



FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 73rd year DISTRICT MEETING #2 MINUTES

DISTRICT NUMBER: 7	MEETING DATE: Oct 17, 2008
MEETING NUMBER: 2	LOCATION: Carrollwood Culture Center

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm by Brian Dell at the Carrollwood Cultural Center

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Adams Middle School	Nancy Barlar	Mulrennan Middle School	Michael Vail
Alonso High School	Ken Norton	Orange Grove Middle Sch.	Darlene Diaz
Armwood High School	Lauren Howe	Pierce Middle School	Harry Williamson
Blake High School	John Dupuis	Plant High School	Robert Schoos
Bloomington High School	Jon Sever	Rampello Middle (K-8)	Donnie Hero
Brandon High School	Melanie Driscoll	Randall Middle School	Cyndi Burchfield
Buchanan Middle School	Andrew Krupski	Riverview High School	John Davis
Burnett Middle School	Lynn Putnam	Robinson High School	Jeremy Klein
Burns Middle School	Kevin Lewis	Shields Middle School	Doug Westlake
Chamberlain High School	Bruce Herrmann	Sligh Middle School	Nadia Bangash
Coleman Middle School	Chris Dunn	Smith Middle School	Cynthia Starling
Daidsen Middle School	Kassandra Thayer	Stewart Middle School	Bethe Amato
Durant High School	Dan Dubay	Tampa Bay Tech High	Katie Norton
East Bay High School	Tony Ambrose	Terrace Community M.S.	Ruth Morris
Eisenhower Middle School	Brian Schank	Tomlin Middle School	Stephanie Wright
Farnell Middle School	Aaron Trkovsky	Turkey Creek Middle Sch.	Tom Green
Freedom High School	Michael Barrineau	Van Buren Middle School	Willie Snipes
Gaither High School	Brian Dell	Walker Middle School	Rebekkah Norton
Greco Middle School	Shane Bowser	Webb Middle School	Thomas McNair
Hill Middle School	Rick Sylvester	Wharton High School	Jason Allgair
Jennings Middle School	Chris Lundquist	Wilson Middle School	Kristy Dell
Lennard High School	Kelly Montero	Young Middle School	Amanda Lauletta
Leto High School	Nicole Conte	Supervisor	Ted Hope
Liberty Middle School	Anthony Miller	University of South Florida	John Carmichael
Madison Middle School	Phil Verpil	University of South Florida	John Schnettler
Mann Middle School	Kevin Fuller	Carrollwood Cultural Center	Helen Michaelson
Martinez Middle School	Michelle Barber		
McLane Middle School	Adam Radwanski		
Memorial Middle School	Alan Gonzalez		
Middleton High School	Rondal Russell		

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

The previous minutes are posted on the FBA website under "Districts"
Minutes stand as posted

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

There is currently \$2,842 in the bank.

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

Make sure you vote in the upcoming election.

Item 6: Communications

none

Item 7: Unfinished Business

Solo and Ensemble MPA:

Date: Feb 20-21

Site: Alonso West, Newsome East

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: **January 23, 2009**.

Remember that on the 15th day past the due date, entry forms will no longer be accepted.

HS Concert MPA:

Date: March 6 & 7, 13 & 14

Site: King HS

MS Concert MPA

Date: March 30, April 1

Site: Leto West, Bloomingdale East

Oliver Hobbs Award – Kevin Lewis

Tom Bishop - Willie Snipes

Item 8: Committee Reports

Jazz: Ken Norton- At this time you will be paid \$500 for one band only. You can still bring more than one band for assessment. The fair is only paying a donation for one group per school.

Marching MPA: \$100 fine for MS directors not working at MPA

Jon Sever Marching MPA-

There will be a warm-up area for pit.

There will be plenty room in stands due to the A and B blocks. You will have seating arrangements.

Please support Bloomingdale concessions. Please do not bring picnic/coolers into the stadium for your students.

HS students in A block can come back to watch B and get in free with a current band shirt on.

No cadences at the end of performance and ceremony. Everyone should exit in the same way.

MS can get in for free with their band shirt on. Andrew Krupski will make a flier to send out.

Item 9: New Business

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

Schools with letters:

HS

Alonso, Armwood, Brandon, East Bay, Freedom, Plant City, Riverview, TBT, Jefferson, Wharton

Motion- Chris Dunn/ Second- Michael Barrineau. PASSED

MS

Shields- Request denied. You cannot reclassify to MD

Tomlin, Cambridge- Motion- Brian Schank/ Second- Cynthia Starling. PASSED

Item 10: State MPA Dates and Sites

S&E North – March 30-April 1 @ West Port HS in Ocala
South – April 6-8 @ Palmetto Ridge HS in Naples

MPA North – April 20-24 @ Ft Walton Beach HS and UF
South April 20-24 @ North Port HS in Ft Myers

Item 11: Nominations for Adjudicators List

If you need the paperwork for being an adjudicator contact Dell.

Brian Dell for S&E percussion and Marching percussion, Music, M&M –
Kristy Dell/Kassandra Thayer - PASSED.
Michelle Barber for S&E woodwinds –
Nancy Barlar/Andrew Krupski - PASSED.
Donnie Hero for S&E percussion and Marching percussion
Dan Dubay/ Nicole Conte - PASSED.

Item 12: Suggestions to State Committees

S&E Special Request due by Dec 1. Submit copy of music with form (found on FBA website)

Item 13: Proposals to the Executive Board

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.

Motion: Ken Norton/Second: Willie Snipes- District VII does not support the Executive Board Motion to limit the number Marching Events that schools may participate in each year - PASSED **UNANIMOUSLY**.

Discussion:

- Not a Band Director/FBA issue, Administrator issue.
- Administrators are trying to pass the responsibility of saying “no” off onto others. If they don’t want their school to do as many competitions they need to tell the director no.
- John Carmichael, USF- Biggest issue- Find out how much money is spent and you would have a more accurate idea of how to regulate. FBA cannot regulate good teaching practices; that is the principal’s job. Look at the overall band program; Marching, Concert, Solo and Ensemble and give an overall award based on philosophical ideas. There is no benefit to limiting the number of performances. There is also no benefit to FBA dissolving its role and handing it over to FMBC.
- Why is FBA going after people who are doing too much? What about the ones doing NOTHING? The FBA directors doing nothing are doing a disservice to FBA and to music education. Something should be done about that.
- Why can’t Marching band be alienated with the FHSAA regarding the number hours spent per week rehearsing – principals understand those rules when it comes to sports?
- Why doesn’t FSMA take control over this? This is not a FBA issue. If administrators are coming to FSMA, then they should do something about it.
- Who regulates this if this passes? District chairs – they are already over worked! Why should they be the bad guy and penalize a band? When actually the kids suffer, not the director. The director should be penalized, not the program.
- This could possibly cause a division among bands in Florida and potentially FBA could lose money from assessments.
- What about the concert bands that rehearse more than marching bands, spend more money than marching bands, and perform/travel more? Are they being looked at as well? Is there going to be a penalty for that? Limitations should be consistent across the Band Program spectrum = Balance

Item 14: Other

Item 15: For the Good of the Association

Chris Dunn- MS Band directors bring your instrument to the Friday All-County rehearsal if you want to participate in a recording session of Grade I and II literature. If you are interested contact Chris Dunn.

Jeremy Klein- All-County- concerns or questions let us know. Please make sure that All-State and Master Musicians have a quality recording. Contact me Jeremy if you need help recording.

Ted Hope-

- Florida Southern Band Symposium for MS directors on 11/14 see Ted right away if interested.
- MS directors- find out who does bus reservations at your school. You must reserve them 14 days in advance.
- HS directors- let Ted know ASAP about text books needed for new courses.
- Hall of Fame- Frank Caperreto of Jefferson HS will be inducted on 10/25 at Marching MPA.

Item 16: Next Meeting Date

January 23, 2009 at King HS at 6pm

Item 17: Adjournment

2:35 pm- Starling/Hermann

Name of District Secretary:

Michelle Barber

Signature