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FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 70th year DISTRICT MEETING #1 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-05)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 8	MEETING DATE: 08/03/05
MEETING NUMBER: 1	MEETING LOCATION: Freedom HS
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Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Announced new directors to the county. See Directory for placement of all directors. Introduced new interns in the county.

Introduction of Mr. Almeida and Dr. Koontz from UCF. Please take part in the All-State prep clinic to be held at UCF on Sat. Aug. 27^{th} from 9:00 - 4:00

See flyer for more detailed information on the event.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present, Mentor Assignments

Bill Reinecke – Apopka HS Bruce Green – Meadowbrook MS Missie Ellis – Lakeview MS Lisa Bujnicki – Lakeview MS Adam Steff - Cypress Creek HS Rufus Redding - Jones HS Arlen Pfenninger - Meadow Woods JB Wilkins - Memorial MS James Henderson - Boone HS Ken Rogier - Union Park MS Christopher Sego - Chain of Lakes MS Mark Ellis – Apopka HS Hannah Ehrmann - Legacy MS Charles Watford - Dr. Phillips HS Marianne Flanagan - Colonial HS David Laniewski - West Orange HS Heather Harding Discovery MS Rhett Cox – Timber Creek HS Eric Saidat - Discovery MS John LaCognata - Winter Park Rich Ervin – Winter Park Brian Sullivan – Glenridge MS Eric Mendez - Maitland MS Rob Connelly – Boone HS Fason Ford – Piedmont Lakes Leo Lamos - Ocoee HS Derek Shapiro – Cypress Creek

Keith Nichols - Conway MS Matt Kamisndee - Dr. Phillips HS Zanetta Barnes - Lockhart MS Jack Eaddy - Oak Ridge HS Mark Sorrells - Liberty MS Stephen Harbough - Gotha MS Lindi Jacques - Walker MS Jill Gutierrez - Hunter's Creek MS Allison Rosser – Blankner School Gary Hernandez - Corner Lake MS Linda Orrantia - Windy Ridge School Pam Guess - Arbor Ridge School Chris Perez - Freedom HS Justin Davis - Freedom HS Phil Obado - University HS Abby Mejeur – Edgewater HS Bernie Hendricks - Ocoee HS Jennifer Young - Apopka MS Kelvin Gunter – Carver MS Jeanie Berry - Southwest MS Osvaldo Quezada - Stonewall Jackson MS Marcus Collins Evans HS Mike Parks - Orange County Public Schools Devin Hoey - Ocoee HS Nicole Nasrallah – Ocoee MS Mark Howard - Hunter's Creek MS Becky Sego - West Orange HS

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Posted on the web site

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

End of Past Year's Statement: \$54,583.73 total expenses Proposed Current Year Budget: \$55,980.00

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues-FBA/FSMA

Bill Reinecke spoke on behalf of FSMA/FMEA TIME will be at FMEA. See Mark Ellis for questions pertaining to TIME Bill also spoke about the advocate retiring. All individual teachers should support legislation and stay actively involved in advocacy.

Our ultimate goal is for our subject area to be referred to as "co-curricular" FSMA has been really good at killing bills not in our favor, not so good at getting things passed, so that is now their focus. Once again, obesity is expected to be a huge problem.

We need to include MAESTRO at our MPA's we made a good first effort last year; we need to keep it going! We need a volunteer to coordinate this effort!

Stress "process" as much as performance in your programs!

Your parents and administration need to understand your process! That is where our strength lies! We are teaching reading skills, problem solving, life skills, every time we get up in front of the kids. Not just entertaining!

Item 5: Announcements

FMEA Awards Nomination forms are in the Florida Music Director Magazine.

Item 6: Communications/Distribution of Packets

(ALL BY EMAIL THIS YEAR)

Make sure you received the calendar with your agenda. You will receive regular emails with forms attached from Jodi this year. Jodi will also be emailing a version of Becky's help sheet for you to consult as well. Everything is on the website!! www.flmusiced.org/fba please get in the habit of checking there regularly!

If you see corrections in calendar, please let Jodi know.

