



FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 72nd year

DISTRICT MEETING #1 MINUTES

(ver. 08-07)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 12	MEETING DATE: August 25, 2007
MEETING NUMBER: 1	LOCATION: Sleepy Hill Middle School

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Thanks to J.R. Boatwright and the Sleepy Hill Middle School Band Parents for providing breakfast and a location for our meeting.

Brad Wharton was nominated and voted in as new District Secretary.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present, Mentor Assignments

Auburndale HS	Jason Gibbs	Lakeland Highlands MS	Amber Thompson
Bartow HS	Jon Eckman	Lakeland HS	Brad Wharton
Bartow HS Intern	Evan Markowitz	Lakeland HS	Kristin NeSmith
Bartow MS	Mark Lussier	Lawton Chiles Mid Academy	Jane Sholine
Blake Academy	Lindsay Samuels	McKeel Academy	Brian Hawks
Boone MS	Cheryce Harris	McLaughlin MS	Kirsten Kenny
Crystal Lake MS	Nicole Moore	Mulberry HS	Kevin LeVine
Discovery Academy	Kim Ingram	Mulberry MS	April Malott
Davenport SOTA	Kyle Guira	Retired	Chuck Beutel
Denison MS	Brian O'Steen	Retired	John DeYoung
Dundee Ridge MS	Tash Torres	Retired	David Fultz
Florida Southern College	J. Jossim	Retired	Tom McDonald
George Jenkins HS	Dennis LoCurcio	Retired	Jim Parker
Harrison School for the Arts	Rob Lambert	Ridge Community HS	Phil Wharton
Haines City HS	Sean Harlan	Rochelle SOTA	Jesse Bryant
Jewett Mid Academy	Barbara Fultz	Sleepy Hill MS	J.R. Boatwright
Kathleen HS	Chris Revett	Southwest MS	Jeff Cayer
Kathleen HS	Chris Revett	Stambaugh MS	Steve Alia
Lake Alfred-Addair MS	Angel Meroni	Union Academy	Kent Kesler
Lake Gibson HS	Matthew Clark	Westwood MS	David Christopher
Lake Gibson MS	Michael McElwain	Winter Haven HS	Sean Luce
Lake Region HS	Don West	Polk Count School Board	Frank Howes
Lake Wales HS	Mike Yopp	Private Instructor	Judy Buss
Lake Wales HS	Lisa Walker	Private Instructor	Randi Manzi
Lakeland Christian School	Chuck Fulton	Guest	Brian Haymans
Lakeland Christian School	Kathy Johnson		

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Motion by K. Levine to dispense of reading of previous minutes/Second N. Moore

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

End of Past Year's Statement: \$3960.29

Proposed Current Year Budget: \$37,440

Item 5: Next Meeting Date and Place

October 15 at Auburndale High School

Item 6: Music Advocacy Issues-FBA/FSMA

Jeff Cayer mentioned to the membership to be actively involved in pursuing music advocacy issues, especially those that are forwarded to us by James Perry, Executive Director of the FMEA.

John Eckman spoke to the membership about the music recruiting DVD that he created last year.

Item 7: Announcements

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

Start uploading your class lists to MPA Online. Register at <http://www.flmusiced.org/mpaonline/login.aspx> or by linking through www.flmusiced.org/fba - for directors - technology – MPA Online – MPA Online login

Requests for re-classification - Any letters today? Send letter with classification form to district chairman. We vote on these at Nov. meeting.

There are 27 pages of S&E music changes on the website. Take a look before preparing for S&E. If needed, be sure to complete all music change requests by **December 1**

Item 8: Communications/Distribution of Packets

Forms are online at www.flmusiced.org/fba

Jesse Bryant provided Private Instructor List

Phil Wharton provided District Contact List

Item 9: Unfinished Business

Item 10: Committee Reports

Benevolence Committee – Rob Raabe.....Please bring all donations for the benevolence committee to the next FBA meeting.

Piano Committee – Jon Eckman

Item 11: New Business

Membership Dues & Enrollment Forms Due **September 1** (same as last year). Send to FMEA or pay online at www.flmusiced.org. Students will not be allowed to audition for All-State if band director is not a member of FBA by **September 1**.

Classification Forms due **October 15** to the District Chairman. Principal and Director Signature Required Report the enrollment of your ENTIRE SCHOOL, not just your band program. This should be done according to your school's 20th day count (**September 17**)

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: www.flmusiced.org/fba

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

Site: Sleepy Hill Middle School

Date: **September 22**

Deadline: **August 31**

Fees: \$14.00 with Ron Powell's Assistance (Motion to accept C. Fulton/Second K. Levine)

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 due **September 26**.

Forms are in August Bulletin and on www.flmusic.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: **November 3**

Time: 5:30 Lake Wales High School Performance
5:45 National Anthem by Lake Wales High School
6:00 Next Band

Site: Denison Field, Winter Haven

Entry Form Due Date (to district chairman): **September 28**

No assessment money collected at this time.

Assistance needed from Middle School/Junior High directors

Tickets: Adults \$7.00 Student \$5.00

DVD's - For \$250, BOA will research any music copyright compliance that you need.

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

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

Dave Fultz spoke about the accomplishments of Tom Bishop during his career and the criteria for being nominated for the Tom Bishop Award.

Item 12: District MPA Dates and Sites

Marching MPA: November 3 at Denison Stadium

Jazz Band MPA: February 7 at **TBA**

Solo and Ensemble MPA: February 8-9 at **TBA**

Concert (Middle School): March 13-15 at Winter Haven High School

Concert (High School): March 7-8 at **TBA**

Item 13: District MPA Adjudicators

List provided to the membership.

Item 14: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)

Nomination for Don West to be added to the FBA Adjudicator List for Concert, Marching and Jazz (Motion R. Lambert , Second K. Levine) Discussion Ensued. Motion Passed.

Item 15: Suggestions to State Committees

Item 16: Proposals to the Executive Board

Item 17: Correspondence

Letter received from Winter Haven High School to perform last at Marching MPA. (Motion , Second D. West) Motion passed.

Letter received from Sebastian River High School to perform at Polk County's Marching MPA due to homecoming conflict. (Motion to accept D. West, Second S. Alia) Motion passed.

Letter received from Lake Wales High School to perform first at Marching MPA (or out of district) due to FMBC conflict. (Motion by K. Levine to accept with the contingency that they will perform the Star Spangled Banner before MPA, Second C. Harris) Discussion ensued. Motion passed.

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.

Discussion was held on "Preserving the Profession". John DeYoung, Jimmy Parker and Tom McDonald spoke about where FBA has been and where it is going.

The Bishop Kraushaar Invitational will be held at Lake Wales High School on **November 10**. This is an FMBC regional event.

Randi Manzi (Manzi's Music)

Chris Revette announces that the Central Florida Marching Band Showcase will be held **October 13** at Kathleen High School.

Florida Southern College will be hosting its annual Band Day Concert on **November 16** at 10:30a.m.

Florida Southern College Middle School Band Symposium to be held **October 26 and 27**.

Dr. J. Jossim announces to the membership about participation in Hollingsworth Winds. More information by contacting her or Ivan Wansley at Florida Southern College.

Chuck Fulton spoke about FMEA convention and hotel reservations (Sept. 1). He also spoke about building relationships with our congressmen and government officials.

Don West reminded everyone of the requirements to participate in the Polk County Youth Orchestra.

Call Ron Lagg at Florida Music Service to set up an in-store Solo & Ensemble show.

Item 19: Adjournment

Name of District Secretary: Brad Wharton

Signature: