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## FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 68<sup>th</sup> year DISTRICT MEETING #3 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-03)

<b>DISTRICT NUMBER:</b> 12	<b>MEETING DATE:</b> Thursday, 15 January, 2004
<b>MEETING NUMBER:</b> 3	<b>MEETING LOCATION:</b> Lakeland Christian School

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

The meeting was called to order by David Fultz at 6:43PM.

### Item 2: Members and Guests Present

B.Fultz, D.Fultz, R.Lambert, D.Christopher, C.Celone, J.Sholine, K.Johnson, H.Lundahl, J.Bryant, J.Cayer, A.Malott, R.Combs, P.Wharton, M.Booher, B.Chance, D.West, J.Buss, J.DeYoung, J.Strike, L.Alvarez, J.Eckman, J.Hardin, F.Howes, K.Levine, B.Agrella, K.Guira, R.Lundahl, B.Wharton, K.Nickse, M.Lussier, C.Harris, C.Atkinson, J.Parker, C.Beutel, F.McDonald, M.Kaminskas, K.Kessler, C.Fulton

B.Steen, intern SWMS,  
A.Goldstein, intern LGHS,  
M.Blake, intern, Denison MS.

### Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as distributed.

### Item 4: Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was given. Our current balance in the account is \$15,112.11. Total made through Marching MPA was \$12,336.20. It was mentioned that the t-shirts that were sold went over very well and it should be considered again next year.

### Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

Mr. Frank Howes spoke in regards to advocacy issues. He feels we should appoint someone an advocate contact for Polk County. This person would be in charge of contacting directors when alerts were emailed about advocacy needs. Directors would then have to notify their parents. Interested persons should contact David Fultz.

### Item 6: Communications

There were no new communications to be read.

### Item 7: Unfinished Business

No unfinished business.

## **Item 8: Committee Reports**

Don West (Piano Committee Chair), said he is in contact with the Piano providers. They will be bringing some acoustics, but mostly Yamaha Electrics. There was concern expressed over the use of electric pianos because of the feel for the accompanists. Some members were interested in looking into other options for next year. There were opinions on both sides. It was also mentioned that some felt electric pianos were better for the kids because they usually had fewer tuning and playing issues. Mr. Howes stated that we should have at least one good acoustic for piano solos.

## **Item 9: New Business**

Chuck Fulton gave further instructions for creating entry disks. He also corrected the agenda. DNA's need to be given to Chuck Fulton no later than February 10<sup>th</sup>.

There was discussion about jazz band scheduling for Solo and Ensemble (Sat. vs. Fri) Most will be scheduled Friday night, with one or two first thing Saturday morning.

## **Item 10: State MPA Dates and Sites**

### **State Solo and Ensemble**

North State	March 29,30 and 31	West Port High School in Ocala.
South State	April 5,6 and 7	J.P. Taravella HS in Coral Springs.

### **State Concert Band MPA**

North State	April 27 <sup>th</sup> -May1	FSU in Tallahassee.
South State	April 26-May1	Indian River Community College in Ft. Pierce.

## **Item 11: District MPA Dates for Next Year**

Dates were selected for District MPA events.

The marching date proposed was October 23, 2004. Rich Lundahl moved to accept this proposal, it was seconded by Phil Wharton. All were in favor.

The Solo and Ensemble date proposed was February 11 and 12, 2004. Brad Wharton moved to accept this proposal, it was seconded by Barbara Fultz. All were in favor.

The High School Concert MPA date proposed was March 4 and 5, 2004. Rich Lundahl moved to accept this proposal, it was seconded by Phil Wharton. All were in favor.

The Middle School Concert MPA date proposed was March 10,11 and 12, 2004. Barbara Fultz moved to accept this proposal, it was seconded by Cheryce Harris. All were in favor.

## **Item 12: Nominations for Adjudicators List**

It was asked if there were any nominations to the adjudicators list. Cheryce Harris nominated J. Jossim. All voted (by secret ballot) and were in favor of her nomination.

## **Item 13: Nominations of All State Clinicians**

It was asked if there were any nominations for clinicians for the All-State Band. Jeff Cayer nominated Dr. Tim Lautzenheiser. Dr. Rich Lundahl nominated Dr. John Carmichael from Western Kentucky.

## **Item 14: Suggestions to State Committees**

### **Item 15: Proposals to the Executive Board**

It was asked if there were any proposals to the executive board. Jeff Cayer had two proposals.

#### **Proposal #1** – offered by **J.Cayer**, second by **B.Fultz**

Motion to include reseating auditions for the 7<sup>th</sup>&8<sup>th</sup> Grade All-State Honor Bands.

Rationale: Students have not been adequately prepared with their music during the first rehearsals at All-State. This will allow the director to work on musical issues rather than teaching notes at the first rehearsal. This will also ensure quality soloists at the top of each section.

Procedure: Reseating auditions will be conducted in the same manner as the high school reseating auditions.

#### **Proposal #2** – offered by **J.Cayer**, second by **K.Levine**

Motion to allow Solo and Ensemble participants to perform a work of music longer than 6 minutes without cuts.

Rationale: would allow students to perform music as the composer intended (w/o cuts or eliminated repeats). I feel that these cuts degrade the integrity of the music and send a message to the student that time constraints are more important than the music itself.

Procedure: Modify the Festival program to include a checkbox for a double time slot. The change would automatically double the student's assessment as well as schedule the student for a longer performance time. The additional time would allow students to perform a significant work of music as the composer intended.

## **Item 16: Other**

### **Item 17: For the Good of the Association**

For the good of the association: Congratulations to Chuck Fulton on being elected as President Elect to FBA. Congratulations to John DeYoung for being named as the next inductee into the Hall of Fame. Mr. Howes mentioned it would important for Polk County employees to attend the Superintendent meetings to speak on behalf of the arts. Rob Lambert announce that the Polk County Jazz Showcase will be held on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. It is a non-judged performance opportunity for area jazz bands. Jeff Cayer will be organizing the event. Rich Lundahl suggested having MPA in Branscomb in the future. He mentioned the cost would be about \$600/day. John Eckman announced that the possible date for the first All-State clinic is May 22<sup>nd</sup>, (the day after school gets out).

### **Item 18: Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting is scheduled for April 19<sup>th</sup> at Kathleen HS. Food will be served at 6:00PM and the meeting will begin at 6:30PM.

### **Item 19: Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:49PM.

**Name of District Secretary: Kevin Crawford** (thank you to Mrs. Christi Celone for taking minutes in my absence)

**Signature:**