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FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 69th year DISTRICT MEETING #3 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-04)

DISTRICT NUMBER: IV	MEETING DATE: January 24, 2005
MEETING NUMBER: 3	MEETING LOCATION: Mebane Middle School

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Meeting called to order by chairman W. Everett McConn at 7:00pm

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Guests: Josh Pitts, Fort Clarke Middle School Intern from UF

Members: Amy Beres, Lori Pirzer, W. Everett McConn, Mike Reynolds, Michael Johnson, Trent Hayes, John Henry, David Olsen, Bill Pirzer, Dirk Schmidt, Steve Hentzelman, Jamie Garrett, William Garrett, Marco Thomas, Vicki Nolan, Paula Thornton, Jim Rothgeb, Mary Ann Sickon, Todd Eckstein, Mike Williams, Sherri Broadway, Ed Amaya, David Dixon, Jason Dobson, Joey Giberti, Joe Hartley, Kathy LaVay, Corey Mulvihill, Phillip Porter, Clay Cobb

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Motion to dispense with reading of the previous minutes. Williams/Cobb

Motion Passes

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

\$14,302.82 in account and all bills are paid

Motion to accept Treasurer's Report Cobb/Williams

Motion Passes

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

You are encouraged to always be your own advocate and promote your program. Make your program visible. Fort Clarke MS is sending an ensemble to front office to play at the beginning of school each day in the morning.

FMEA Pre-Conference: One of the break out sessions was about software to teach kids to sing. One of the schools in Hillsborough used the program and parents called in to say kids were reading better. USF did a study to see if there was correlation to singing and reading. There were two groups of 24 kids made up of level 1 and level 2 readers and one group visited the music teacher 3 times a week to work on the singing computer program. Between Sept. and Dec. the research showed that students that did not get that experience went down in scores. Every child that had the musical experience went up in reading scores (some as much as two full

grade levels). This is the kind of information that you need to make sure your administration and reading coaches, etc. have. You can visit the website for information to give to your school www.carryatune.com.

Item 6: Communications

Marching Band Directors – Be sure that you have Guard Rails on Drum Major Podiums.

Item 7: Unfinished Business

FBA Logo – FBA has hired a public relations person. They are trying to come up with a new logo for FBA. If you have any ideas or input please email Paula Thornton (sudapt@aol.com)

Item 8: Committee Reports

None

Item 9: New Business

S&E MPA Entry forms and disks collected

Please get DNA's to Lori Pirzer as soon as you have them.

All title changes are due Wednesday, January 26th, 2005

S&E Information: February 4th and 5th @ Mebane Middle School

Directors need to be present when their students are playing at S&E. **If you are not present you need to have a designee present with a letter from you signed by you and your principal stating that they are your designee and they may pick up your judges sheets.** If this procedure is not followed, your students will not be permitted to perform.

Please make sure your students have an original copy of the judge's score with all measures numbered. Copies may only be used if you have permission from the publisher.

Students must have their measures numbered on their S&E's.

There will be NO copy machine available. Please plan accordingly.

High School students must play a grade III or above. High School students playing less than a III will be disqualified unless special permission has been granted in advance of the S&E MPA by the district chairman to play for comments only.

Concert MPA

We tried to give 1st choice for concert. However, there were many requests for one night, so not everyone got their first request. Bands were scheduled by special requests (in the order they were received), then classification, and then band size.

Middle School

Dates: February 24th, 25th and 26th

Site: Eastside High School

High School

Dates: March 4th and 5th

Site: Bradford High School

Other Info:

Motion made to allow Hawthorne J/S High to play for comments only at Concert MPA (the School submitted a letter to the membership) - Schmidt/Dorsey Motion Passes

Motion made to allow Q.I. Roberts MS Concert Band to perform for comments only at MS Concert MPA (the school submitted a letter to the membership) – Schmidt/Williams Motion Passes

Motion made to allow Q.I. Roberts MS Jazz Band to perform for comments only at Jazz MPA (the school submitted a letter to the membership)Williams/Cobb Motion Passes

High School MPA – We have lost one judge for MPA. Please give McConn input if you have a suggestion for another judge.

Item 10: State MPA Dates and Sites

North State S&E March 28,29,30 – at Bartram Trail High School, Jacksonville

South State S&E March 21,22,23 – Palmetto Ridge High School, Naples

North Concert, April 18-23 – Wesley Chapel High School in Wesley Chapel

South Concert, April 18-23 – North Port High School in North Port

Item 11: Election of Officers (if applicable)

Nominations for District Chair – Everett McConn, Fort Clarke Middle School

Motion to Nominate Everett McConn at District Chair. Dorsey/Williams

Motion Passes Unanimously

If anyone is interested in serving as the District Secretary for the next two years, please contact Everett McConn. mconnwe@sbac.edu

Item 12: District MPA Dates for Next Year

Marching MPA – October 22nd @ Columbia

Motion to accept October 22nd LaVay/Henry

Motion Passes

Membership expressed interest in having an exhibition group at Marching MPA.

Kathy LaVay will look into this suggestion.

UCF, USF – were suggestions

S&E/Jazz – February 3rd and 4th

Motion to have S&E/Jazz February 3rd and 4th Williams/Hayes

Motion Passes

January 9th, 2006 all forms are due

Middle School MPA –

There was discussion on still having a 3-day festival with 6 less groups. It would raise the assessment for everyone, however it would help to accommodate the early time slot and late time slots so that schools can get busses and not perform so late.

♪ Motion made to have a middle school festival for 3 days Williams/Thornton

Motion Passes

♪ Motion made for Middle School Concert MPA March 23-25, 2006 Schmidt/Hartley

Motion Passes

This is with the stipulation that schools leading up to spring break will get first choice of dates

If you are interested in hosting MS MPA please bring a letter explaining what you can provide and present it to the district at the next meeting.

High School MPA –

Motion to have High School MPA March 2-4, 2006 Thornton/Hayes

Motion Passes

Item 13: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)

Dirk Schmidt nominates Joe Atkins for Marching MPA seconded by Kelly Dorsey

Voting was done by secret ballot

Passed by Majority Vote

Item 14: Nominations for All-State Clinicians

David Holsinger

Item 15: Suggestions to State Committees

None

Item 16: Proposals to the Executive Board

None

Item 16: Other

None

Item 17: For the Good of the Association

- ♪ David Olsen – On Breathing. David attended a fabulous clinic on Low Brass Playing at FMEA. You can log onto the web site to see other clinics in your area - Euphonium.com. David gave out a hand out at the meeting and shared some breathing exercises that he uses with his students based on this clinic.
- ♪ We are happy that Mary Ann Sickon's student is back at school and doing much better! It is a miracle.
- ♪ Dixie County HS is having a drum clinic on February 12 from 10-5 if anyone is interested. Information was given out at the meeting.
- ♪ If you have any questions about HS MPA please email Mike Johnson redstormdirector@hotmail.com.
- ♪ If you have any questions about S&E/Jazz MPA please email Amy Beres mebaneband@aol.com. Also, if you have large equipment please let her know ahead of time.
- ♪ The district sends its sympathies to Bill Dishman. He lost his father at the beginning of January.
- ♪ We need directors to announce for Auxiliaries at S&E MPA.
- ♪ For Auxiliary at S&E PLEASE make sure that their equipment has stoppers on both ends and is tapped properly. We may lose the use of the Gym if it is not taken care of.

Item 18: Next Meeting Date

Monday, May 9th, 2006 @ Hawthorne J/S High School

Item 19: Adjournment

Motion to adjourn Williams/Atkins

Name of District Secretary: Lori Pirzer

Signature:

Lori Pirzer