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FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 72nd year

DISTRICT MEETING #2 MINUTES

(ver. 08-07)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 20	MEETING DATE: October 20, 2007
MEETING NUMBER: two	LOCATION: Key Largo Middle School

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks at 9:10 AM

Item 2: Members and Guests Present, Mentor Assignments

Carolyn Hutchinson (Florida Christian); Cathi Leibinger (Ransom Everglades Middle), R. Lee Johanson (Archbishop Curley Notre Dame High), Sarah Hamilton (Westminster Christian), Susan Bazin (Key Largo Middle), Jon Hamm (Ransom Everglades Upper), Bobby Keating (Gulliver Academy), Doug Jordan (Palmer Trinity), Eric Tindle (Westwood Christian), Derek Shute (Miami Christian) and Tim Hamilton (guest)

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes – dismissed (Leibinger, Hamm)

Item 4: Treasurer's Report – None

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues-FBA/FSMA

The FSMA website is an excellent resource for advocacy. Contact information for legislators is listed, as well as legislative alerts. There are also sample letters to help in responding to various legislative alerts. Everyone needs to get involved, parents included.

Item 6: All State Audition Review

Thanks to everyone for the All State audition process. Auditions went very well. Special thanks to Sal Vinciguerra and John Wicker for hosting the Dade site and to Stephen Whitfield for hosting in the Keys. We are a cooperative, hardworking group! Shawn sent regards as to our efficiency.

Item 7: Unfinished Business

Solo and Ensemble MPA / MPA Online Program

- The schedule currently on-line is merely a prototype. Carolyn will notify when list is accurate (probably by Monday morning). Don't use old list.
- You can print entry list accessed through the MPA online program at

<http://www.flmusiced.org/mpaonline/login.aspx>

- Please double check for accuracy. Notify Carolyn ASAP if there is a problem. Send email with entry number, name, instrument, and selection
- Title changes are due by Wednesday, October 24. You can make changes online directly. Just hit "modify" button. Please notify Carolyn by email.
- Personnel changes are not permitted.
- DNAs – notify Carolyn ASAP to facilitate rescheduling
- If necessary, a director can juggle within their own schedule.
- S & E repertoire list has been revamped. Grade levels may have changed. Go online to confirm deletions, changes, etc.

Solo-and-Ensemble Details

- Location: Gulliver Academy at 12595 Red Road on November 2nd and 3rd
- Six judges will be fully packed, 4PM-9PM on Friday and 9AM-7PM Saturday
- There will be no concession stand, but Bobby will provide food for judges including dinner Friday, lunch Saturday and water/snacks
- Student monitors will be available as guides
- If utilizing SmartMusic accompaniment, bring your own roll-and-go set up
- Proper etiquette is expected of participating students... use warm-up area, no playing outside of judges rooms, appropriate dress, etc.
- Equipment: Ransom and Gulliver Prep will provide larger percussion. Bring your own snare drum, handhelds, sticks, mallets. If you have a special request, please contact Bobby or Ron.

Item 8: Committee Reports

District 20 Honor Band

Site: Ransom Everglades Upper; 3575 Main Hwy

Date: January 18 - 19

Conductors: Roby George (middle school) - Mike Robinson (high school)

