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

DISTRICT NUMBER: 11	MEETING DATE: August 23rd, 2008
MEETING NUMBER: 1	LOCATION: Carlos E. Haile Middle School

ITEM NO. 1: CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Call to Order at 10:00 AM
 Thank you to Danny Boyd for hosting.

ITEM NO. 2-- ROLL CALL, Introduction of New Directors/Guests, assign mentors.

Members in Attendance

Jim Bruce	Manatee HS
Linda Boone	Manatee HS
Daniel Boyd	Haile MS
Luis Alvarez	DeSoto HS
Jose Lopez	Port Charlotte HS
Jonathan Case	Venice HS
Jay DuBois	Charlotte HS
Cindy Balistreri	Sarasota County School
Lenny Balestreri	Riverview HS
Keith Stark	Sarasota MS
Mark Spreen	Riverview HS
Mark Cole	North Port HS
Marina Pope	Brookside MS
Don Katson	Punta Gorda MS
Frank Gooch	Jazz Club of Sarasota
Kim Evans	King MS
Chuck Evans	Riverview HS
Bill Perrine	Booker HS
Lorianne Keeney	Manatee HS
Kendall Carrier	Braden River HS
Kay Dubbert	Murdock MS
Chad Guess	Lakewood Ranch HS
Alan R Klispie	CCPS
Les Kraus	Port Charlotte MS

Norm Vagn	Riverview HS
Bob Schaer	Lakewood Ranch HS
Victor Mongillo	Pine View School
JD Roseboom	Sarasota HS
Tim Ostrow	LA Ainger MS
Melissa Dweck	Sarasota HS
Chris Daige	McIntosh MS
Paul Henry	Manatee SOTA
Amy Bradley	Lee MS
Owen Bradley	North Port HS
Tim Hamand	Gulette School
Kathy Hamand	Gulette School
Jim Byrne	Harlee MS
Aaron Stone	Palmetto HS
Ron Lambert	Southeast HS
Larry Kramer	Lee MS
Jamie Marshall	Saint Stephen's
Julie Duryea	Braden River MS
Ron Porch	Community Christian
Shane Ainsworth	Lemon Bay HS

Thank you to Donna DeTeresa, Fundraising Consultant, Entertainment Publications, INC for breakfast. Ms. DeTeresa shared a district-wide fundraiser selling Entertainment Books in which it would provide each band program 50% of the profit. The district would have to sell at least a combined 1100 books. In addition, she handed flyers offering other types of fundraisers available for each individual band program.

Thank you to Sharie Schultz from Keyboards and More. Ms. Schultz provided the district with flyers which contained information on the importance of music education. She asked that these flyers be passed to school administrators.

Frank Gooch from the Sarasota Jazz Club discussed the future High School Jazz Festival which will take place at Sarasota High School's auditorium on January 31. There will be no entry fee and free lunch will be provided. JD Roseboom further explained the advantages

Jazz club introduces High School Jazz Festival on Jan 31. No entry fee, Free lunch. At Sarasota HS auditorium. JD adds about the advantage to hear from professionals, dry run for SE on the stage. Norm and Greg added about the commenting on stage; necessary for the venue. Kendall suggested to have clinic in other room with a judge. Jim suggested to opt out of live comments to avoid embarrassing. Possibly unmic to avoid projection to the audience. Deadline for entry October 1. Norm Vaughn is the conduit for the deadline. Norm will send out information. ggarrett1313@msn.com Gooch will leave on hand Jazz newsletter.

ITEM NO. 3.-- READING OF PREVIOUS MINUTES *(NOTE: It is not necessary to have a motion and vote; If there are no objections or changes to the previous minutes, they stand approved as distributed.*

ITEM NO. 4.-- TREASURER'S REPORT

End of Past Year's statement is in your packet. Keith Stark presented the proposed current year budget. Since Sarasota HS is hosting S&E, JD Roseboom requested financial help with the cost of piano rental. Keith stated that 1400.00 was budgeted for such event in the current budget.

ITEM NO. 5.-- ADVOCACY ISSUES WITH FBA AND FMEA

Cindy Balistreri, Fine Arts Program Specialist, The School Board of Sarasota County presented the district with the issues that pose a threat to music education. As a representative of the FMEA, she brought a few key issues that the district must be aware of. She stated that the FMEA has organized a group of realtors, businessmen and others, along with James Perry to interview each person running for state office to see where each person stands on fine arts education. She also stated that there are constitutional amendments in the upcoming elections that the FMEA urges a NO vote:

- **Eliminating State Required School Property Tax and Replacing with Equivalent State Revenue -- Amendment #5**
- **Religious Freedom -- Amendment #7**
- **Public Funding of Education -- Amendment #9**

Cindy will be emailing every one a copy of the amendments with further explanation why the FMEA urges a "no" vote.

