



**FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 72<sup>nd</sup> year**  
**DISTRICT MEETING #1 MINUTES**  
(ver. 08-07)

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| <b>DISTRICT NUMBER: 4</b> | <b>MEETING DATE: 8-27-07</b>  |
| <b>MEETING NUMBER: 1</b>  | <b>LOCATION: Ft. White HS</b> |

**Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks**

19:00, Chairman Ed Amaya called meeting to order.

**Item 2: Members and Guests Present, Mentor Assignments**

Members Present:

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| Ed Amaya             | Ft. White HS                  |
| Lori Pizer           | Oak View MS                   |
| Clay Cobb            | Newberry HS                   |
| David Jones          | Eastside HS                   |
| Rahsaan McNeill      | Kanapaha MS                   |
| Summer Sams          | Baker Co. HS                  |
| David Dixon          | Westwood MS                   |
| Sherod Keen          | Richardson MS                 |
| Dustin Adams         | Bradford Co. MS               |
| Everett McConn       | Fort Clarke MS                |
| Vito Montauk         | High Springs Community School |
| Stacey Gindlesperger | Bronson MS/HS                 |
| Todd Eckstein        | Lincoln MS                    |
| Kathy LaVay          | Howard Bishop MS              |
| Amy Beres            | Howard Bishop MS              |
| Jamie Petersheim     | Trenton Jr. / Sr. HS          |
| Sara Gover           | Bell High School              |
| Alex Kaminsky        | Buchholz HS                   |
| Kelly Dorsey         | Union Co. HS                  |
| Ryan Schulz          | Columbia HS                   |
| David Chandler       | Lake City MS                  |
| William McClendon    | Baker Co. MS                  |
| Dirk Schmidt         | Lake Butler MS                |
| Alvin Johnson        | Williston HS                  |
| Joe Hartley          | Q. I. Roberts MS              |
| Phillip Porter       | P.K. Younge                   |
| Will Garrett         | Dixie HS                      |
| Megan Watkins        | Santa Fe HS                   |
| Tammy McCormick      | Bradford HS                   |
| Bill Pizer           | Gainesville HS                |

Mentors: Read by Lori Pizer, Oak View MS

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| Bell HS                       | Sara Gover   | Kelly Dorsey                |
| Baker Co. HS                  | Summer Sams  | Bill McClendon (FBA mentor) |
| High Springs Community School | Vito Montauk | Everett McConn              |
| Eastside HS                   | David Jones  | Clay Cobb                   |
| Richardson MS                 | Sherod Keen  | Ed Amaya                    |
| Hawthorne MS                  | Andrew Boyd  | Alex Kaminsky               |

### **Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes**

Motion to Waive: Dirk Schmidt Lori Pizer, Accepted.

### **Item 4: Treasurer's Report**

\$500.00 presently in account. Just received a check from FBA for \$8585.84. Dirk Schmidt read a letter of intent to Mercantile Bank to change past President's and Secretary's name from Everett McConn and Joe Hartly to Ed Amaya and Bill McClendon respectively.

### **Item 5: Next Meeting Date and Place**

Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at Union County HS, 6:30 Social, 7:00 meeting.

### **Item 6: Music Advocacy Issues-FBA/FSMA**

Lori Pizer – MS career planning component begins in Dist. 4 next school year of 2008-2009. Begin to consider implications in music classrooms

### **Item 7: Announcements**

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

### **Item 8: Communications/Distribution of Packets**

Reading of letter from Palmetto HS to petition to enter HS Marching MPA District 4. Assessment should go to home district. Recording fees should be sent to District 4.

Kathy Lavay.- Todd Eckstein. Motion accepted

Kanapaha MS to hold District 4 Solo & Ensemble Contest – Pending approval of administration

Motion Levay – Schmidt. Approved

Bradford HS to hold District 4 Concert MPA pending letter. McConn-Todd, Approved

Reading of letter from Duane Hendon- Reminder of membership dues. Online registration works best. Lori Pizer questioning lack of payment from bookkeeper. McConn suggested to contact Duane Hendon ASAP. Schools must be recognized and accepted before using the MPA program. DO NOT WAIT!

### **Item 9: Unfinished Business**

MS – HS Concert MPA Festival at Bradford HS pending letter of approval from administration

### **Item 10: Committee Reports**

None

### **Item 11: New Business**

All-State Audition Fees - Booster checks only, no personal checks (unless it is from band director. (FBA District 4) \$10.00.

Confirm associate membership of FOA to sponsor 5 string students. Directors must be full FOA members to sponsor more

Arm band forms on website as well as announcer sheet to go to Ed Amaya for Marching MPA

MS students of competing HS get in free with a chaperone per 10. (include these students with arm band request).

McConn suggested dinner break at Columbia to help sales. Include \$35.00 recording fee. Contact by District 4 will be made to UF to inquire about exhibition performance at Marching MPA.

Amy Beres starts sign-up for MS directors to assist at MPA.

District 4 is negotiating with Music Center to use 14-16 Yamaha clavinos for S&E.

Directors need to be at All-State in order for students to audition.

Students should check in 30-45 minutes ahead of time to Ed Amaya.

Students will receive card with information on it.

Audition CD will be checked against card info.

Yom Kippur conflict: - Levay – parents are concerned and voicing those concerns to the school board.

Conflicting schools can hold mini-audition. McConn recommendation to hold it on 20<sup>th</sup>.

Respond to Ed Amaya about this from conflicting schools.

Everett McConn conducted mock All-State audition

Membership Dues (use online for speed) & Enrollment Forms Due September 7th (earlier than last year).

Send to FMEA or pay online at [www.flmusiced.org](http://www.flmusiced.org).

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 1st to the District Chairman. Principal and Director Signature Required  
Forms must be typed

Report the enrollment of your ENTIRE SCHOOL, not just your band program.

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)

Middle 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: [www.flmusiced.org/fba](http://www.flmusiced.org/fba)

All State Auditions: (forms are in August Bulletin and on [www.flmusiced.org/fba](http://www.flmusiced.org/fba) )

Site: Buccholz HS

Date: 9-22-07

Deadline: 9-7-07

Fees: \$10.00 per student – MS, \$15.00 per student HS

Small School Honors Band and 7-8th Grade Honor Band Nomination:  
None

Forms are in August Bulletin and on [www.flmusiced.org/fba](http://www.flmusiced.org/fba)

Completed forms and fees should be sent to the respective chairman whose name and address are on the form.

Marching Band MPA:

Date: 10-20-07

Site: Columbia HS

Entry Form Due Date (to district chairman): 10-01-07

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"):

None

Nominations for the Tom Bishop Award (see latest "Florida Bandmaster"):  
None

## **Item 12: District MPA Dates and Sites**

Solo and Ensemble MPA (MS/JH/HS): Kanapaha MS, pending letter of approval from administration  
Concert (JH/MS/HS): Bradford Co. HS, pending letter of approval from administration

## **Item 13: District MPA Adjudicators**

Marching:

Mark Nelson – music  
Eddie Steadman – music  
Jane Lucas – MM  
Chuck Perego – percussion  
Jason Duckett – GE  
Richard Delafuente – aux

S&E

Diane Suris, Chuck Perego – percussion  
Gail Robertson, Eric Menedez, Doug Yopp, Dale Blackwell – brass  
Brian Sullivan, Craig Collins, Gordon O'Hara, Jeff Cayer – ww  
Pending – Al Hagar, Carol McQueen

Concert

Andrea Tobin – stage  
Steve Kelly – Stage (pending contract)  
Brian Sullivan – Stage  
Al Hagar – SR (pending contract)  
Mike Mitchell - comments

## **Item 14: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)**

None

## **Item 15: Suggestions to State Committees**

None:

## **Item 16: Proposals to the Executive Board**

None

## **Item 17: Correspondence**

None

## **Item 18: For the Good of the Association**

Review the marching band etiquette guidelines that were prepared by Martha Stark and published in the FBA handbook.

Remember that each director is responsible for knowing the rules, policies, and guidelines published in the FBA handbook.

Use common sense with technological advances.  
Check the website often for updates (flmusiced.org)

Music learning committee at Fort Clarke MS, 9-26-07, 4 pm to 5pm. Music Showcase.  
Gate price \$7 for Marching MPA, District 4.

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**Item 19: Adjournment**

Ed Amaya motioned to adjourn at 20:59  
Motion - Megan Watkins – Todd Eckstein. Accepted

**Name of District Secretary:**

Respectfully submitted by William D. McClendon, District 4 Secretary

**Signature:**