



**FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 72<sup>nd</sup> year**  
**DISTRICT MEETING #3 MINUTES**  
(ver. 08-07)

<b>DISTRICT NUMBER: 21</b>	<b>MEETING DATE: January 14, 2008</b>
<b>MEETING NUMBER: 3</b>	<b>LOCATION: St. Augustine HS</b>

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

Jason Duckett 7:10pm. Thanks to Jack Pierson for his Jazz Clinic this evening.  
Thanks to Laura Beard for hosting and the St. Augustine HS Boosters for the meal.

**Item 2: Members and Guests Present**

Jason Duckett Rick Fowler, BTHS; Steve Knob, Matanzas; Bruce Scott, Indian Trails; Susan Morden, Buddy Taylor; David Morden, Elementary; Anna Cristodero, Lake Asbury MS; Winford Franklin, Clay HS; Josh Geary, St. Johns Country Day; Scott Forsythe, Menendez HS; Dean Cassels Buddy Ball, Flagler Palm Coast HS; Gus Perry, Retired; Courtney Coker, Fleming Island HS; Sarah Sacharski, Orange Park JH; Michael Johnson, Nease HS; Laura Beard, St. Augustine HS; Trista Philips, Murray MS; Jack Pierson, Retired and St. Augustine Jazz Society.

**Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes**

Ball/Morden. Stand as posted online.

**Item 4: Treasurer's Report**

Current balance: \$4,324.98 Assessments due on or before January 16!!!

**Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues**

Keep an eye on the FSMA and FBA websites, especially over the next 3 months!  
PE Credit is coming up. PLEASE make sure to check the website of FMEA and FSMA.

**Item 6: Communications**

None at this time

**Item 7: Unfinished Business**

Motion from Ball/Cassels about the FMBC and FSMA partnership and making the FBA Marching MPA optional was discussed at length at the December Board Meeting and was defeated. Some discussion took place about: One of the concerns from James Perry administratively is that many programs in the state compete. FMBC has done a great job promoting and organizing. So are we meeting the needs of our membership? Other bands go because they want to be ready for FBA, to see other bands, get some evaluation from adjudicators. But the concern is some bands go to 4-5-6-7 events outside of the FBA. How are we going to stop some of these administrators and band directors from doing this? FSMA wants what is best for kids, and want FBA to find a way to stop the overuse of the students. There is a committee and the issue is not dead on the table. The discussions continued to be heated at the state and district levels.

**Item 8: Committee Reports**

None at this time

## **Item 9: New Business**

Entry forms, disks, and assessment checks collected

MPA Online - Some solos are missing. This is NOT your fault, but falls on the shoulders of our beloved Chairman Jason. He tried to see if he could schedule the program, but some mishaps occurred. When he changed the event, it deleted the event AND all solos within that event. Oscar is working on this issue for us and it should be up and running in the next day or so. The registration deadline will be extended a day to make sure you have any additions in so they are all having a chance to perform at S&E.

You can do title changes on your own. If you do make changes, PRINT THEM OUT and BRING THEM WITH YOU so we know it is legit. We will send info as much as possible. We need to stay in communication with one another, so call us if you forget something, or you had a problem with the program, etc. We will work together IF WE KNOW there is a problem.

Solo & Ensemble Information:

Jazz Band- Feb 14 - 3pm is 1<sup>st</sup> band. 8pm is the last band.

Solo & Ensemble - Feb 15 and 16 – both are at Bartram Trail HS

Concert MPA Information:

Dates: March 6,7,8 2:30pm TH/F and 8:30am SAT (beginning times)

Site: Flagler Palm Coast HS

Other Info: We gave special requests to the best of our abilities to those who asked for a specific day. A preliminary schedule may be sent this week (so check to see if we have a conflict – MAJOR conflict!!)

## **Item 10: State MPA Dates and Sites**

State solo & ensemble - West Port High School, Ocala April 7-8-9

State concert MPA north will be at Bartram Trail on April 17 and 18!!!

## **Item 11: Election of Officers (if applicable)**

Cristodero/Knob – Jason Duckett for Chairman

Cristodero/Knob – Rick Fowler for Secretary

Voted by members present for *another* 2 year term.....

## **Item 12: District MPA Dates for Next Year**

Marching..... November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008

Solo Ensemble and Jazz.....Feb 13-14, 2009. Jazz will be the 12<sup>th</sup>

Concert.... March 5-7, 2009

The next meeting will have to discuss the possibility of splitting MS and HS MPA to 2 different weekends. We will crunch some numbers and be in communication with you over the next few months.

## **Item 13: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)**

None at this time

## **Item 14: Nominations for All-State Clinicians**

W. Dale Warren, University of Arkansas – 9-10 Concert Band or Middle School

Gary Sousa – University of Tennessee

Bruce Dinkins – James Bowie HS, Austin Texas

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

Clinics Committee - Many similar clinics at the same time. Many of the clinics were held in much smaller rooms. Difficult for teachers to go to the things they wanted.

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

(must be in the form of a motion)

None at this time

## **Item 16: Other**

None at this time

### **Item 17: For the Good of the Association**

Tommy Bledsoe – New Art Curriculum Coordinator for St. Johns County. Works with all Visual and Performing Arts as an advocate in the community and with the school board. Susan and David got married on December 29<sup>th</sup>.

### **Item 18: Next Meeting Date**

Monday April 28, 2008 meeting will be held at Murray Middle School.

### **Item 19: Adjournment**

Knob/All

### **Name of District Secretary:**

Rick Fowler

### **Signature:**