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

DISTRICT NUMBER:	MEETING DATE: April 24th 2004
MEETING NUMBER:	MEETING LOCATION: Alonso High School

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Mr. Norton called meeting to order at 10:00 am. Opening remarks were in reference to the middle school plaques for District MPA that will be arriving soon.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Members present were: Jason Ponder, Armwood HS – Christina Frye, Freedom HS – Donald Hero, Jefferson HS – Paul Gansemer, Chamberlain HS – Harry Williamson, Middleton HS – Bob Keen, Plant HS – Ted Hope, Bloomingdale HS/ROSSAC – Robert Griffin, Blake HS – Bryan Alspach, Monroe MS - Nancy Barlar, Adams MS – Rebekkah Norton, Walker MS – Cynthia Starling, Dowdell MS – Helen Michaelson, Davidsen MS – Kim Mieder Hillsborough HS – John Acosta - Match Bradford, Robinson HS – Mike Woodfin, Riverview HS – Kelly Montero, Mulrennan MS – Dan Slyker, Young MS – Dan Dubay, Durant HS
Jeff Traster Univ of Tampa
No Guests Present

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

There were no corrections to the previous minutes. Minutes were approved as distributed

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Current Balance is 16,425.44. After outstanding checks and assessments, the balance will be 7,015.00

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

John Acosta is the Music Advocate Sponsor for our county. He has asked all directors to provide him with at least one parent contact to represent each music program in the effort for music advocacy. He asks that each director have a parent volunteer to attend meetings, distribute information and organize support when needed. E-mails and addresses are all that is necessary. Mr. Acosta stressed that the parent support will lesson the workload for the directors. Please submit your advocate's name, address and e-mail ASAP

Item 6: Communications

NONE

Item 7: Unfinished Business

NONE

Item 8: Committee Reports

NONE

Item 9: New Business

The Following events and dates for 2004 - 2005

All State 9/18 – Site Freedom HS

District Marching MPA 10/30 – Site Chamberlain HS

Jazz Band MPA 2/5 – Site The State Fair Grounds

There was a motion by Mr. Hope to move this event the 12th pending approval by the Fair Grounds. Motion seconded Jason Ponder.

District Solo and Ensemble 2/18 – 2/19 - Site Alonso HS

District Concert MPA High School 2nd Bands 3/4 and 3/5 – Site TBA

District Concert MPA High School 1st Bands 3/11 and 3/12 - Site TBA

District Concert MPA Middle School 3/14 thru 4/17th - Site Riverview HS pending letter from principal

Item 10: District Adjudicators for Next School Year

We will try to retain the solo and ensemble judges from 2003-2004

New judges for all other MPA's will be left up to the new FBA District Chair

Item 11: Nominations for State MPA Adjudicators

NONE

Item 12: Nominations for Adjudicators List

Secret Ballet vote was taken to approve the following directors to start the adjudication process:

Kevin Frye solo and ensemble

Motion Mieder/ Second Gansemer

Mr. Len Gonzalez - solo and ensemble and marching percussion

Motion Ponder/ second Gansemer

Paul Gansemer – solo and ensemble, marching percussion

Motion Ponder / Second Hero

Bryan Alspach—Solo and Ensemble, Concert

Item 13: Suggestions to State Committees

NONE

Item 14: Proposals to the Executive Board

1. Proposal: That a MC Band would be able to reclassify to a MD

Rational: An MC Band that is in the inner city or a band that has had many directors and is in a rebuilding stage needs to have the choice of playing two grade one's. At this time MC that is the level most middle schools play at do not have the ability to reclassify

Motion to approve this proposal Woodfin Seconded Ponder. Motion Passed

2. Proposal: That the FBA reinstate a State Marching MPA. State MPA would be held in November and would use a ranking and numerical scoring system. Bands would qualify by making a superior rating at their District MPA. The District MPA's evaluation system would remain the same.

Rational: Many bands are looking for a higher level of evaluation. The FBA at one time did have a state marching band evaluation and all other areas of performance. Other advantages to bring back the state MPA would be greater revenue, lower membership dues and good public relations.

Motion to approve this proposal Woodfin Seconded Ponder Motion did not carry

2. Proposal: Upon entering the sight-reading room, the director is allowed to view the score of the march and the overture while the music is being passed out to the students.

Rational: The director needs this time to prepare to discuss with his/her band things like keys, repeats, featured sections and especially difficult rhythms. Sight Reading the score by the director, serves no education purpose for the students. The director should be given an ample opportunity to teach effectively.

Motion to approve this proposal Woodfin Seconded Ponder Motion Passed

Item 15: Other

Mr. Hope announced the following :

- Gasparilla Day Parade checks will be forthcoming and asked that everyone be certain to pay for their buses
- Please take care of their outstanding balances with Music Showcase.
- The Molly Brown Foundation is dealing exclusively with music programs. Take advantage of the Scholarship match program that will match what your boosters can fundraise and purchase as far as musical instruments and equipment.
- Cynthia Starling is being awarded the Clarian Society Teacher of the Year award
Join the celebration Sunday April 26th at USF

Item 16: For the Good of the Association

Jeff Traister from University of Tampa announced his Middle and High School Band camp. An e-mail application and flyer was sent out. Master Musician may attend for free.

Item 17: Next Meeting Date

August 21st Site and Time TBA

Item 18: Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn Jason Ponder Seconded by Mieder

Name of District Secretary: Kimberly Mieder

Signature: