



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

DISTRICT NUMBER: 6	MEETING DATE: Nov. 17, 2008
MEETING NUMBER: 2	LOCATION: Millennium MS

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Call to Order at 7:06PM

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Bottomley- Grace Kirby from Stetson University

Josh Langston- Millennium Middle School
Angelo Lindine – Milwee Middle
David Norona – Lake Mary High School
Paul Robinson- Pine Ridge
Monique McIntyre – Indian Trails Middle
Adam McIntyre - Winter Springs High
Bill Reinecke – SCPS
David Hedgecoth – Rock Lake Middle
Todd Leighton – Lake Howell High School
PI Malcolm – Seminole High School
Andrea Newhouse – Seminole High School
Bill Muse – Lyman High
Barry Sturms – New Smyrna Beach Middle
Marc Kolodinsky – Deltona High
Mike Williams – Silver sands
K. Valastyan – Cambell Middle
Kyle Ferland – Deltona Middle
Brian Sullivan – New Smyrna High
Cindy Berry – Lake Brantley High

Ted Shistle DeLand High School
Jeremy Williamson – Jackson Heights Middle
C. Simons – Ormond Beach Middle
Michael Butler Spruce Creek High School
Dennis Scaccia – Seabreeze High
Monty Musgrave - VCPS
Michelle Seth – Southwestern Middle

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Move to dispense with reading of minutes – Ferland. Second by Bottomley - PASSED

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Current Balance: \$2,297.90
Marching MPA Gate Receipts: \$12,952.00 (up from \$10,017 from last year)
Balance After Deposit; \$15,249.90

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

- ♪ All constitutional amendments that threatened the arts or educational funding were thrown out by the state Supreme Court.
- ♪ 50th No More! Florida is 50th nationally in funding and that is unacceptable. We should all be involved in asking questions as to why we are not a top ten state for funding.

Item 6: Communications

Item 7: Unfinished Business

HS JAZZ MPA: Thursday, Feb. 5, Lake Brantley HS

HS S&E MPA: Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7, Lake Brantley HS

MS JAZZ MPA: Friday, February 20, Markham Woods MS

MS S&E MPA: Friday-Saturday, February 20-21, Markham Woods MS

HS CONCERT MPA: Thursday-Saturday, March 5-7, Winter Springs HS & New Smyrna Beach HS

MS CONCERT MPA: Thursday-Saturday, March 26-28, Lake Howell HS

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: Assessment Form
- Any Special Permission Forms you received back from the music committee.

*All forms and a check for assessment due to district chairman by **Tuesday, Jan. 20** (at the 3rd FBA District Meeting). Remember that on the 15th day past the due date, entry forms will no longer be accepted.*

MPA Adjudicators

HS Jazz: Gary Langford, Jose Lopez, Bill Prince

HS S&E: Jose Lopez, Bill Prince, Jeanie Berry, Missie Ellis, Chuck Beutel, Roanna Combs, Michelle Fernandez-Denlinger, Barbara Fultz, David Fultz, Jane Lucas, Jeff Moore, Sue Nicholson, Susuan Watford, Phil Wharton

MS Jazz: Mark Ellis, Al Hager, John Almeida

MS S&E: Bob Allen, Buddy Ball, Shawn Barat, Chuck Beutel, Amy Bradley, Owen Bradley, Roanna Combs, Marianne Flanagan, Mickey Gautney, Al hager, Mark Lussier, Linda Mann, John McGallagher, George Walters, Phil Wharton, Charles Watford

HS Concert: Richard Davenport, Joe David, Don Reynolds, TBA

MS Concert: Tim Douglass, Asa Jernigan, Tina Laferriere, Jim Matthews

Item 8: Committee Reports

none

Item 9: New Business

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

- ♪ Atlantic HS: from B to C
- ♪ Lake Mary HS: from A to BB
- ♪ Mainland HS: from BB to C
- ♪ New Smyrna Beach HS: from A to BB
- ♪ Pine Ridge HS: from A to B
- ♪ Seabreeze HS: from BB to C

All requests to reclassify were approved by secret ballot vote.

Item 10: State MPA Dates and Sites

State S&E MPA

North: March 30-April 1, 2009 West Port High School Ocala

South: April 6-8, 2009 Palmetto Ridge High School Naples

State Concert MPA

North: April 20-24, 2009 Ft. Walton Beach and University of Florida

South April 20-24, 2009 North Port High School

Item 11: Nominations for Adjudicators List

none

Item 12: Suggestions to State Committees

Item 13: Proposals to the Executive Board

(must be in the form of a motion)

Discussion on the Executive Board motion: Limit the number of Marching Band Field Evaluations to a total of four per school year, one of which must include Florida Bandmasters Association Marching Music Performance Assessment. High Schools that do not comply with this requirement will not be eligible to participate in any other FBA events for the remainder of the school year.

DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION:

- ✓ Middle School Directors have a vested interest in this issue.
- ✓ Those who do not compete must be aware that competition is a big issue around the state.
- ✓ Background information was given about this issue for the benefit of new directors.
- ✓ Concern was expressed as to how to legislate this issue
- ✓ This could be an ethical and divisive issue.
- ✓ Is this issue a problem in other states as well?
- ✓ Everything in moderation - the number of bands that this motion would effect is small.
- ✓ Can FBA legislate this issue?
- ✓ There is a Marching Band best practices document from FBA that gives suggestions for what a band can/should do.
- ✓ This entire discussion stems from Principals and Superintendents seeking knowledge about what are reasonable expectations in a marching program.
- ✓ Marching band best practices for marching band was passed out (from FBA Handbook).
- ✓ Perhaps each district should form a committee to look into the issue as it applies to the district.
- ✓ A possible response from the district: Have the executive board construct a comprehensive best practices guideline for directors – the focus to return to concert band-and reflect what should be going on in the classroom throughout the year.
- ✓ What is being offered by these other competitions that FBA is not offering?
- ✓ This has brought about discussion of how the FBA uses and obtains judges (using the FBA philosophy).
- ✓ FSMA should answer this question – however very few music educators are on this board.

District voted for Chairman to vote no on the above motion at the Executive Board meeting. There were several unresolved concerns.

Item 14: Other

Item 15: For the Good of the Association

- ♫ Read your handbook for changes to rules about Auxiliary MPA solos and time limits.
- ♫ FMEA Clinic Conference, Jan.7-10, 2009, Tampa Convention Center
 - Online Registration is now available (need Membership number and Login Info to register)

There is a good chance that our assessment will increase for this year. This is due to the change in the overall FBA budget formula

Item 16: Next Meeting Date

Tuesday, Jan. 20, Millennium MS

Item 17: Adjournment

Move to adjourn by Guthrie

Second by Scacia

PASSED