ITEM NO. 6.-- COMMUNICATIONS, DISTRIBUTION OF PACKETS

Jim Bruce distributed packets a each band director in attendance which included a director's checklist and district calendar. Directors please make sure to follow the deadlines in order to avoid late fees.

Jim stated that MPA online is not flexible. After the deadline, MPA online will lock and every one who has missed the deadline must request Jim to open MPA online. Once the system has been reopened it will automatically charge any late fees.

MPA Online: Instructions for using MPA Online are on the FBA web site. Go to the home page, scroll over "For Directors," scroll over "Technology," click on "MPA Online." The URL to access the "MPA Online" login page is: <http://www.flmusiced.org/mpaonline/login.aspx>
You do not need to re-register if you registered last year.

FMEA/FBA membership dues are due by September 1.

September 5 is the due date for the all-state audition applications. We need one sheet for each band for which students are auditioning, and include a participating contract for each person auditioning. Submit the contracts with the applications. The auditions will take place at Sarasota HS on Saturday September 20. The audition fee is now \$20 per audition (see committee reports below)

All small school and 7-8 honor band applications need to be sent to the person listed on the form. Also include participation contracts.

**Please send all communications to Jim Bruce's HOME address:
6202 - 35th Ave West, Bradenton, 34209**

ITEM NO. 7.-- UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Board proposals from previous Board meetings to be considered
(Auxiliary proposals will be discussed by Linda Boone under committee reports)
Rules, Policies, Procedure Changes - District and State

In effort to "Go Green" the bulletins will only be posted on the FBA web site as they have been in the past. You may request a hard copy by emailing or calling Duane Hendon.

Beginning July 31, 2009, any adjudicator not currently certified nor current with their recertification must complete the appropriate seminar, or their name will be removed from the adjudicators list. From that point forward, the list will be updated annually on July 31 to remove the names of adjudicators who are not in compliance

Changes for Section III.E.c.2 in the By-Laws concerning Concert MPA:

1. The director who will conduct the march has three minutes to study...
2. The director who will conduct the concert selection has five minutes to study...
3. Only the director who will conduct the band may instruct the students during the preparation time prior to the performance of each piece.

The Otto J. Kraushaar Award requirements have been changed. Now reads: presented to Senior High School Bands for achieving Superior ratings from all adjudicators and an overall rating of

Superior in District Marching and Concert, State Concert and Sight-reading Music Performance Assessments.

Changes in the classification in the Sight Reading Music Class to be:

Middle School:

Class MA-Reads-MA, MB

Class MB-Reads-MA,MB

Class MC-Reads-MC (handbook has MC/MD)

Class MD-Reads-MD (handbook has MC/MD)

Roll of Distinction concert at Stetson University on November 15 for Henry Fillmore.

Hall of Fame concert at Stetson on November 16 for Phil Wharton and John Gorecki.

Jim Bruce presented a proposal being discussed at the FBA board meetings which proposes a limit of competition that a marching band can perform during the fall semester. Mark Spreen – The members of the FBA presented “The Best Practice” paper which is inline with the philosophy of the FBA. This was brought forward by administrators had concerned on the number of hours spent on multiply of marching events and the possible exploitation of student. Members of the district discussed the ramification of this issue. Jim explained that the purpose of this meeting was to gather each concern to present to the board at the next meeting. He further explained that the issues, before it takes effect, would need to be voted by the entire FBA membership before going into affect. The discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

ITEM NO. 8.-- COMMITTEE REPORTS

Linda Boone, Auxiliaries Committee Chair

She read the changes made to existing requirements:

- Dance solos are now a minimum of 1 minute and 45 seconds with a maximum of 3 minutes.
- Performers will be allowed to perform two equipment solos, provided that the equipment is different, that the solo guidelines are met, and that the overall limit on number of solos/ensemble is not exceeded.

She also stated there is a need for more auxiliary adjudicators.

Greg Nielsen - Recording Committee

The cost of recording at all-state auditions have increased. Greg asked for an increase of \$5 to the audition fee per student in order to cover the cost.

Motion to increase the audition fee per student to \$20 Boone/A Bradley Motion Passed.

ITEM NO. 9.-- NEW BUSINESS

Membership Dues & Enrollment Forms are due on September 1.

- **STUDENT WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO AUDITION FOR ALL STATE IF BAND DIRECTOR IS NOT AN FBA MEMBER.**
- Send to: **FMEA, or PAY DUES ON-LINE AT www.flmusiced.org**
 - Amount: Active - \$112.00; Includes MENC/FMEA (Required). (See Enrollment Form for others)
 - Check payable to: **FMEA send to: 402 Office Plaza Dr., Tallahassee, 32309**

FSMA school dues payment (to FSMA by September 15)

Classification Forms are on due October 1st to Jim Bruce.

The forms must include principal and Director signature.

