



**FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 67<sup>th</sup> year  
 DISTRICT MEETING #4 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-02)**

<b>DISTRICT NUMBER: XVI</b>	<b>MEETING DATE: 4/24/03</b>
<b>MEETING NUMBER: 4</b>	<b>MEETING LOCATION: Glades Middle School</b>

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

The meeting was called to order by acting District 16 Chair George Walters at 7:30 PM

**Item 2: Members and Guests Present**

Members present were:

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| S. Gardner /Ammons Middle        | M. Calle/ Southwood Middle    | W. Hoffman/Turner Tech. Sr.       |
| T. Coakley/Coral Park Sr.        | J. Dowler/ Braddock Sr.       | P. Castaneda/S. Miami Middle      |
| T. O’Neal/ Sunset Sr.            | E. Maina/Lawton Chiles Middle | N. Bisco/Paul Bell Middle         |
| J. Normandin/Palm Springs Middle | G. Walters/Glades Middle      | K. Geoff/ Florida Christian       |
| C. Hutchinson/Fla. Christian     | P. Muller/Miami Springs Sr.   | B. Lopez/ Hialeah Middle          |
| R. Brandon/New World             | J. Gross/Centennial Middle    | S. Kirkland/Hammocks Middle       |
| G. Fider/Arvida Middle           | S. Lalama/Barbara Goleman Sr. | J. Hatfield/Westwood Christian    |
| L. Altamiranda/Shenandoah Middle | G. Cubberly/West Miami Middle | B. Lewis/Parkway Middle           |
| D. Jordan/Palmer Trinity         | S. Rivero/Hialeah Sr.         | B. Shepard/Coral Gables Sr.       |
| C. Leibinger/Ransom Middle       | P. Smith/Palmetto Sr.         | B. Jackson Jr/Lake Stevens Middle |
| C. Dorsey/Northwestern Sr.       | E. Allen/Horace Mann Middle   | J. Pace/Norland Sr.               |
| A. Simons/Norland Sr.            | D. Barer/JFK Middle           | E. Coutinlio/Howard Doolin Middle |
| J. Williams/Palmetto Middle      | E. O’Neal/Carol City Middle   | A. DelaRosa/Ponce Middle          |

Special guests present were: Jason Zimmerman/University of Miami, Dino Antoniccio/Intern Hialeah Sr., Allyson Royster/Summerset Academy Charter School, Charlene Brandon/wife of Rodester Brandon.

**Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes**

Motion (M. Calle) to dispense with reading of the previous minutes /Second (P. Muller) PASSED

**Item 4: Treasurer’s Report**

Given by C. Leibinger – A few outstanding bill remains to be paid, recent order totaling \$9,300 made for plaques & medals. She requested several directors meet with her after meeting concerning outstanding monies.

## **Item 5: Communications**

S. Rivero read letter from B. Wuttke (Chairman) in which Brian thanked the membership for their hard work, dedication, perservance & support. He also disclosed his diagnosis of leukemia and announced his resignation, due to this illness. The district regretfully and with great concern for Brian's health and his family, accepted this letter of resignation.

## **Item 6: Unfinished Business**

Middle School Music Performance Assessment - M. Calle & S. Kirkland thanked George Walters for hosting the South site festival at the last minute! John Normandin suggested that a map be sent (in the future), to all schools, so that busses would not get lost. Some had difficulty finding Krop Sr. (the North site).

State South Festival – P. Smith commented that the experience was wonderful and that the site used was excellent.

## **Item 7: Committee Reports**

None

## **Item 8: New Business**

Nomination and Election of new District 16 Chair and Secretary:

Nomination for Steve Rivero (Hialeah Sr.) for District XVI Chaiperson - by M.Calle/ Second (P. Muller).

Nomination for George Walters (Glades Middle) for District XVI Secretary – by E. Maina/Second (G. Cubberly).

Motion to close nominations (P/ Muller)

Secret ballot taken/ PASSED

New Officers are: Steve Rivero, Chair      George Walters, Secretary

## **Item 9: District MPA Dates and Sites**

Tentative MPA Dates District 16 (2003-2004)

Marching – 11/8/2003

HS S&E – 2/20-21, 2004

MS S&E – 2/28-28, 2004

HS Concert – 3/11-13, 2004

MS Concert – 3/15-18, 2004 OR 3/22-25, 2004 OR 4/12-15,2004 (County Youth Fair Dates which conflicts with the scheduling of busses is 3/18 – 4/4, 2004

## **Item 10: District MPA Adjudicators for Next School Year**

There is a committee already in place to help S. Rivero select adjudicators. G. Walters reminded everyone to fill out and turn in Adjudicator Evaluation Forms.

## **Item 11: Nominations for Adjudicators List**

Nomination for Mara Rose from Jacksonville (by M. Calle)/ Second (R. Brandon.) PASSED (Unanimous Vote)

S. Rivero expressed concern that several directors were nominated in the past but were never given the proper paper work. Discussion ensued. Directors were told that if they were nominated that they needed to follow up on the proper forms. G. Walters said that he could also help with this matter.

### **Item 12: Suggestions to State Committees**

Motion by M. Calle that the sightreading committee select music that is more appropriate and of better quality. The music must be free of obvious printing errors, must be legible, and must have musical value.

Rationale: Much of the current (nd past) sight-reading music is inappropriate for the classification level and contains errors that create unnecessary problems during sight-reading.

Seconded by R. Brandon

Much discussion followed and the vote was unanimous

### **Item 13: Proposals to the Executive Board**

B. Wuttke sent a motion through acting Chair G. Walters:

Motion: The Executive Board shall direct the music committee to research, in order to present a report at the upcoming summer board meeting, the feasibility of incorporating all titles found on the FBA Concert Music List indicated as “Significant Literature” onto the Florida State Adopted Textbook List. The report should indicate personnel contacted, and the result of the inquiry.

Rationale: Band Directors should have the option of purchasing music (often the band’s “textbook”) through school funds. Often administrators are reluctant to use textbook money to purchase music, however, if listed in the Florida School Book Depository listing, they may be more amicable to provide funds for such purchases. Ideally, it would be beneficial to adopt the entire music list, however, this may not be practical as several titles are out of print, and it would not be possible to stock every title on the list.

Much discussion followed and the vote was unanimous.

### **Item 14: For the Good of the Association**

Best Wishes/Prayers to Brian and his family for Brian’s speedy recovery.

G. Walters mentioned that despite Brian’s illness, the Killian Band I received straight superiors at State. His students are to be commended for their efforts during this trying time.

Congratulations were offered to S. Gardner and J. Normandin for being selected as conductors for this years Miami-Dade County Superintendent’s Honors Bands.

N. Bisco thanked C. Leibinger and the district for mentoring first year teachers.

C. Leibinger mentioned the summer convention and the Masterworks Series, and stated that everyone should bring their instrument and play in the band.

R. Brandon stated that the deadline to register for the National Boards was Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>. He said that the process was a joy, and that there are several Miami-Dade directors that are available to mentor.

**Item 15: Next Meeting Date**

August 23, 2003      Location: Hialeah Senior High

**Item 16: Adjournment**

Motion to adjournment (J. Normandin)/ Second (P. Muller) PASSED

Meeting adjourned 9:00 PM

**Name of District Secretary:**

Steve A. Gardner  
Acting Secretary

**Signature:**

Steve A. Gardner