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FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 68th year DISTRICT MEETING #2 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-03)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 5	MEETING DATE: November 20, 2003
MEETING NUMBER: 2	MEETING LOCATION: Nature Coast HS - Brooksville

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

The meeting was called to order by the chairman at 7:05 pm. Thanks go to John Dupuis and Nature Coast High School for hosting our second meeting.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

River Ridge MS Larry Harvey Travis A. Henry T. E. Weightman MS Joseph Harrin Central HS Jonathan McKeown Ridgewood HS Nature Coast HS Nicole Fisher River Ridge HS John Dupuis D. S. Parrott MS Gwen Brazinski Bruce Brazinski Guest John Keon Husdon MS Dawane Ledbetter Gulf MS Lecanto HS Tom Viking Seven Springs MS Randall Haynes Robert Cook **Crystal River HS**

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

MOTION: Harrin/McKeown To waive the reading of the previous minutes. PASSED

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

The district account currently stands at \$9032.04. We earned over \$5700.00 in gate receipts at the Marching MPA on November 8. The chairman reported that the assessments for this year should be around \$3.00. He will inform everyone of the exact amount after the December Executive Board meeting.

MOTION: Brazinski/McKeown To accept the treasurer's report as presented. PASSED

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

Jonathan McKeown (advocacy contact for Pasco County) spoke about his recent conference call with FMEA and FSMA representatives regarding music advocacy issues. He spoke about how parents and other supporters

should approach speaking to legislators. Mr. McKeown has already lined up five parents and community members that will contact these individuals on our behalf.

Mr. Henry also discussed the e-mail from James Perry about upcoming bills being filed for the 2004 legislative session. He urged members to keep current on things. If anyone did not receive the forwarded information should call the chairman ASAP.

Item 6: Communications

NONE

Item 7: Unfinished Business

Mr. Henry briefly spoke about the All-State process for this year and the audition process itself. If anyone has suggestions on how to improve things, please forward those to the chairman. The marching MPA was also discussed, and many directors expressed concerns about reading all captions during the awards portion. In addition to this, scheduling and times for the MPA were discussed. The chairman asked members to forward other concerns to him.

Mr. Henry encourages participating directors to fill out the adjudicator comment sheets and return them to him, so that they may be forwarded to the Adjudication Committee chairperson.

Item 8: Committee Reports

NONE

Item 9: New Business

The chairman reminded members of the following dates and sites for the remaining MPA's:

Solo/Ensemble MPA: February 20-21, 2004 @ Wesley Chapel HS Jazz Band MPA – February 19, 2004 @Central HS Concert MPA – March 17 – 20, 2004 @ River Ridge Middle/High School

- Forms, disks and assessment checks are due to the district chairman at the third district meeting (January 13, 2004).
- To ease scheduling, please submit disks in PC format on an IBM formatted disk, not Mac or DOS formatted. For Mac users, you may have to do forms on a PC (I am not positive about that). The Festival Scheduler program will be run from a PC.
- The auxiliary schedule may be run slightly differently, if we can schedule in an alternative way. I will explore this with Duane Hendon.
- Unless we want to do otherwise, we will schedule jazz and concert bands by size, then within classification. Scheduling requests must be submitted along with entry forms, if possible, in order to eliminate conflicts.
- Programs for the Jazz Band MPA and Concert MPA will be handled by the host schools
- Tape recordings will be available for Jazz MPA. CD recordings will be explored for the Concert MPA.

Item 10: State MPA Dates and Sites

Please refer to the FBA web site for dates. The sites are Florida State University (North) and Indian River Community College (Central and South).

Item 11: Nominations for Adjudicators List

NONE

Item 12: Suggestions to State Committees

NONE

Item 13: Proposals to the Executive Board

NONE

Item 14: Other

Bruce Brazinski reminded members that the "No Child Left Behind" federal legislation will affect us in great ways. He also encouraged members to get involved in their school's scheduling committee, as administrators are exploring several options for the 2004-05 school year. Some of the options will affect music courses in a negative way.

The chairman echoed Mr. Brazinski's comments, mentioning that several Pasco county schools are exploring a "flexible day" schedule to accommodate overcrowding.

Item 15: For the Good of the Association

- A huge THANK YOU goes to each of you for helping make our marching MPA a huge success. Special thanks go to Ms. Fisher and the River Ridge HS Band organization for a job well done!!
- The Pasco All-County Band Concert will be on Saturday, January 31, 2004 at Wesley Chapel High School. The clinicians will be Jane Lucas (MS clinician) and Dr. Jeff Traster (HS Clinician).
- Citrus County will be sponsoring the Nature Coast Honors Bands for middle and high school students on

January 22-24, 2004 at Lecanto HS, with the concert on Jan. 24. The clinicians will be Travis A. Henry (MS clinician) and Matthew Sexton (HS clinician).

- Randall Kile, FBA adjudicator and band director in Pinellas County, has been diagnosed with cancer, and his prognosis is not good. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Item 16: Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, January 13, 2004 @ Wesley Chapel HS at 7:00 pm. Please remember that we will be voting for new officers at this meeting.

Item 17: Adjournment

MOTION: Harrin/Ledbetter To adjorn the meeting at 7:55 pm. PASSED

Name of District Secretary:

Mary B. Harvey FBA District 5 Secretary

Signature: