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FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 69th year DISTRICT MEETING #3 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-04)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 1	MEETING DATE: <u>Wednesday, January 12th, 2005</u>
MEETING NUMBER: 3	MEETING LOCATION: <u>Gulf Breeze High School</u>

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Chairman Eddie Steadman called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Mr. Steadman offered a word of thanks to Mr. Neal McLeod, band director at Gulf Breeze High School and his band parents for hosting the meeting and providing dinner. This was echoed by the members.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Stacy Rhode	Woodlawn Beach MS	Tim Willis	Bailey MS
Brian York	Pensacola HS	Jordan Wood	Escambia HS
Nicole O’Neill	Ferry Pass MS	Amanda Ralston	Wedgewood MS
Ed Watts	Pine Forest HS	Larry Coleman	Bellevue MS
Lawrence Young	Washington HS	Chris Martin	Pensacola Christian Academy
Lilly Nelson	Pensacola Christian	Nick Kozar	Pensacola Christian Academy
Bobby Lyles	Pensacola Christian	Glenda Jones	West Florida Home Education
Gray Weaver	Milton HS	John Dunlap	Pace HS
Neal McLeod	Gulf Breeze HS	Lonny Finley	Pace HS
Pete Krostag	Pine Forest HS	Joe Hooten	Tate HS
Roy King	LSU	Dan Wooten	Niceville
Mike Philley	Woodham HS	Tom Ewing	Retired
John Wilk	Retired	Mark York	Brown Barge MS
Daniel Smith	Ft. Walton Beach HS	Allison Scallan	Intern – Choctawhatchee HS
Chris Mastell	Intern – FWBHS	Alicia Trevino	Holley-Navarre MS
Susie Smithey	Gulf Breeze MS	Tony Chiarito	Baker MS / HS
Travis Coakley	Tate HS	Patricia Maness	Ransom MS
Janie Walker	Ransom MS	Scott LaBorde	Bruner MS
Randy Nelson	Choctawhatchee HS	Chad Hannah	Choctawhatchee HS
Daniel Akins	Davidson MS	Hank Phillips	Navarre MS
Eddie Steadman	Ruckel MS	Jody Dunn	Crestview HS

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting are posted on the FBA website.

Chairman Steadman entertained a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. (Hannah/Hooten)

PASSED

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

FBA District 1 account: \$7,240.03
District 1 assessment: \$4.40

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

Chairman Steadman reminded and encouraged all to join the efforts of music advocacy through membership in and awareness of M.A.E.S.T.R.O. Parents, boosters, community supporters, administrators were mentioned as potential advocates.

FBA contribution to FSMA lobbying efforts in Tallahassee is \$5,000.00.

Legislative county contacts:

Rose Alfrey, Santa Rosa County; Shirley Andrews, Okaloosa County; Katrina Smith, Escambia County

Chairman Steadman led a discussion concerning the P.E. legislation that continues to surface in Tallahassee.

Tim Willis discussed the problematic ramifications of this legislation as it relates to the middle school band student's inability to take more than one elective. Mr. Willis went on to cite reports concerning adolescent obesity as rationale for the legislation. Chairman Steadman reported that the same ill effects would be seen in Okaloosa County, having an impact on new, popular programs such as C.H.O.I.C.E.S., where students learn web design, for example. Parental advocacy was encouraged.

Item 6: Communications

Ferry Pass Middle School requests to participate out-of-district for Concert MPA.

Chairman Steadman will refer this to the District Chairman involved. The members expressed no objection.

Item 7: Unfinished Business

December Executive Board Meeting (As reported by Chairman Eddie Steadman)

Glenda Jones' motion to add student conductor tunes passed. The second motion regarding the Fillmore competition was referred to the music committee.

As you may be aware, the All-State lists were not posted this year for the general public. In order to view the list, the director had to enter his / her ID number. This was done in order to protect the students' privacy and to avoid liability issues.

(Chairman Steadman posed the following questions: Who listens / judges the tapes? What are the criteria? The answer is coming in the form of a standardized audition sheet. Mr. Steadman mentioned the possibility of this sheet and the standardized expectations being used in better preparation of our students.)

Paula Thornton brought forth an idea to establish an award to recognize directors who have developed a well established program who might not otherwise have the opportunity to be recognized. Each district would have a chance to nominate a candidate. A committee led by David Fultz will study this and get back to the board.

There was a big marching band discussion concerning "Show Bands" vs. "Traditional FBA Bands". This is more of a problem down state where a number of schools participate in "Battle of the Bands" shows and do not participate in FBA activities.

(Tim Willis asked that if a band does not participate in an FBA marching MPA, are those students allowed to participate in solo and ensemble? Chairman Steadman confirmed that they were not, in fact eligible. Dan Wooten asked the same question regarding All State. Gray Weaver offered that All State participation was linked to participation in Concert MPA.)

Item 8: Committee Reports

No committees to report at this time.

Item 9: New Business

S&E MPA

Festival for Schools Program – Entry disks, printed forms & assessment checks are due (in hand) to Eddie Steadman by Friday, January 21st. Mr. Steadman asked that directors take the effort to make certain that their submission is as correct as possible. There is a new tutorial prepared by Josh Bula, director at Leon High School and Technology Chairman available for pick-up at tonight's meeting.