Item 7: Unfinished Business

Adam's motion to the exec board passed. We may now submit a PO with the State MPA entry packet as long as the check is sent to Duane within 14 days of the district MPA.

There are some new awards that follow a nomination process, please see your Florida Music Director for details or the website.

The deadline for requesting to perform solo and ensemble titles not on the list has been moved to December 1. The form is on the website.

Directors with auxiliaries need to take note of an S&E rule change: An individual student may be entered in the following events, but NO INDIVIDUAL MAY BE ENTERED IN MORE THAN TWO TWIRLING/ AUXILAIRY ENSEMBLES OF ANY KIND OR COMBINATION LIMIT: TWO solo events/ TWO Twirling, Guard, Dance Ensembles. The 2 solos must have different equipment or one may be dance, and the 2 ensembles must have different equipment. A student may also perform an instrumental solo or ensemble as long as the total number of solos does not exceed 2 and the overall limit of 4 S&E events is observed.

THE NOVEMBER MEETING IS THE DEADLINE TO LET JODI KNOW IF YOU WILL BE REGISTERING ANY AUXILIARY EVENTS FOR SOLO AND ENSEMBLE in 2006.

There have been changes to classification process. Please see III-A.6. (a-f), page 6 or Jodi if this affects you. This process is basically handled at the district level now.

We need someone willing to act as the benevolence coordinator for the district. Basic responsibilities include receiving concerns and reporting them to Jodi and Dalaine Chapman.

There are major changes being considered by the sight reading committee, several other districts expressed concerns similar to ours at the spring meeting. Stay tuned... We are well represented on this committee as Tim Douglass has been a member and Jeanie Berry was recently appointed chair. Please share your thoughts with them.

Summer Convention was well attended. Thanks to Abby Mejeur for representing our district so well with her clinic.

Item 8: Committee Reports

Missy was asked to get a purple bag. Becky received a hub cap from the purple bag as a thank you from Jodi for a job well done...inside joke.

Eric agreed to do calendar again. Heather is working with UCF for All-State prep. UCF wants to do this every year.

Our association is getting stronger and stronger because there are so many people who are beginning to step up and accept responsibility for little pieces of the pie! Thanks to all who contributed to the district in any capacity last year including our event hosts and those who helped out in any way.

Item 9: New Business

Please pay membership dues via credit card from school. Mike Parks echoed this. Eric Mendez suggested an E-check if you can do it. Jodi responded by saying "GET R DONE"

***DIRECTORS MUST BE A MEMBER OF FBA BY SEPTEMBER 1 FOR STUDENTS TO AUDITION FOR ALL-STATE.

Classification forms due October 15th to Jodi, Bernie, or James. Watch for an email from Jodi with complete instructions.

All State Auditions: September 17th @ Ocoee High School. Thank you Bernie, Leo, and Devin!

Forms/Fees (\$15.00 per audition slot) and contracts! Due to Jodi, Bernie, or James by September 1.

Please screen students carefully.

Everyone who has students auditioning will be given a work assignment for audition day that will need to be covered either personally, or by providing a suitable substitute. Jodi will try to assign directors to times when their students are scheduled, however, that is not completely possible.

Schedule: Middle School beginning @ 8am Concert/Symphonic Band will end between 2 pm and 5 pm Jazz – late morning, early afternoon

Small Schools Honors Band/Middle School Honors Band. Forms on web, mail to person listed on the form! \$15 per school. Forms due September 28.

Marching MPA

October 29, Florida Citrus Bowl. Entry form due August 23rd to Jodi, Bernie, or James. (no disk or check yet!) Also plan to submit your program information at this time. Must have a classification form on file to participate. MPA will start at 3:00.

JB and Eric will be working with the MS mass band this year.

Linda Orrantia will email requests for presale tickets

The S&E list is going to be revised for the 2006-2007 school year. Please if you find errors please take time to email them to <u>fbasande@hotmail.com</u> (misspellings, duplicated titles in different grades for the same instruments, wrong instrumentation, etc.

Becky announced that if the committee receives more than 10 requests to play a specific title not on the list, there is a good chance it will be added to the list.

Membership Dues & Enrollment Forms Due September 1 (earlier than last year; pay online at <u>www.flmusiced.org</u>. Students will not be allowed to audition for All-State if band director is not a member of FBA by September 1st.

Classification Forms due October 15. Principal and Director Signature Required

- Senior High: Report grades 9, 10, 11, 12 or 10, 11, 12 as appropriate
- Junior High: Report Grades 7, 8, and 9 (unless you plan to not use any 7th graders in any phase of MPA, then only count 8th and 9th graders)
- Middles School: Report Grades 7 and 8 only
- FINE: 50.00 for submitting this form late (Payable to FBA) \$100.00 on the 8th calendar day after the deadline.
- Form is on the FBA website: <u>www.flmusiced.org/fba</u>

All State Auditions: (forms are in August Bulletin and on <u>www.flmusiced.org/fba</u>)

Site: Ocoee High School Date: September 17th Deadline: September 1st Fees: \$15 per slot LATE FINES: \$50.00 for submitting forms late (Payable to FBA) \$100.00 on the 8th calendar day after the deadline. Band director must be a member of FMEA/FBA by **September 1** in order to have students audition for all-state. Small School Honors Band and 7-8th Grade Honor Band Nomination:
Forms are in August Bulletin and on <u>www.flmusiced.org/fba</u>
Completed forms and fees should be sent to the respective chairman whose name and address are on the form. Deadline September 28th.

Marching Band MPA: Date: October 29th Site: Orlando Citrus Bowl Entry Form Due Date: August 23rd No assessment money collected at this time. Assistance needed from Middle School/Junior High directors

Nominations for the Oliver Hobbs Award (see latest "Florida Bandmaster"):

Nominations for the Tom Bishop Award (see latest "Florida Bandmaster"):

Item 10: District MPA Dates and Sites

Solo and Ensemble MPA (MS/JH): Feb 23-25 at Colonial High School Solo and Ensemble MPA (High School): Feb 2-4 (Site TBA) Concert MPA (MS): April 6-8 hosted by Batman @ Olympia High School Concert (High School): March 2-4 hosted by Winter Park High School

Item 11: District MPA Adjudicators

Thanks to Lisa Bujnicki for her efforts here. We are 95% of the way to having all our adjudicators secured.

Item 12: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)

None at this time

Item 13: Suggestions to State Committees

Music Committee (before Oct 1^{st} for Concert titles, Dec 1^{st} for S/E):

Clinics Committee: (before Oct 1):

Other:

Item 14: Proposals to the Executive Board

None at this time

Item 15: Correspondence

None at this time

Item 16: For the Good of the Association

Thanks to Freedom HS and Justin and Chris for hosting us! ^(C) Please be careful. Document everything. Adequately supervise students at all times Attendance is huge this year. Make sure you are accountable for everything.

Bernie commented on the MS marching band. More important than that is to keep in communication with your area superintendent about how you feel with regards to how you run your band program.

Marcus commented on the use of 2 computers in a room. Others agreed at that and said even a laptop would be good.

Active mentoring this year! Don't wait to be asked, jump in and offer help! Please help new teachers the best you can.

Becky said to please find a way to help with FBA. 90% of the questions that are asked can be found in the FBA handbook and info on the website.

Jeannie commented on the possibly having a pot luck type lunch for marching MPA. Bernie said he is working on getting more food for that event.

Jack said thanks for all of the support with his new position at Oak Ridge.

Eric M. said that Orlando Concert Band would like to do more benefit concerts to help your program financially.

Marcus announced the "Green Machine" fish fry on Sat. Aug 6 at 10:00. They are also working on a car wash as well. Please attend for only \$5.00.

Mark Ellis motioned to end the meeting. It was seconded by Bernie.

Item 17: Next Meeting Date and Place

Next district meeting will be Saturday, Nov. 5th at 10:00am. It will take place at Ocoee High School. Solo & Ensemble display with Florida Music Service. 10am – 2pm. You will al receive a flyer to post for your students.

Item 18: Adjournment

Name of District Secretary: James Henderson

Signature: