



FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 72nd year DISTRICT MEETING #2 MINUTES (ver. 08-07)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 12	MEETING DATE: 10-15-07
MEETING NUMBER: 2	LOCATION: Auburndale High School

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Thank you to Jason Gibbs and the Auburndale High School Band Boosters for providing dinner and a location for our meeting.

A moment of silence was observed for Brian Hawks, former director at McKeel Academy who passed away in September.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Auburndale HS	Jason Gibbs	Lakeland Highlands MS	Amber Thompson
Blake Academy	Lindsay Samuels	Lakeland HS	Brad Wharton
Boone MS	Cheryce Harris	Lakeland HS	Kristin NeSmith
Crystal Lake MS	Nicole Moore	McKeel Academy	Allison Scallan
Discovery Academy	Kim Ingram	McLaughlin MS	Kirsten Kenny
Denison MS	Brian O'Steen	Mulberry HS	Kevin LeVine
Dundee Ridge MS	Tash Torres	Mulberry MS	April Malott
George Jenkins HS	Dennis LoCurcio	Polk Count School Board	Frank Howes
Guest – Southeastern Univ.	Josh Fry	Retired	Chuck Beutel
Guest – Southeastern Univ.	Mike Mulvaney	Retired	David Fultz
Guest – Southeastern Univ.	John Sibert	Retired	Rob Raabe
Guest – Southeastern Univ.	David Wing	Ridge Community HS	Phil Wharton
Haines City HS	Sean Harlan	Sleepy Hill MS	J.R. Boatwright
Jewett Mid Academy	Barbara Fultz	Southwest MS	Jeff Cayer
Kathleen HS	Chris Revett	Stambaugh MS	Steve Alia
Kathleen MS	David Szumlanski	Winter Haven HS	Sean Luce
Lake Alfred-Addair MS	Angel Meroni		
Lake Gibson MS	Michael McElwain		
Lake Region HS	Don West		
Lake Wales HS	Lisa Walker		
Lakeland Christian School	Kathy Johnson		

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Motion to dispense of the reading (Alia/West)

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

\$4568.51 – Currently Balance

Thank you to Carlton's Music, TECO, Southern Homes, Florida Music Service, The Ledger and Publix for their generous donations.

Thank you to Jimmy Parker for all of his efforts in organizing sponsors and advertising for Marching MPA! A check was presented to the FBA for \$1005 from Lake Region HS Band for the sale of marching MPA DVD's.

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

Check the FMEA website for updates on advocacy correspondence/school issues.

Item 6: Communications

Middle School MPA vs. FCAT –Cheryce Harris = discussion ensued about make-up testing taking place on Thursday and Friday during the middle school concert MPA.

Letter from Don West, Lake Region HS Band to host High School Concert MPA on March 7-9, 2008 (Levine/Fultz)

Item 7: Unfinished Business

Solo and Ensemble MPA

Date: February 7-9, 2007 (Jazz Bands only on Feb. 7)

Site: Bartow High School

MPA Online registration, forms, and assessment check due to chairman by 7:00PM January 15 (at meeting)

Remember that on the 15th day past the due date, entry forms will no longer be accepted.

High School Concert MPA

Date: March 7-8, 2008

Site: Lake Region High School

Middle School Concert MPA

Date: March 13 – 15, 2008

Site: Winter Haven High School

Jeff Cayer spent time giving a visual tutorial on the MPA Online program.

Roanna Combs nominated for the Oliver Hobbs award by Dave Fultz. Motion passes.

High School Marching MPA

A detailed warm-up schedule was organized by Kevin Levine.

Sean Luce showed everyone on the given map where they would unload their equipment for marching MPA at Denison Stadium.

Dave Fultz, speaking on behalf of Jimmy Parker, went over the following information:

- 1) MPA flyer to post around campus
- 2) Addresses and sample thank you letters to area businesses who sponsor our marching MPA
- 3) Sample announcements to be used at football games to promote MPA.

All paragraphs due tonight from high school directors for marching MPA program.

Sean Luce mentioned the new t-shirt design for the marching MPA t-shirt and the sale of spirit beads.

The retreat at the end of the evening should be drum majors, band director and school administrator ONLY! These should be the only people sent to the retreat area!

Item 8: Committee Reports

Piano Committee – Jon Eckman – no report

Benevolence Committee – Rob Raabe

Flowers were sent to the family of Brian Hawks for the funeral held on September 5th, 2007.

Balance as of January, 2007 - \$137.95

Flowers, Brian Hawks - \$88.81

Balance as of October 15, 2007 - \$49.14

Item 9: New Business

Requests for re-classification must be approved by district vote.

Auburndale High School letter – Motion Passed

Haines City High School letter – Motion Passed

Kathleen High School letter – Motion Passed

Discovery Academy submitted a letter to request the opportunity to perform for comments only at concert MPA. (Alia/Gibbs) Motion Passed

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/Central: April 14-18, 2008 ???
- South: April 14-18, 2008 -- Vero Beach High School

Item 11: Nominations for Adjudicators List

None

Item 12: Suggestions to State Committees

Clarinet Tuning – Jason Gibbs spoke about bringing in University of Florida professor for a clinic at FMEA All-State Convention.

Item 13: Proposals to the Executive Board

None

Item 14: Other

None

Item 15: For the Good of the Association

Allison Scallan presented a letter from McKeel Academy Superintendent thanking the FBA directors for all of their work and support during their time of bereavement for former director Brian Hawks.

Frank Howes talks about Polk County Schools Superintendent Gail McKenzie and the wonderful comments she made about the FBA in regards to helping at McKeel Academy.

Frank Howes spoke about FBA/Marching Band Coalition coexistence.

School Board was named as a School Board of Excellence and School Board for the Arts for the state of Florida. Polk County will be applying for the national award as a result.

Superintendent McKenzie was named superintendent of the year.

Superintendent's Fine Arts Festival – Saturday, May 3rd – Lake Mirror – All-Star Jazz Band

Jason Gibbs – Essential Elements Directors Communication Kit

Jason Gibbs – Velcro tape (Awana corporation)

Kevin Levine – thanked Chris Revett for doing a great job of hosting Central Florida Marching Band Festival.

New director introduction – Lisa Walker, Lake Wales High School

Jeff Cayer spoke about the middle school band symposium at Florida Southern College Oct. 26-27, 2007

Item 16: Next Meeting Date

January 15, 2008 @ Lakeland Christian School

5:30 p.m. dinner

6:00 p.m. meeting

Item 17: Adjournment

Samuels/O'Steen

Name of District Secretary:

Brad Wharton

Signature