

Item 5: Communications

There were none.

Item 6: Unfinished Business

Thanks to Randy Nelson, Chad Hannah, and the Choctawhatchee Band Parents for hosting the All-State Auditions. We had 356 entries. There were 70 DNAs and 286 actual auditions. It was suggested that next year we allot 20 minutes for high school percussion students to audition. There some concerns about equipment functioning properly.

Thanks to Joe Hooten, Kevin Connell, and the Tate Band Boosters for hosting the Marching MPA. Duane Hendon, FBA Executive Director, was in attendance. Please remember to fill out and return the Adjudicator Evaluation forms. They can be found on the website and should be sent to Gray Weaver at Milton HS.

Remember that the annual FMEA Conference is in Tampa on January 7-11, 2003. You may register online. You should have received a "username" & "password". Online registration is \$65.00, paper registration is \$70.00, and on-site registration is \$85.00.

Item 7: Committee Reports

There were no committees to report.

Item 8: New Business

Remember that we will be using the Festival Program for S&E, Jazz, & Concert MPA's. The training session will follow the next district meeting in January. The floppy disk, assessment form, & check will be due by Sat., Jan. 25. If you need a copy of the program, send a check for \$20.00 and a pre-addressed CD mailer to:

Curtis Wilson
1428 E. 48th Street
Savannah, GA 31404
E-mail (for questions only): cwfestival@aol.com

The Solo & Ensemble MPA will be Friday, Feb. 21, 2003 & Saturday, Feb. 22, 2003 at Gulf Breeze HS. High School students will perform on Friday and Middle School Students will perform on Saturday (unless requested otherwise)

The Jazz MPA will be Friday, Feb. 28, 2003 & Saturday, March 1, 2003 at Niceville HS. The bands will be scheduled by classification unless a request is made. Tentative times: Friday(2:30-8:30) & Saturday (9:30-12:00 noon)

High School Concert MPA will be on Friday, March 14 & Saturday, March 15 at Ft. Walton Beach HS.

Middle School Concert MPA will Thursday, April 3, 2003 and Friday, April 4, 2003. Thursday (3:00-9:00 p.m.) and Friday (8:00-10:30 a.m.) will be at Bailey MS in Pensacola. Friday afternoon and evening (3:00-9:00 p.m.) will be Ft. Walton Beach HS.

Motion: (Ewing/Chiarito) To approve these sites and times. Passed.

Jazz & Concert MPA's will recorded by Vestige Audio from Baton Rouge, LA.

Item 9: State MPA Dates and Sites

State S&E / Jazz / Auxiliary MPA - March 31, April 1-2 @ Satellite HS
State Concert Band MPA - April 21-25 @ Univ. of North Florida
- April 22-25 @ North Port High School

Item 10: Nominations for Adjudicators List

Nominations were made for Jazz & Concert MPA's:

Dunn/Knight: Tom Brantley, trombone teacher @ UCF was nominated for S&E and Jazz.

Dunn/Folsom: Marc Dickson, euphonium teacher at UNF was nominated for S&E and Jazz.

Both nominations passed by secret ballot.

Item 11: Suggestions to State Committees

Tom Fitzpatrick suggested that there be a clinic on how to design a budget and band handbook for beginning for band directors.

Item 12: Proposals to the Executive Board

Motion (Holsworth/Fitzpatrick) was made that state MPA adjudicators be held to the same certification standards as the adjudicators for the district level MPA. (Passed)

Rationale: Under the current system, it is possible for a band to be judged at the state MPA by someone who is not certified to judge at the district level. The standards for selection of judges at the state level should be equal to or higher than the district level.

Item 13: Other

Item 14: For the Good of the Association

David Ott (Univ. of West Florida) has written a composition for band entitled, "Elegy" . It is available for free for area bands.

James Lindemann (former member of Canadian Brass) is in concert on Nov. 1 with the Pensacola Symphony.

Blast "Shockwave" is performing at the Saenger Theatre on December 6 & 7.

Tate HS is sponsoring a marching band competition on Saturday, November 2.

Item 15: Next Meeting Date

January 15, 2003 at Gulf Breeze High School – 6:00 p.m.

Item 16: Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned @ 7:10 p.m..

Name of District Secretary: Eddie Steadman, District 1