defeated**
 - i. Motion – Williams/Franklin – Begin Marching MPA at 1:00 instead of 2:00 – **Motion Passes**
 - j. Motion – Williams/McConn- Recording for Marching, Concert and Jazz MPA be done by Terry Moo. Motion Passes

Item 10: District MPA Dates and Sites

- ♪ District Marching MPA – October 25th at Columbia HS
- ♪ Solo & Ensemble MPA – February 13th -14th (we will have Thursday for Jazz Band if enough Jazz groups sign up) at Mebane Middle School
- ♪ High School Concert MPA – March 4-6 at Gainesville
- ♪ Middle Jr/High Concert – Eastside High School – March 25-27

Item 11: District MPA Adjudicators

Marching: Don Reynolds, Brian Sullivan, Bently Shellahamer, Paul Wilson, Renee Meizius, Roger Faulmann

HS Concert: Rick Miles, Jane Lucas, Paul Wilson, Tom Williams

MS Concert: David Ammerman, Max Cordell, Bill Miller, L.C. Coney

Solo and Ensemble: Nat Baggaly, Chris Ball, Jeanie Berry, Cynthia Berry, Dale Blackwell, L.C.

Coney, Marian Flanigan, Bill Hinkle, Richard James, Joann Kinder, Renee Meizius, Gordon O’Hara, Kenneth Schwartz, Lee Sellers, Diane Suris, Brian Sullivan, Cheryl Young, Micky Young

Item 12: Nominations for Adjudicators List - None

Item 13: Suggestions to State Committees - None

Item 14: Proposals to the Executive Board - None

Item 15: Correspondence – Mark Humphrey is taking a tour to Japan. Anyone interested in going should see Gerry. Also, there was a thank you from James Perry about FBA's \$5000.00 contribution lobbying efforts.

Item 16: For the Good of the Association

- ♪ Nick Stark needs flag poles if anyone has any.
- ♪ Jim Rothgeb needs marching baritones if anyone has any.
- ♪ Jim Rothgeb suggests "Turf Tape" as an alternative to spraying lines for your practice field. See www.turftape.com for details.
- ♪ Santa Fe High School will be hosting their annual Southern Showcase on October 11th. This is an FMBC competition. There are spaces left if anyone is interested.
- ♪ Mandatory random drug testing of extracurricular activities is taking place in schools in our district. An effort is being made to let legislators know that band is NOT extracurricular.
- ♪ Duane Hendon challenged the district to get involved with FBA by serving as an officer, on a committee or helping to work one of the many events each year. He also encouraged new directors to watch veteran directors and ask questions to gain ideas.

Item 17: Next Meeting Date

Next District Meeting is October 20th at Fort Clarke Middle School, social at 6 meeting at 6:30pm

Item 18: Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn – Creswell/Rothgeb 8:35

Name of District Secretary:

Signature: Lori Pirzer