

FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 72nd year

DISTRICT MEETING #3 MINUTES

(ver. 08-07)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 3	MEETING DATE: January 26, 2008	
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Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Adam Gray – Community Christian School Angela McKenzie – Swift Creek M.S. Annie Frehn – SAS Becky Carlan – Wakulla H.S. Beth Kelly – Holy Comforter School Carmen Williams – Fairview M.S. Charlie Strickland – Tallahassee Home School Cheri Copland – Suwannee H.S. Chuck Perego – Raa M.S. Jason Schmauch – Taylor M.S. Jennifer Corzine – Maclay John Buckley – FSU School Josh Bula – Leon H.S. Kristin Dow – Riversprings M.S. Mike German – Lawton Chiles H.S. Monica Leimer – Godby H.S. Nathan White – Griffin M.S. Quincy Griffin – Rickards H.S. Ryan Kelly – Lincoln H.S. Stewart Schlazer – Leon H.S. Intern Will Wise – Wakulla H.S. Intern

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Motion by White/2nd Carlan to dispense with reading of the minutes. PASSED

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

As of 1-21-08: Checking 9330.47, Savings \$25.00

There may be some District Honor Band expenses tonight, and assessments are due at this meeting, so the checking balance will dramatically increase upon that deposit.

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

Legislative Talking Points---These are general points and as yet do not point to specific legislation. If you schedule a meeting with your legislator, these are the issues of concern.

- Protect the dedicated fine arts credit for high school graduation.
- Oppose efforts to require 225 minutes per week for physical education in grades 6-8
- The need to have a middle school fine arts course requirement
- Include the fine arts in any revision of the Sunshine State Standards or World Class Standards Go to www.flmusiced.org for more legislative information.

There was a question as to whether or not the Marching Band P.E. exemption—basically if your district requires the HOPE class, there is no need for the PE waiver, but if your district still offers separate PE and Personal Fitness classes, your students may use the waiver to waive PE. Here is what Jeanne Reynolds has told us:

Basically the PE waiver is in effect, but for many districts, particularly large districts, it is a moot point since our district requires all students to take the HOPE course. HOPE fulfills the PE and health requirement. In essence **there is no longer a PE course to waive**. Prior to HOPE, students had to take PE and personal fitness. You will recall that the marching band waiver waived the PE requirement but personal fitness was still required. Now students can either take personal fitness and waive PE or just take the HOPE course without the waiver. Works out the same in terms of time. The difficulty is that in my district we are ONLY offering HOPE so students cannot waive PE. I am hearing from my upper administration that there is movement to get this fixed legislatively during this session so that the whole state will do HOPE or at least something consistent from district to district. In that way if students transfer from district to district the requirements will be the same.

Item 6: Communications

Wakulla H.S. Request to perform for Comment Only at District Concert MPA. Motion by Perego/Carmen to accept Request. Motion Passed.

Item 7: Unfinished Business

Reaction to Board and General Meeting Minutes

Discuss FMBC's request—members concerned about the educational purpose of FBA versus FMBC. No bands in our district are really heavy into competitive marching band, and generally use the FMBC events as a way to prepare for FBA or to see and learn from other larger bands around the state.

Item 8: Committee Reports

All-District Honor Band:

Budget Report made available to members.

Mark Hinkin will be recording the DHB Concert.

Thanks to Monica Leimer(Site Host) and Becky Carlan(Coordinator) for their work on DHB.

Ryan Kelly appointed to start and lead a mentoring/recruiting committee.

Monica Liemer appointed to start and lead in-service committee.

Item 9: New Business

Entry forms and assessment checks collected at this meeting.

Solo & Ensemble Information: Auxiliary only on Friday @ Madison Cty, all instrumental solos and ensembles will be Saturday @ FSU.

Concert MPA Information:

Dates: March 6-8

Site:

- Middle school: Thursday night and Friday at Godby High School.
- High School: Friday night and Saturday at Leon High School.

Make sure your titles and accompanists are correct in MPA Online. You can make title changes up until 10 days before the event.

Item 10: State MPA Dates and Sites

Solo/Ensemble:

- North: April 7-9, 2008 West Port High School
- South: March 31 April 2, 2008 Taravella High School

Concert:

- North:
 - o April 14-15 2008 University of North Florida
 - April 16-18 2008 Bartram Trail High School
 - South: April 14-18, 2008 -- Vero Beach High School

Item 11: Election of Officers (if applicable)

Last meeting, Mike German and Monica Leimer were nominated for District Chair.

Monica Leimer withdraw her nomination. Additional Nominations: None Motion to elect Mike German as District Chair (Carlan/White) Motion Passed

Last meeting, Angela McKenzie and Carmen Williams were nominated for District Secretary. Carmen Williams withdrew his nomination. Additional Nominations:None Motion to elect Angela McKenzie as District Secretary (Williams/Ryan) Motion Passed

Results:Mike German District Chairman Angela McKenzie District Secretary

Item 12: District MPA Dates for Next Year

Following this year as a guide, here will be the dates for 2008-2009

- All-State Auditions—September 20, 2008
- Marching MPA—November 1,2008 (1st Choice) October 25, 2008 (2nd Choice) (Final Marching date must be determined when we know when Homecoming Dates for FAMU and FSU, and the start date of the North Florida Fair)
- All-District Auditions—December 13, 2008
- All-District –January 22-24, 2009
- Solo/Ensemble February 13 (Aux), February 14 (Instrumental)? FSU?
- Middle School Concert-- March 5-6, 2009
- High School Concert—March 6-7, 2009

Item 13: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot) None.

Item 14: Nominations for All-State Clinicians None

Item 15: Suggestions to State Committees

Clinics Committee--Recommend FBA Provide How-to Clinics on a yearly basis. ie. Tuning flutes (Sue Delaney), breath support for tubas, etc. Have exhibitors to provide instruments for the "how to" clinics.

Clinics Committee or Suggestions to FMEA about the conference-

- Print in Conference Program who the session is intended (i.e. beginning teacher, veteran teacher, elementary teachers, all music teachers, etc..).
- Offer popular sessions twice during the conference.
- Print a small pocket-sized version of the clinic and conference schedule

Suggestion to the awards Committee "Name 5-Year Superior Award after Bill Miller -retired band director of Cobb Middle School in Tallahassee."

Item 16: Proposals to the Executive Board

(must be in the form of a motion) None.

Item 16: Other

None.

Item 17: For the Good of the Association

Congratulations on Monica Leimer expecting a child.

Suwannee H.S. has a new Orchestra Program.

Congratulations to Randy Folsom -- New FBA President Elect.

Kudos to Don Zentz for his Jazz List on <u>www.Zentz.org</u>.

Taylor County Music and Art Festival May 10th – Contact Brett Wilson if you are interested in performing—the city may help with transportation costs.

Item 18: Next Meeting Date May 5th, 2008 6pm @ Golden Corral in Perry.

Item 19: Adjournment Motion by White/Carlan to adjourn. Motion Passed.

Name of District Secretary: Mike German

Signature: