



FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 73rd year
DISTRICT MEETING #1 MINUTES
(ver. 08-08)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 9	MEETING DATE: August 16, 2008
MEETING NUMBER: 1	LOCATION: Northeast High School

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Gregory Urban at 6:10PM
Introductions of District Members

Item 2: Members and Guests Present, Mentor Assignments

<i>Greg Urban – Northeast High</i>	<i>Bryan T. Braue – Clearwater High</i>
<i>Jason Foster – St. Petersburg High</i>	<i>Chris Touchton – Southside Fundamental Middle</i>
<i>Robin Benoit – Largo Middle</i>	<i>Chris Benoit – Largo High</i>
<i>Katherine Laursen – Largo High</i>	<i>Madeline Dunsizer – Osceola Middle</i>
<i>David Taliarini – Madiera Beach Middle</i>	<i>Shawna Grimes – Kennedy Middle</i>
<i>Jeff Bowen – Meadowlawn Middle</i>	<i>Karen Whitley – Northside Christian</i>
<i>Max Bygrave – Azalea Middle</i>	<i>Troy White – Bay Pointe Middle</i>
<i>Jack Henderson – Pinellas Park High</i>	<i>Stephen Whitely – Pinellas Park Middle</i>
<i>Calista Zebley – Coachman Fundamental Middle</i>	<i>Melodye Pizzaro – Fitzgerald Middle</i>
<i>James Dykes – Dunedin High</i>	<i>Eric Krause – Thurgood Marshall</i>
<i>Ben Futoran – Indian Rocks Christian</i>	<i>Josette Harris – Dixie Hollins High</i>
<i>Paul Rayius – Osceola Middle</i>	<i>Chad Guess – Seminole Middle</i>
<i>Frank Williams – Boca Ciega High</i>	<i>Don Edwards – Osceola High</i>

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Jason Foster motions to waive the reading of previous minutes, Chris Touchton seconds: MOTION PASSES

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

End of Past Year's Statement: \$7,853.75
Proposed Current Year Budget: \$43,410.00 (See Attached Detailed Copy)
Changes in mileage voted on at Summer Convention Executive Meeting
Additional \$500 is also in our account according to Madeline Dunsizer

Item 5: Next Meeting Date and Place

November 19th at Clearwater High School 6:30PM Dinner, 7:00PM Meeting

Item 6: Music Advocacy Issues-FBA/FSMA

FSMA – Greg Urban
PowerPoint Presentation from Jeanne Reynolds
6.62% is cut out of the state education budget
Details and Discussion of Amendments #5, #7, #9
#5 has been put on hold, be vigilant as it will go to the Supreme Court!

PCMEA Report-Dave Tagliarini
Chris Benoit – High School Representative
Chris Touchton – Middle School Representative

Item 7: Announcements

FMEA Awards Nomination forms are in the Florida Music Director Magazine.

Item 8: Communications/Distribution of Packets

Packets were handed out at the beginning of meeting. Be sure to check your dates and schedule wisely!!

Item 9: Unfinished Business

Middle School MPA Dates – Jeanne Reynolds has asked that we change these due to FCAT

Robin Benoit motions to have middle school MPA April 21 and 22: MOTION PASSES

Chris Benoit: Shawn Anderson will host North Site Pending Letter

Jack Henderson will host South Site Pending Letter

Item 10: Committee Reports

Adjudication Committee: Greg Urban

We still need judges in the following categories: See item 13 in agenda.

Item 11: New Business

Membership Dues & Enrollment Forms:

Due September 1st, earlier if you want uninterrupted FMEA and MENC magazine delivery.

****STUDENTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO AUDITION FOR ALLSTATE IF BAND DIRECTOR IS NOT AN FBA MEMBER.**

Send to: FMEA, or PAY DUES ON-LINE AT www.flmusiced.org

FSMA school dues payment (To FSMA by September 15)

Classification Forms: Due **October 3** to the District Chairman. Principal and Director Signature Required!!

Report the enrollment of your ENTIRE SCHOOL, not just your band program.

Senior High: Report grades 9, 10, 11, 12 or 10, 11, 12 as appropriate

Junior High: Report Grades 7, 8, and 9 (unless you plan to not use any 7th graders in any phase of MPA, then only count 8th and 9th graders)

Middles School: Report Grades 7 and 8 only

FINE: \$50.00 for submitting this form late (Payable to FBA) \$100.00 on the 8th calendar day after the deadline.

Form is on the FBA website: www.flmusiced.org/fba

All State Auditions: (Forms are in August Bulletin and on www.flmusiced.org/fba)

Site: *Madiera Beach Middle School (Pending Letter)*

Date: *September 13th, 2008*

Deadline: *August 28th, 2008*

Fees: \$20.00 per student per entry (Checks must come from your school or booster group)

LATE FINES: \$50.00 for submitting forms late (Payable to FBA) \$100.00 on the 8th calendar day after the deadline. Band director must be a member of FMEA/FBA by September 1 in order to have students audition for all-state.

Small School Honors Band: and 7-8th Grade Honor Band Nomination:

Forms are in August Bulletin and on www.flmusiced.org/fba

Completed forms and fees should be sent to the respective chairman whose name and address are on the form.

Marching Band MPA:

Date: *November 8th, 2008*

Site: *Clearwater High School (Pending Letter)*

Entry Form Due Date (to district chairman): *October 15th, 2008*

No assessment money collected at this time.

Assistance needed from Middle School/Junior High Directors!!!

**Robin Benoit and Dave Taglarini will send their bands to play the National Anthem. Chris Touchton will email the remaining middle school directors to ask for volunteer students from their schools to participate.*

Nominations for the Oliver Hobbs Award (see latest “Florida Bandmaster”):

*Chris Benoit – Largo High School (Nomination) Katherine Laursen 1st
James Dykes 2nd*

*Chad Guess – Seminole Middle School (Nomination) James Dykes 1st
Chris Touchton 2nd*

Secret Ballot: Chris Benoit Passes

Nominations for the Tom Bishop Award (see latest “Florida Bandmaster”):

*Greg Urban – Northeast High School Nomination Chris Touchton 1st
James Dykes 2nd*

No Ballot: PASSES

Item 12: District MPA Dates and Sites

Solo and Ensemble MPA (MS/HS): *PCCA February 20th & 21st (Pending Letter)*

Jazz Band MPA (MS/HS): *Dunedin High School February 28th (Pending Letter)*

***St. Petersburg High School and Osceola High School as back-up site if needed*

Concert (HS): *PCCA March 19th, 20th, & 21st (Pending Letter)*

Concert (MS): *Northeast High School and East Lake High School April 20th, 21st. (Pending Letter)*

Item 13: District MPA Adjudicators

Marching: *Howard Weinstein Charles Watford
Chris Bonner (pending) Jeremy Vest
Penny Janowski Need: Marching/Maneuvering*

Solo/Ensemble: *Rob Raabe John Eckman
Kathy Johnson David Coash
Lee Ponder Need Many More!!
John Acosta*

Jazz Band: *Jeff Cayer Jeff Rupert (Clinician from UCF)
Jeff Phillips Tom Brantley (Clinician from USF)
Al Hager University of South Florida (Exhibition)*

HS Concert: *Howard Weinstein Jason Duckett
Mark Nelson Kathy Thompson (Sight-Reading)*

MS Concert: *Due to date changes, we need to get a full panel.*

Item 14: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)

*Madeline Dunsizer: Everything except Jazz Robin Benoit 1st
James Dykes 2nd*

*Steve Cantin: M/M and Marching Music James Dykes 1st
Karen Whitely 2nd*

*John Fulton: Everything except Auxiliary Greg Urban 1st
Robin Benoit 2nd*

*Frank Williams: Jazz ONLY Greg Urban 1st
Robin Benoit 2nd*

*Chad Guess: Everything including Auxiliary Madeline Dunsizer 1st
James Dykes 2nd*

*Greg Urban: Everything except Auxiliary and Jazz James Dykes 1st
Jeff Bowen 2nd*

ALL PASS

Item 15: Suggestions to State Committees

Music Committee (before Oct 1st for Concert titles, Dec 1st for S/E):

Concern on the amount of music on the FBA List that is out of print – Robin Benoit

Clinics Committee: (before Oct 1):

Ryan Nelson from Northwestern University – James Dykes

Other:

Wording and vocabulary of marching assessment needs to have a better standard throughout the state.

It's not the system, it is the quality of the training these judges go through – Frank Williams, James Dykes

Calendar on the FBA Website, both at a district and state level – Frank Williams

Item 16: Proposals to the Executive Board

None

Item 17: Correspondence

None

Item 18: For the Good of the Association

Review the marching band etiquette guidelines that were prepared by Martha Stark and published in the FBA handbook.

Remember that each director is responsible for knowing the rules, policies, and guidelines published in the FBA handbook.

Frank Williams: Jazz Program at Ruth Eckerd Hall is really going well. Scholarship opportunities are available and they get to interface with great Jazz Musicians. There are auditions but everyone is accepted, auditions are used as a basis for scholarship. More information is posted at the Ruth Eckerd Hall website.

Motion to have Madeline Dunsizer as a treasurer for our district: MOTION PASSES

Item 19: Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn - Jeff Bowen

Second - Jason Foster

Name of District Secretary:

Bryan T. Braue

Signature:

Bryan T. Braue