



**FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 73<sup>rd</sup> year  
DISTRICT MEETING #2 MINUTES**  
(ver. 08-08)

<b>DISTRICT NUMBER: 5</b>	<b>MEETING DATE: November 13, 2008</b>
<b>MEETING NUMBER: 2</b>	<b>LOCATION: River Ridge Middle/High School</b>

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

7PM Call to order. A special thanks to Rob Cook and Travis Henry for hosting the meeting and providing the meal.

**Item 2: Members and Guests Present**

Scott Leahy – RBSMS	Jeanne Kelckner – CHMS
Barbie Townsend – JLMS	Dean Donataccio – JLMS/WRMS
Tark Katzenmeyer – RHS	Rick Dasher – SHS
Richard Wohl – LOLHS	George DeGuzman – WRHS
Thomas Viking – SSMS	Bill Rutherford – GHS
Russel Schmidt – ZHS	Amy Wood – CENMS
Karen Crocco – Rushe MS	Raymond Diaz – Sunlake HS
Robert Cook – RRHS	Bruce Brazinski – Parrot MS
Everett Johnson – Central HS	Travis Henry – River Ridge MS
Mary Harvey – Wesley Chapel HS	Kathy Thompson – Challenger K8
Joe Harrin – Hernando HS	Brian York – Citrus HS

**Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes**

Minutes are posted on the FBA website. Motion to accept as posted. Schmidt/Rutherford

**Item 4: Treasurer's Report**

Curent Balance after all bills have been paid: \$609.59

We received \$4875 at the gate at MPA

This is down about \$400 from previous year.

- Discussion will continue throughout the year on how we can boost attendance at all MPA's/
- The money raised at MPA's help to offset the assessment costs for all schools.
- There was discussion about publicizing for MPA's, specificall Jazz since it is the next on coming up, and by the nature of the performance could draw a public audience.

Motion to accept treasurer's report. Brazinski/Crocco

**Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues**

Watch upcoming budget cuts very carefully from the State Legislature.

Make sure that you are well versed about the education laws in regards to the PE and Reading mandates. There are exceptions and waivers built into the language that can be use to help your programs if you are familiar with them.

It was suggested that advocacy articles in the magazines that we all get be copied and made available to your school administration.

## **Item 6: Communications**

Request from the following schools for reclassification.

Land O Lakes – C  
Wiregrass Ranch – C  
Gulf High – B  
Lecanto – B  
Pasco – CC  
Ridgewood – B  
Sunlake – C  
Central – B

Motion to accept all reclassification requests. Dasher/Brazinski

## **Item 7: Unfinished Business**

Solo and Ensemble MPA:

Date: February 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>

Site: Wesley Chapel High School

Entries done on-line and print the following forms:

- From S&E Screen: Entries List and Student Roster
- From Concert Screen: Roster for each band
- From Jazz Screen: Roster for each band
- From Main Screen: Assesment Form
- Any Special Permission Forms you received back from the music committee.

All forms and a check for assessment due to district chairman by: **January 13, 2009**. Remember that on the 15th day past the due date, entry forms will no longer be accepted.

High School Concert MPA:

Date: March 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>

Site: Wesley Chapel High

Middle School Concert MPA:

Date: April 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>

Site: Wesley Chapel High

## **Item 8: Committee Reports**

## **Item 9: New Business**

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

### **State S&E MPA**

North: March 30<sup>th</sup> – April 1<sup>st</sup> 2009, West Port High School, Ocala

South: April 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> 2009, Palmetto Ridge High School

### **State Concert MPA**

North: April 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009

South: April 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009 North Port High School

## **Item 11: Nominations for Adjudicators List**

## **Item 12: Suggestions to State Committees**

## **Item 13: Proposals to the Executive Board**

## **Item 14: Other**

## **Item 15: For the Good of the Association**

"Best Practices for Marching Band" was read and discussed at great length. The following statement is the viewpoint of District 5.

"As a district we believe that there should be NO number attached to the Position Paper. The paper itself is a good viewpoint and we should take the paper as written as our viewpoint. Leave it to the band director and their school administration to decide what defines the word "excessive". Every school demographic is different, therefore each school should be able to decide what's best for their program."

All directors MUST read their handbook in preparation for the upcoming MPA's. Please be familiar with the guidelines and rules associated with the event.

## **Item 16: Next Meeting Date**

January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at Wesley Chapel.

**Remember: ALL assessment forms and money is due at this time!!!!**

## **Item 17: Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn. Henry/Schmidt  
Meeting Adjourned at 8:03

## **Name of District Secretary:**

Respectfully Submitted on November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008

*Brian York*