Entry Deadline: November 5

Fees: TBA

- Forms are due by November 5th or before. Send by fax, mail or email. High school nominations go to Doug (djordan@palmertrinity.org or fax 305-259-1121) and Middle school goes to Susan (bazins@monroe.k12.fl.us or fax 305-453-1248) Don't forget the color instruments and that high school will be performing grade 4 and grade 5 level music.
- Jon is organizing a rehearsal room and stage, as well as space for sectionals
- Bands will be larger this year approximately 80 students each
- Bus parking may be an issue. Please carpool if possible. If you're planning on a bus, please email Susan with how many busses you'll bring.
- Parking for concert may be very limited due to community events. We may issue a parking pass for parents and security will be on-site to facilitate. Jon will check on local events.
- Equipment needs will be bussed from Cathi's school
- A piano player is needed for one high school piece. Preferably someone from within another section will be pulled, especially since there are a couple of very talented pianists within the ranks.
- Lee will produce the program this year and shared a very nice lay-out at the meeting. It will list every player, every band, every director and possibly school administration. He will be reimbursed for expenses incurred. He needs a director biography and student lists. Susan and Doug will provide once finalized.
- Jon and Bobby are looking into DVD/CD production. If it is done by us, no other recording will be permitted. If parents are allowed to video, they will be asked to record from one particular area of the auditorium.
- Food will need to be provided on-site for students and judges
- Students need to bring their own music stand

Item 9: New Business

Request for reclassification from Coral Shores High School
Request for Archbishop Curley Notre Dame – exempt from Concert MPA

Item 10: MPA Dates and Sites

District Solo and Ensemble (Dade county division)

Site: Gulliver Academy; 12595 Red Rd.; Coral Gables
Date: Nov 2 and 3, 2007

District Solo and Ensemble (Monroe county division)

Site: TBA
Date: February 9, 2008

District Jazz Band MPA

Site: Ransom Everglades Middle School
Date: Thursday, February 22, 2008
Entry deadline: January 18th weekend (forms due on-line)

District Concert MPA

Site: March 13 at Florida Christian; March 14-15 at Coral Shores High
Date: Thursday - Saturday, March 13 - 15
Entry deadline: January 18th weekend (forms due on-line)

State Concert MPA

Location: North (TBA) and South (Vero Beach High)
Date: April 14-18, 2008

State S & E:

North: West Point High on April 7 – 9, 2008
South: JP Taravella High School on March 31 - April 2, 2008
Date: March 31 – April 2, 2008

Item 11: Nominations for Adjudicators List - none

Item 12: Suggestions to State Committees - none

Item 13: Proposals to the Executive Board - none

Item 14: Other

MPA On-Line: Oscar Samuelson from FSMA has been very helpful, but there are still issues. The program can be difficult to manipulate. What works in the program works great. What doesn't work is not great. Special time/date requests are difficult. As the first district to hold S & E, there were bound to be some glitches. Hopefully a streamline is in process.

Postmark for State MPA should be 10-14 days from District event. Dade schools hold S & E in November, but Keys schools hold it in February. Carolyn will check which date will be used to determine

entry deadline. According to the handbook, band participation is for overall superior ratings and solo/ensemble participation is for grade 5 or higher repertoire. Solo memorization will qualify for a superior-with-distinction.

Item 15: For the Good of the Association

South Florida Boys Choir hosts a free jazz workshop on January 23. Concert will feature Eric Darius, Gulliver Prep, Robert Morgan, and possibly Hialeah-Miami Lakes. Location: Dade County Auditorium starting 7PM or 8PM. Contact Bobby Keating for details.

The American Band College in Oregon provides exceptional clinics +/-or Master Degrees through a two week program in Oregon each summer. Two sessions span June 19 – July 4. Many band directors in our district are impressed by their class offerings and the exceptional format, including world reknown conductors and clinicians.

The ABA Convention is in Miami in early March. Please contact Cathi for details. Directors are encouraged to bring students and promote ticket sales.

March 4 Dos Amigos/Boston Brass master class and concert
at Random Everglades Upper School; \$20 - \$25 tickets

March 5 Univ of Miami and FAMU and Dos Amigos in concert
at University of Miami; \$10 tickets

March 6 Tennessee Tech and Univ of Florida and Boston Brass in concert
at University of Miami; \$10 tickets

March 7 US Army Field Band in concert (free)

March 7 Dos Amigos/Boston Brass master class and concert (Keys location)

Item 16: Next Meeting Date and Place

Thursday, January 10 at 5:15 upstairs lobby at Tampa Convention Center

Item 17: Adjournment

at 10:26

Name of District Secretary:

Susan Bazin

Signature: