



# FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 73<sup>rd</sup> year

## DISTRICT MEETING #1 MINUTES

(ver. 08-08)

<b>DISTRICT NUMBER: 18</b>	<b>MEETING DATE: August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2008</b>
<b>MEETING NUMBER: 1</b>	<b>LOCATION: Golden Gate HS</b>

### Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Call to order to 10:08am

- A big thanks to Steve Deladurantey and Golden gate HS for hosting the meeting
- Thank you to Jerome Edwards and North American photography for the food
- Naples Phil Percussion Summit will be held Sept. 6th

### Item 2: Members and Guests Present, Mentor Assignments

Skip Perry – Three Oaks MS  
Jay Parales – Lehigh Sr. High  
Natalie Naus – Fort Myers MS  
Sarah St. John – Bonita Springs MS  
Dana Williams – Canterbury School  
Gaetano Ferlazzo – Mariner MS  
Chris Bonner – Cadence Music  
Maureen Steger – Bishop Verot HS  
Brandon Milhoan – Manatee MS  
Paxen Roan – Cypress Palm MS  
Sarah Hamilton – Mariner HS  
Timothy Hamilton – Cypress lake MS  
Troy Jones – Gulf MS  
Christina Moffat – N. Fort Myers Academy  
Richard Brown – Ida Baker HS  
Bill Reaney – Palmetto Ridge HS  
Linda Mann – Diplomat MS  
Josh Blair – Cypress Lake HS  
Steve Deladurantey – Golden gate HS  
Dan Davis – Caloosa MS

Justin Mayer – South Fort Myers HS  
Autumn Parrott – Lehigh Acres MS  
Julian Eckman – North Fort Myers HS  
Emily Widrick – Labelle HS  
Melvin Maxwell – Naples HS  
Adam Mechlin - BCHS  
Julie Evans – Gulf View MS  
Tom Howell - CMS  
Lisa Mattson – Community School  
Chuck Flory – Alva MS  
John Stein – Lely HS  
Rod Chesnutt – Florida Gulf Coast Univ.  
Jan Hessney – Dunbar MS  
Bethany Smith – Lexington MS  
Burt Ross - OMS  
James Samz – Estero HS  
Kelly Parker - Barron Collier HS  
Jerome Edwards – retired Naples HS  
Abby Briggs – Cape Coral HS

### Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

- If there are no comments – the minutes will be approved as sent to the membership
- The Minutes can be found on the FBA website: [www.flmusiced.org/fba](http://www.flmusiced.org/fba)
- Our 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting will be on Monday Dec 1<sup>st</sup>, at FGCU.

### Item 4: Treasurer's Report

- We currently have \$369.59 in our checking account – reported by Jan Hessney – Treasurer
- Mileage rate has risen from \$.45 per mile to \$.50 per mile. The assessment paid to the FBA office was raised from \$.80 to \$.90 per entry

### Item 5: Next Meeting Date and Place

- The next meeting will be DECEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008 at Florida Gulf Coast Univ. at 7:00pm. Discussion of marching fest and Solo/ensemble will continue at that time.

## Item 6: Music Advocacy Issues-FBA/FSMA

Dan gave an extensive presentation on Advocacy and Education funding. The hand out from the meeting explains in detail (get from Dan) - The Power Point presentation is available from Dan (he got it from James Perry) – please E mail him if you would like this power point.

Some of the highlights of the presentation were:

- PE Bill 610 Passed – Can be waived with a parent permission note (Waiving PE participation for Band) – begins next school year.
- Please be aware of the new Ethics in Education Laws Bill 1712
- Bill 1908 – Fine Arts courses will now be called “practical arts.”
- Please understand and get involved with  
Amendment 5 – ending property taxes fro schools  
Amendment 7 –deletes statements denying use of tax money for private schools  
Amendment 9 – renames “Public education” to “Public Funding for Education”

## Item 7: Announcements

FMEA Awards Nomination forms are in the Florida Music Director Magazine.  
None were made at this time

## Item 8: Communications/Distribution of Packets

- Everything is available on the FBA website. Directors have been e mailed forms and other information
- Upcoming deadline reminders
  - Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> – Deadline for FBA/FMEA/MENC membership dues - to be eligible for All State participation
  - Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> All State Auditions – Dunbar MS
  - Sept.15<sup>th</sup> – Deadline for FSMA Dues
  - Sept.24<sup>th</sup> – Deadline to get All State Honor Band and Small Schools Nominations to Linda Mann
  - Sept 29<sup>th</sup> – marching MPA Entry Forms due to Dan Davis – no money due at that time.

## Item 9: Unfinished Business

- Jolesch Photography will be taking group shots for marching band MPA and MS Concert Band. HS Directors had previously decided NOT to have group photos taken at Concert MPA. Bill Reaney added that the reasoning is due to not enough HS wanting to have pictures taken. Richard Brown stated that Jolesch will come to your school and take group pictures after or before a concert. Photos of MS MPA will still be taken.

## Item 10: Committee Reports

- Dan discussed with us the formation of Committees. Please be thinking about a committee you would like to chair or be a part of. We will be forming these committees at the next meeting in December.
- Committees to consider will be:
  - Meeting Performances
  - Publicity
  - Mentoring
  - All-State
  - MPA (assist with hosting and preparation)
  - S&E pianos

## Item 11: New Business

**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.**

Send to: FMEA, or PAY DUES ON-LINE AT [www.flmusiced.org](http://www.flmusiced.org)

**FSMA school dues** payment (to FSMA by September 15)

**Classification Forms** due October 1 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](http://www.flmusiced.org/fba)

**All State Auditions:** (forms are in August Bulletin and on [www.flmusiced.org/fba](http://www.flmusiced.org/fba) )

Site: Dunbar MS

Date: Sept 13th

Deadline: At Meeting or by Aug.27th  
Fees:\$20.00 per entry

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.flmusic.org/fba](http://www.flmusic.org/fba)

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

Contracts due to Linda Mann at All State Auditions

### Marching Band MPA:

Date: Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008

Site: Fort Myers HS

Entry Form Due Date (to district chairman): by Sept 29th

No assessment money collected at this time.

Assistance needed from Middle School/Junior High directors

- The more money made at the gate – the less assessments will be. We discussed different ways to make more money at marching MPA. Tickets are \$7.00. Troy Jones said it was important that we communicate to our parents about attending the event. It was also discussed to have MS students discounted at the gate.
- MOTION (Reaney/Edwards) – District Chair make a “Gate Coupon” – this will allow all MS students (with coupon in hand) to get into Marching MPA for \$2.00. Dan will email the coupon to us and MS directors can distribute. MOTION PASSED.

Nominations for the Oliver Hobbs Award (see latest “Florida Bandmaster”): - None at this time

Nominations for the Tom Bishop Award (see latest “Florida Bandmaster”): - None at this time

- MOTION (Reaney/Detchen) New Directors could benefit from MPA Online Training – at FGCU – next meeting. Rod would like the number of people interested in the training – Dan can get numbers and E mail rod.  
MOTION PASSED
- Please read the proposed motion concerning HS marching band Field Evaluations – and the FBA philosophy on “Best practices” for marching band. This has been tabled until the December board meeting – but please read. Go to [www.flmusic.org/fba/dnn/performances/bestpracticesformarchingband/tabid/188/default.aspx](http://www.flmusic.org/fba/dnn/performances/bestpracticesformarchingband/tabid/188/default.aspx)  
Your thoughts and responses concerning this are very important – and will be discussed at the December meeting.
- MPA ONLINE: you must reregister again – last years registration will not work.  
Please don't wait until the last minute to start inputting your information. Dan will E mail the URL to you as soon as he has everything set up on his end

## Item 12: District MPA Dates and Sites

Solo and Ensemble MPA (MS/JH): Feb. 5 – 7 2009 Lehigh Sr. high School

Solo and Ensemble MPA (High School): same as MS

MS Jazz - 2/5

HS Jazz - 2/6

S&E - 2/6 – 7

Auxillary – 2/7

Concert (JH/MS): March 26 – 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009. 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> – Lehigh SHS (North Site) the 28<sup>th</sup> – Golden Gate HS (South Site)

Concert (High School): March 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009. 5<sup>th</sup> – Golden Gate HS (South Site) 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> Cypress Lake HS (North Site)

## Item 13: District MPA Adjudicators

### Marching MPA:

Jane Lucas – Music 1

TBA – Music 2

David Fultz – GE

Ted Hope – marching

Mary White – Auxillary

### MS Concert MPA

Travis Henry

Malena Calle

George Waters

Fred Kagi – SR

### S&E

Penny Janowski - Aux

Terry Pattishall - WW

Amy Bradley - WW

Amy Collins - WW

Gordon O'Hara - WW

Sue Messer - WW

TBA - WW

Bryan Alspach - Brass

Owen Bradley - Brass

Cindy Klispie - Brass

Michael Waller - Brass

Michael Vail - Brass

Mike Woodfin – Perc

Tina Laferriere – WW/Perc.

### HS Concert MPA:

James Bishop

Erich Rivero

Ted Hope

Michael Vail

### Jazz Ensemble MPA

Jamie Roth

Alan O'Farrill

Gordon O'Hara

## Item 14: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)

MOTION (Edwards/Mann) Nominate Melvin Maxwell to the Adjudicators List. He was nominated for all but Auxillary and Jazz.

MOTION PASSED in Secret ballot. Dan will get all of the information to Melvin.

## **Item 15: Suggestions to State Committees**

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

Clinics Committee: (before Oct 1): - If you would like Col. Arnold D. Gabriel – make sure you do this soon – and as early as possible.

## **Item 16: Proposals to the Executive Board**

## **Item 17: Correspondence**

## **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.

FMEA Convention Hotel rooms:

- Hotels still have a lot of no Shows
- Waterside overbooked and still at 80% capacity
- Embassy Suites overbooked and still at 75% capacity
- MS Bands are now at the Hyatt
- FMEA has a contract with the hotels and guarantees a certain no. of rooms. In the past FMEA has been able to talk their way out of certain situations dealing with overbooking rooms and not canceling. FMEA could end up paying \$25,000 to \$50,000 if it gets out of hand. PLEASE GET RID OF YOUR HOTEL ROOMS THAT YOU ARE NOT NEEDING!!
- You may start making reservations on September 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am.

Naples Jazz Fest will be April 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> at Golden Gate HS (see Steve Deladurantey)

Mariner Preview of Champions – is November 8<sup>th</sup> - MS Students are welcome to come and perform the SSB

Jerome Edwards asked – PLEASE book your picture dates now for composites from North American photographers.

## **Item 19: Adjournment**

MOTION (Mann/Jones) Adjournment of meeting

MOTION PASSED at 12:05pm

**Name of District Secretary: Christina L. Moffat**

### **Signature:**

Respectfully Submitted by

Christina L. Moffat

FBA District 18 Secretary