



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

DISTRICT NUMBER: 17	MEETING DATE: August 25, 2008
MEETING NUMBER: 1	LOCATION: Douglas Anderson School of the Arts

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Thank you to the DASOTA Band Parents for hosting and Costello Music for sponsoring the meal.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present, Mentor Assignments

John Peasant	E.J. Butler Middle	Joseph Hughes	Jeff Davis Middle
Asa Jernigan	Mandarin Middle	Ernie Lombardi	Yulee High
Don Reynolds	West Nassau	Max Cordell	Trinity Christian
Paula Thornton	DCPS	Pam Chaffin	Mandarin High
Vicki Nolan	Retired	Paul Weikle	FCCJ
Adrian Jackson	Ed White High	Gordon Brock	UNF
Rachael Pomeroy	Sandalwood High	Brandon Williams	Raines High
Adam Marcum	Hilliard Middle/Senior	Kent Staples	Forrest High
Shawn Barat	DASOTA	Joe Rayhill	Wolfson High/DuPont Middle
Ace Martin	DASOTA	Janet Thomas	FCCJ/DASOTA
Wes Peters	Fletcher Middle	John Thomas	FCCJ/DASOTA
Reginald Bass	Ribault Middle	Johnnie Robinson	Fernandina Beach High
Jeff Adams	First Coast Christian	Randy Hamm	Fernandina Beach Middle
Tom Haller	DASOTA	Ken Williams	LaVilla Middle
Andy Shepard	Yulee Middle	Chris Banks	LaVilla Middle
Lee Ponder	Mandarin Christian	Ryan Whalen	Oceanway Middle
Karen Wilhelm	Ft. Caroline Middle	Bill Hazlett	Providence
Chuck Duran	Englewood high	Marc Dickman	UNF
Paul Arnold	Callahan Middle	Peter Muller	Paxon SAS
Kevin Brown	Landmark Middle	Jonathan Maerkl	Fletcher High School

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

MOTION – Dispense with the reading of the minutes (Lombardi/Whalen) - **PASSED**

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Current Account Balance: \$406.10

Proposed Current Year Budget: Current year budget is \$40,615. We took a loan from FBA for \$800 to purchase a new laptop. YTD expenses have been \$928. Ledger was distributed with more details.

Item 5: Next Meeting Date and Place

November 10th at Forrest High School – Meet at 6pm. Eat at 7pm.

January 12th at Yulee High School – Meet at 6pm. Eat at 7pm.

April 27th at Landmark Middle School – Meet at 6pm. Eat at 7pm.

Item 6: Music Advocacy Issues-FBA/FSMA

Dr. Ken Williams did a power point presentation and distributed a fact sheet concerning Amendments 5, 7, and 9. Please educate your parent groups about the potential impact of these amendments.

Item 7: Announcements

FMEA Awards Nomination forms are in the Florida Music Director Magazine.
AT&T Youth Institute with London Symphony in Daytona Beach April 23-30. Flyer will be e-mailed.

Item 8: Communications/Distribution of Packets

All forms, including All State, medals and classification, are on the FBA website.

Item 9: Unfinished Business

NONE

Item 10: Committee Reports

All-District Band – Audition Date January 15, 2009 at 6pm. Don Reynolds and Paul Arnold discussed having a pre-registration this year. The cost for pre-registration would be \$10 and the cost for onsite would be \$15. Clinicians will be Mike Mitchell for Middle School and Michael Grassi for High School. Rehearsals are January 22nd and 23rd from 6-9pm and Saturday January 24th from 1-5pm Performance Sunday at 3pm. Any questions or comments please e-mail Don Reynolds.
DonaldReynolds07@comcast.net

Item 11: New Business

a. Membership Dues & Enrollment Forms - due September 1 - 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 BY SEPTEMBER 1.**

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

FSMA school dues payment (to FSMA by September 15) – Duval covered by DCPS

b. Classification Forms due Wednesday, October 1 to the District Chairman. Principal and Director Signature Required

Report the enrollment of your ENTIRE SCHOOL at the **20 Day Count**, 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

There are situations where you may want to consider requesting a lower classification. Read the handbook for details about how to do this.

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

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

Site: Mandarin Middle School

Date: Saturday, September 20 – middle school AM, high school PM

Deadline: Friday September 5, 2008 to Jonathan Maerkl,

Fletcher High School, 700 Seagate Avenue, Neptune Beach, FL

Fees: \$20 per audition

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.

d. 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 honor band chairman whose name and address are on the form.

e. Marching Band MPA:

Date: Saturday, November 8, 2008

Site: Fletcher High School Stadium

Entry Form Due Date (to district chairman): Wednesday October 1, 2008

No assessment money collected at this time.

Assistance needed from Middle School directors. Asa Jernigan will coordinate.

We will continue to use Paradise Studios Event Photography for a group photo.

We will look into video recording options with the same company as last year or possibly BandLife.com

We need to think about ways to increase our money made at the gate. The more money we make at Marching MPA, the lower our assessments. Ernie Lombardi is going to chair the middle school national anthem committee. Middle school directors please prep your students with the John Kinyon Star Spangled Banner in B-flat. All middle school students will be invited to participate. Middle school directors are encouraged to have their Middle School students attend. The students will get in free with their band shirt. Middle School parents will need to pay. Asa Jernigan recommended not bringing a bus of your middle school students, but rather have parents bring their own student so that we can benefit from the parents admission cost.

Marching Band motion to FBA Board – see attached

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

MOTION – Nominate Don Reynolds (Ponder/Jernigan) **PASSED**

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

NONE

Item 12: District MPA Dates and Sites

Jazz Band MPA (MS/HS): Thursday, February 12, 2009. Location TBA

Solo and Ensemble MPA (MS/HS): Friday and Saturday, February 13-14, 2009 at Yulee High School

Concert (High School): Friday and Saturday, March 13-14, 2009 at Mandarin High School

Concert (JH/MS): Friday and Saturday, March 20-21, 2009 at Mandarin Middle School

Item 13: District MPA Adjudicators

List was distributed at meeting.

Item 14: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)

NONE

Item 15: Suggestions to State Committees

NONE

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.

Roll of Distinction Concert on November 15th and Hall of Fame concert on November 16th at Stetson University.

Jacksonville Country Day School will be hosting a free Jazz Honor Band with clinicians J.B. Scott and Marc Dickman starting September 22nd. Contact Kent or Chrystal Staples at 399-8867 for more details.

The First Coast Community Music School still has scholarship money to give away. Please encourage students who might not otherwise be able to afford private lessons to explore this option.

Marc Dickman distributed a schedule of concerts at UNF.

Dr. Brock encouraged directors to contact Michael Bovenzi if they would like to have a faculty ensemble from UNF come perform for their students.

Teal Sound Auditions are during the second weekend of December. Contact Ryan Whalen with questions.

Jeff Adams spoke about the Jacksonville Praise Orchestra. Their first concert will benefit music in Duval County Public Schools. Camp Kirkland will be the guest clinician. The concert is Saturday September 13, 2008 at 6pm at Kernan Boulevard Baptist Church.

Item 19: Adjournment

MOTION (Lombardi/Ponder) **PASSED**

Name of District Secretary:

Jonathan Maerkl

Signature:

Jonathan Maerkl