- Senior High - Report grades 9,10,11,12 or 10, 11, 12 as appropriate.
- Junior High - grades 7, 8, 9 (Unless you plan to not use any 7th graders in any phase of MPA, then count only 8th & 9th grade)
- Middle School - grades 7 & 8 only
 - **FINE - \$ 50.00 for submitting this form late.** (Payable to FBA)
 - **\$100.00 on the 8th calendar day after the deadline.** (Payable to FBA)

All-State Auditions

Auditions will be held at Sarasota High School on September 20th.

- **DEADLINE:** Application forms due to Jim Bruce by September 5th
- (Forms were in August Bulletin and on web site)
- Fee: **\$20.00** for Audition (per audition not students)
- Eligibility: 7th & 8th Grade Band - grades 7& 8
- Senior High Bands - grades 9, 10 - Concert Band, grades 11, 12 - Symphonic Band
 - **FINE - \$ 50.00 for submitting this form late.** (Payable to FBA)
 - **\$100.00 on the 8th calendar day after the deadline.** (Payable to FBA)

AUDITION MONITORS!

Please sign up to help. Remember, you are required to be in attendance at the auditions while your students are there.

All-State Jazz Band Auditions

Be sure you are aware of additional requirements for this audition (available online)

Schedule for Auditions will be sent as soon as possible.

Be sure to let Jim Bruce know if your students must audition in the morning or the afternoon only. Ordinarily, HS auditions will be scheduled in the afternoon because of Football games. MS auditions in the morning.

PLEASE SCREEN STUDENTS CAREFULLY! This is an audition for exceptionally talented and prepared students. Suggest you have a mock audition.

Small Schools Honor Band & 7th & 8th Grade Honor Band

- Nominations Fee: \$15.00 per school. (Application Forms on web site)
- Completed forms should be sent to respective Chairman whose name & address are on the form.

Marching Band MPA

- Date: October 25th
- Nomination to host

Manatee High School

Motion to have the marching MPA at Manatee High School Lopez/Boyd Passed

- Entry Form due to District Chairman by September 25th
 - **FINE - \$ 50.00 for submitting this form late.** (Payable to FBA)

- **\$100.00 on the 8th calendar day after the deadline.** (Payable to FBA)
- No Assessment money collected at this time

SCHOOLS MUST HAVE CURRENT CLASSIFICATION FORM ON FILE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MARCHING MPA.

Audio - Video recording

\$50.00 fee for recording to be sent with the Marching MPA application due September 25

Check for recording made out to Footnote Productions.

Scheduling will be done by the number of winds

Nominations for the Oliver Hobbs Award (criteria included in packet): Jose Lopez – Port Charlotte HS Boone/Spreen Passed

Nominations for the Tom Bishop Award (criteria included in packet): Kendall Carrier Boyd/Lopez Passed

ITEM NO. 10.-- OTHER MPA DATES & SITES

	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Place</u>		
Solo/Ensemble	<u>February 13th - 14th</u>	Sarasota HS	Boyd/Carrier	Passed
Sr. Concert MPA	<u>February 27th - 28th</u>	Braden River	Boyd/Boone	Passed

Due to the bus cost it was proposed by Danny Boyd to have two sites for MS/JH Concert MPA.

Motion:	MS/JH Concert MPA	<u>March 20th</u>	Charlotte HS
		<u>March 21st</u>	Braden River HS

Dubbert/Boyd Passed

ITEM NO. 11.-- ADJUDICATORS FOR MPA'S

HS Concert: Mark Nelson, Roanna Combs, and Phil Wharton
Continuing to search for a sight-reading adjudicator.

MS Concert: David Ammerman, Jane Lucas

Sight Reading: Roger Faulman

S & E:

Frank Howes

Fred Kagi

Dan DuBay

Penny Janowski

ITEM NO. 12. NOMINATIONS FOR ADJUDICATORS LIST

(Voting must be by secret ballot)

Cathy Hamand nominated for Auxiliary

Tim Hamand nominated for General Effect, Percussion, and Marching and Maneuvering

Passed

**ITEM NO. 13.-- SUGGESTIONS TO MUSIC COMMITTEE(S) (BEFORE November 1)
CLINICS COMMITTEE (By September 1)**

Discussion – Spreen requested suggestions for clinics at convention;
Bruce requested recommendation for clinicians

ITEM NO. 14.-- PROPOSALS TO EXECUTIVE BOARD

None

ITEM NO. 15.-- CORRESPONDENCE

Lemon Bay to performance outside for homecoming

Charlotte HS to performance outside for homecoming

ITEM NO. 16.-- GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION

Cindy Balistreri reminded the district that due to budget cuts that travel is limited for outside of the district.

ITEM NO. 17.-- NEXT DISTRICT MEETING -- DATE & PLACE

The next district meeting will be held on November 1st at 10am at Sarasota Military Academy.

ITEM NO. 18.-- ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn Alvarez/Dubbert Passed

Submitted By:

Luis Alvarez

District 11 Secretary