



## FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 68<sup>th</sup> year DISTRICT MEETING #1 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-03)

<b>DISTRICT NUMBER: 2</b>	<b>MEETING DATE: 8/18/03</b>
<b>MEETING NUMBER: 1</b>	<b>MEETING LOCATION: Arnold High School</b>

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by district chairman, Jamie Standland.  
New members were welcomed to the district and the Arnold High School Band Boosters were thanked for their hospitality and the great meal.

### Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Jamie Standland-Marianna High, Tony Taylor-Marianna High, Neil Gray-Bozeman Learning Center, Allan Williams-Roulhac Middle, Richard Davenport-ChIPLEY High, Robert Coursey-Apalachicola High Mitch Bouyington-Port St. Joe Middle/ High School, Bill Thompson-Mowat Middle, Teri VanDyke-South Walton High, Sue Nicholson-Seaside Middle, Gary Nichols-Arnold High, Michelle Birdwell-Surfside Middle, Jamie Birdwell-Mosley High, David Naron-Bay High, Barbara Hemmert-Jinks Middle, Tommy Grimes-Jinks Middle, Amy Allan-Marianna Middle, John Harcus-Holmes County High, Robin Prickett-Cottdonale High, Kim Everett-Marianna Middle, Ron Branning-Baptist College of Florida, Rita Lewis- Liberty County High.

### Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Motion by Barbara Hemmert/ Neil Gray to dispense with reading of previous minutes. Passed.

### Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Jamie Standland reported that our balance is \$500.00 and that FSMA will mail summer balance in about two weeks.

### Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

James Perry was present and gave a presentation on Music Advocacy issues with FBA and FMEA.

- Directors are encouraged to form a parent network for immediate action and reaction to Legislative proposals that affect Florida School Music.
- FSMA wants one representative from each county to be a legislative contact for music advocacy.

Mr. Perry also distributed a Music Advocacy Survey, applications for “Maestro”, and the FMEA/ FSMA Legislative talking points.

Also distributed were fliers for The American Horn Quartet. This Quartet will be performing as part of the Clinic/ Conference in Tampa in January.

Mr. Perry also urged everyone to attend the second general session at the Conference in January. The topic will be Music Advocacy.

Also discussed was the three year graduation option now in place in Florida. Directors are asked to check with their Guidance Counselors to see how many students have selected this option. Directors need to report at the end of September on how this has affected their programs.

District Chairman, Jamie Stanland urged the directors to be proactive about protecting the band programs in their schools. Be aware of what is happening around you so that there are no surprises.

## **Item 6: Communications/Distribution of Packets**

Packets were distributed.

The new Festival Program will be sent out at the beginning of September. The old program will no longer work, so everyone must purchase the new program. The cost is \$20.00 and will be assessed in January.

Gary Nichols raised a concern that the new program will not be MAC compatible. Jamie Standland will check into this issue.

## **Item 7: Unfinished Business**

None at this time.

## **Item 8: Committee Reports**

None at this time.

## **Item 9: New Business**

Membership forms and enrollment forms are due no later that Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>  
You can send your check to FMEA or pay dues on-line.  
FSMA school dues payment due by Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>. (your school must be current on FSMA dues)

Classification forms are due Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> to the District Chairman.  
Please take note of due dates and fines that are applicable for late payments)

All-state auditions: Site-Arnold High School  
Date- Sept.15<sup>th</sup>  
Time- Begins at 4:00 pm

All-State applications are due to the district chair by Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>. (please turn in all-state contract with The application.

Recording monitors: Bill Thompson, Jamie Birdwell, and Barbara Hemmert  
Script readers: David Naron, Michelle Birdwell, and Tommy Grimes.

Recording equipment provided by: Chipley High, Marianna High, and Bay High.

Directors are reminded that they must attend auditions if they have a student auditioning.  
Please screen students carefully. This is an audition for exceptionally talented and prepared  
Students

Small Schools Honor Band nomination forms and fees are due to Richard Davenport at Chipley  
High School by Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>. (fee is \$15.00 per school)

7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Honor Band nomination forms and fees are due to Cathy Leibinger by Sept.25<sup>th</sup>.  
(fee is \$15.00 per school)

Her address : Ransom Everglades Middle School  
2045 S. Bayshore Drive  
Coconut Grove, Fl. 33133

Please have Honor Band Forms in on time. Late forms will not be accepted.

District 2 Small Schools Honor Band is scheduled for January 30<sup>th</sup> / 31<sup>st</sup>. Amy Allan from  
Marianna Middle is coordinator and more information is coming soon.

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

Marching MPA. Date: October 25<sup>th</sup>.  
Site: Tommy Oliver Stadium  
Host: Arnold High School

- Directors are reminded that one (1) band parent per school will be permitted to video Performances from the Press Box.
- Encore Photos will again photography services at the completion of each band performance.

Solo/ Ensemble Festival Date: Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>  
Site: Florida Baptist College in Graceville

Concert (North) Date: March 12<sup>th</sup>  
Site: Chipley High School  
(South) Date: March 13<sup>th</sup>  
Site: Panama City

## **Item 11: District MPA Adjudicators**

Marching MPA: James Smith, Tom Fitzpatrick, Richard DeLa Fuente, Steve McClendon,  
Eddie Steadman

Solo/ Ensemble: Nancy Thiele, Richard DeLa Fuente, Carol Franks, Tom Fitzpatrick, Jim Knight,

**Item 12: Nominations for Adjudicators List**

None at this time.

**Item 13: Suggestions to State Committees**

None at this time.

**Item 14: Proposals to the Executive Board**

None at this time.

**Item 15: Other**

Discussion was made about the proper treatment of the American Flag during half time shows. Directors were urged that if they are using the Flag during their shows that proper etiquette be Followed.

**Item 16: For the Good of the Association**

It was brought to the attention of the membership that new music store has opened in the area. The owners of this store are selling non-reputable instruments and are causing problems when the Band directors refuse to allow these instruments in their programs. Mr. Perry suggested calling Pasco County music supervisor, Kathy Sands, and inquire as to how her county has handled to same problem.

Several of our directors are expecting additions to their families. Congratulation to Jim Colvin and And wife, Richard Davenport and wife, and Mitch Bouyington and wife. (life is about to change)

**Item 17: Next Meeting Date**

Date: November, 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Site: Rosenwald Middle School

**Item 18: Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn: Colvin/ Williams. Passed

**Name of District Secretary:**

**Signature: Tony Taylor**