



FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 72nd year

DISTRICT MEETING #4 MINUTES

(ver. 08-07)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 15	MEETING DATE: April 25, 2008
MEETING NUMBER: 4	LOCATION: Cypress Bay High School

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Called to order at 9:15 AM

We would like to thank Mr. Friedman, Mr. Travelsted, Mrs. Klein and the band parents of Cypress Bay High School for hosting this meeting and providing the organization with a wonderful breakfast.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Archbishop McCarthy High School	Rodriguez, Marcos
Cooper City HS	Schletter, Chris
Coral Glades HS	Larragoity, Ingrid
Coral Springs MS	Puccinelli, Luis
Cypress Bay HS	Friedman, Michael
Cypress Bay HS	Travelstead, Brian
Deerfield Beach HS	Auguste, Jean
Falcon Cove MS	Loew, Ian
Glades MS	Hennen, Aaron
Henry D. Perry MS	Collier, Gary
Hollywood Hills HS	Roque, Nelson
Indian Ridge MS	Brewer, Larry
J. P. Taravella HS	Williams, Cheldon
J. P. Taravella HS	Jenkins, Neil
Lyons Creek MS	Hammond, Jim
Millenium MS	D'mitrenko, Stan
North Broward Prep	Lupton, Ryan
Nova HS	Jefferson, Eric
Olsen MS	Scott, Emily
Piper HS	Kervens Jackson
Pompano Beach HS	Clark, Kristin
Ramblewood MS	Nista, John
Sawgrass Springs MS	Helm, Ron
Seminole MS	Roth, Jamie
Silver Trail MS	Rubio, Edgar
St. Thomas Aquinas	Bradford, Richard
University School of Nova SE	Walker, David
University School of Nova SE	Russo, Mike

Andrea Duque, Guest

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Motion Russo, second Nista to dispense with the reading of the previous minutes. **Motion passed**

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Motion Helm second Nista to dispense with the reading of the treasure's reports. **Motion passed**

Item 5: Announcements, etc.:

Nelson Roque from Hollywood Hills is engaged and will be moving to Orlando.

This is Jamie Roth's last meeting as chairman. Edgar Rubio, secretary, takes over as chairman for the next two years.

Item 6: Music Advocacy Issues with FBA and FSMA

Legislative Action Alert: April 24, 2008

Senate bill 1914 will be taken up by the full Senate on Friday, April 25, during their 10 am – 1 pm session. This is the bill that adds “or practical arts” to the high school fine arts graduation requirement. SB 1914 is similar to House Bill 7045, but 7045 does not contain the reference to practical arts.

ACTION NEEDED!

Given that there are a number of legislative actions that are possible, our message to senators needs to be simple: *Reference SB 1914 and say, “Keep the fine arts credit as it is! Do not allow practical arts to be added to this credit.”*

At this point, **phone calls** will be most effective means of communication to your senator. If you have already made a preliminary call, that's ok. Since the bill is going to the Senate floor – **another call** is appropriate. Scroll down for how to find the phone number for your senator – or links to your senator. If phone are set to voice mail – leave the message above. Should a voice mailbox be full – then email would be appropriate. (Please remember not to use school district emails for this purpose.)

You should be aware that the proponents of this action (Florida Association of Career and Technical Education) are hard at work with phone calls and emails attempting to persuade legislators of the need to add “or practical arts” to the fine arts credit. It's uncomfortable to be opposing fellow educators, but the proposed language leaves us little choice.

This is a crucial issue for all fine arts educators (music, visual art, theatre, dance). Please turnout calls from booster organizations, community supporters, parents, and fine arts supporters. The volume of calls that a senator receives from their own constituents for our position will matter!

Item 7: Unfinished Business

Complete adjudicator evaluation forms for Solo/Ensemble and Concert MPA's

Item 8: Committee Reports

none

Item 9: New Business

Site Selections for Next Year's Events:

Motion Walker second Russo for Seminole MS for All State Auditions. **Motion Passed**

All State Auditions: September 20, 2008 Site: Seminole Middle School

Motion Helm second Jenkins for Coral Springs High School for Marching MPA: **Motion Passed**

Marching MPA: November 1, 2008 Site: Coral Springs High School

Motion Rusnak second Helm for J.P. Taravella to host MS Jazz/HS Jazz/HS S&E: **Motion Passed**

MS Jazz/HS Jazz/HS S&E: February 19-21, 2009 Site: J.P. Taravella

Motion Rusnak second Nista for J.P. Taravella to host HS MPA: **Motion Passed**

HS Concert MPA: March 4-7, 2009 Site: JP Taravella

Motion D'Mitrenko second Jenkis for Ramblewood MS to host the North Site for MS S&E: **Motion Passed**

Motion Nista second Williams for Seminole MS to host the MS South Site: **Motion Passed**

**MS S&E: March 13-14, 2009 North Site: Ramblewood Middle School
South Site: Seminole High School**

Motion Scott second Nista for Deerfield Beach HS to host MS Concert MPA: **Motion Passed**
MS Concert MPA: April 22-25, 2009 Site: Deerfield Beach HS

Set Meeting Date and site for the school year:

Motion Schletter second Larragoity for Meeting #1 Saturday, August 23, 2008 @ 9:00 AM
Site:Cooper City HS **motion passed**

Motion Schletter second Williams for Meeting #2 Wednesday, October 15, 2008 @ 6:30 PM
Site: Coral Glades HS **motion passed**

Motion Schletter second Larragoity for Meeting #3 Wednesday, January 21, 2009 @ 1:00 PM
Site: Coral Springs City Center **motion passed**

Motion Scott second Helm for Meeting #4 Saturday, April 18, 2009 @ 9:00 AM
Site; Olsen MS **motion passed**

Item 10: District Adjudicators for Next School Year

Marching MPA

Music – Brian Wuttke
Music – TBA
M&M – TBA
GE – TBA
Auxiliary – Tanya Jackson

Jazz

J.B. Scott
TBA
TBA
Clinician- TBA
Clinician – TBA

HS Concert

Dr. Bently Shellhammer
Dr. Shelby Chipman
James Hacker
SR- Rodester Brandon

MS MPA

Randy Sonntag
James Hacker
Jason Duckett
SR Roger Faulman
SR Chuck Beutel

HS S&E

LC Coney
Paul Boren
Randy Sonntag
Don Bradley
Malena Calle
Cathi Libenger
Jennifer Frankenstein
Josh Bula
Addison Gilbert
Fred Kagi
Lee Harvey
Kathy Blaha
Tanya Jackson
Kara Sampson
Chris Martindale
Piano TBA

MS S&E

LC Coney
Jodi Wunsh
Randy Sonntag
Paul Boren
Erich Rivero
Don Bradley
Malena Calle
John Bixby
Cathi Leibenger
Jennifer Frankenstein
Josh Bula
Addison Gilbert
Roger Faulman
Joann Kinder
Robert Raabe

Fred Kagi
Kathy Blaha
Rick Miles
Kim Miles
WW- TBA
Lee Harvey
Manny Suarez
James Hacker
Gerry Hacker
Chuck Beutel
Kara Sampson
John McGallagher
Chris Martindale
Bruce Brazinsky
Jason Duckett

Item 11: Nominations for State MPA Adjudicators

Alan McMurry, University of Colorado
John Carmichael, University of South Florida
Kyle Prescott, Florida Atlantic University
Rebecca Phillips, University of South Carolina
Rob Ludlam,
Richard Cleary, Florida State University
Alfred Watkins

Item 12: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)

none

Item 13: Suggestions to State Committees

Our membership was very pleased with the number of middle school clinics at the FMEA conference. Many directors felt this conference was the first in many years that specifically addressed the middle school band room.

We would also like to see the middle school concert night stay as a regular part of the conference. Middle school bands do not have a place to play at the state level other than the mini concerts and those are limited to small groups such as the jazz band.

Suggestion to the clinics committee:

We would like to see a financial planning for young band directors and how to manage the stress of band directors.

We would like to see a clinic about how to manage the issue of fees in the high school band.

Item 14: Proposals to the Executive Board

none

Item 15: Correspondence

none

Item 16: For the Good of the Association

Dillard High School Jazz Band placed second at the Swing Central in Savannah, Georgia
Summer Convention: July 10-12, 2009 Altamonte Springs Hilton. Col. Arnold Gabriel will be conducting.
Coral Glades will be having a Concert on May 27 and May 28, 2008 titled COPE
Job Openings: Next Year:Hollywood Hills High School
State Dates: April 20-24, 2009
April 26-30, 2010
April 10-19, 2011

John Rusnak recommends charmsmusic.com for management of your band finances inventory etc...

Mr. Loew would like to thank Neil Jenkins for hosting the Japanese Band Concert and hopes some day a school from Broward County can go over there and perform.

We would like to thank Jamie for his four years as secretary and chairman.

James Hammond, Dana Cole, Brett Dawson are now National Board Certified Teachers

Item 17: Next Meeting Date

August 23, 2008 at Cooper City High School

Item 18: Adjournment

11:10 AM

Edgar Rubio

Secretary