S&E Information:

Friday, February 18th and Saturday February 19th, 2005 at Gulf Breeze High School

High Schools will be scheduled on Friday and Middle Schools will be scheduled on Saturday unless a special request is made.

Mr. Steadman asked for anyone who owned pianos that could be rented for use at S&E to sign the piano rental form before leaving if they could.

Directors were admonished to list accompanists' first and last names. It is important that if two schools are using the same accompanist that both schools list the name exactly...so ask!

Neil McLeod explained the minor conflict with the Gulf Breeze gym in regard to its use for auxiliaries at S&E. Alternate sites will be explored. There are several possibilities.

Chairman Steadman said that district 11 is in a pilot program to do all festival registration on-line and to look for this as early as next year.

Mr. Steadman further explained that directors must use the official, complete name of your school when filling out the Festival for Schools forms.

Jazz MPA:

Friday, February 25th, 2005 at Crestview High School.

All bands will be scheduled on Friday

Adjudicators: John Bradley, ????

Recording: Vestige Audio (\$40.00 per band)

Jody Dunn said that the Jazz MPA would begin at 12:00; a break will be taken between 1:30 and 2:00 to allow school to dismiss, then the MPA would resume at 2:15pm.

Concert MPA (HS):

Dates: Friday, March 11th and Saturday, March 12th, 2005

Site: Fort Walton Beach High School

Other Info: Adjudicators: Michael Walsh, Ward Green, Tony Pike and John Bradley(SR)

Recording: Vestige Audio (\$35.00) per band

Concert MPA (MS)

Dates: Friday, April 8th and Saturday, April 9th, 2005

Site: Bailey Middle School and Fort Walton Beach High School

Scheduling of bands will be according to size within class. Special requests will be case by case.

Adjudicators: Rodney Dasinger, Alex Kaminsky, Billy Thompson and John Bradley(SR)

Recording: Vestige Audio (\$35.00 per band)

Item 10: State MPA Dates and Sites

State S&E / Jazz / Auxiliary MPA North: March 28-30, 2005 @ Bartram Trail HS, Jacksonville

South: March 21-23, 2005 @ Palmetto Ridge HS, Naples

State Concert Band MPA

North: April 18-23, 2005 @ Wesley Chapel HS

South: April 18-23, 2005 @ North Port HS

Much discussion ensued at this point between several high school directors concerning the fact that the site for the North State Concert Band MPA is, in fact, not even close to being in the north part of the state. Randy Nelson offered that the venue needs to match the magnitude of the event.

Item 11: Election of Officers (if applicable)

N/A

Item 12: District MPA Dates for Next Year

Marching MPA: October 15th, 2005 (Willis / Hannah) PASSED
Solo & Ensemble: February 17 & 18, 2006 (Weaver / Chiarito) PASSED
Jazz MPA: February 24, 2006 (Willis / Finley) PASSED
HS Concert MPA: March 10th & 11th, 2006 (Nelson / Cadle) PASSED
MS Concert MPA: April 6th & 7th, 2006 (Hooten / Wooten) PASSED

Item 13: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)

Craig Hamilton

Item 14: Nominations for All-State Clinicians

Dave Steinmeyer – Jazz

Item 15: Suggestions to State Committees

Mr. Steadman heard requests from various members to have larger rooms for some of the clinics at FMEA. A concern for an instrument company called “1st Act” having a booth at FMEA clinic was voiced. The concern stemmed from the fact that these instruments are sold at Wal Mart and are not, apparently, of the highest quality.

Item 16: Proposals to the Executive Board

NONE

Item 16: Other

Chairman Steadman encouraged all directors to attend the “Meet the Clinicians” session at FMEA clinic. He said it is a rewarding, informative experience.

Gray Weaver asked about the status of the requirement to have all certified judges. Chairman Steadman said he asked Dr. Bentley Shallahammer about this while at FMEA Clinic. As a part of this conversation, Mr. Steadman asked Dr. Shellahammer about having out-of-state judges certified. Dr. Shallahammer told Mr. Steadman that the state adjudication certification applied only to in-state judges, not only at State MPA’s, but to all out-of-state adjudicators at any MPA.

Tim Willis encouraged all directors to attend the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic.

Joe Hooten encouraged all members to attend all aspects of concert MPA. He encouraged directors to bring students to listen to other bands. This sentiment was echoed by Jeff Adams.

Item 17: For the Good of the Association

Neil McLeod invited everyone to attend the Santa Rosa All-County Band concert. Jim Dodd is the middle school clinician and Dr. Joe Hebert is the high school clinician.

Randy Nelson invited all to attend the Okaloosa All-County Band concert. Annette Grieve is the middle school clinician and Ernest Hebson is the high school clinician.

Item 18: Next Meeting Date

April 20, 2005 @ Milton High School

Item 19: Adjournment

Chairman Steadman entertained a motion to adjourn at 7:26pm (Finley / Hooten) PASSED

Name of District Secretary:

Joseph W. “Jody” Dunn

Signature:

Respectfully submitted,
Jody Dunn