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FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 69th year DISTRICT MEETING #4 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-04.1)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 2	MEETING DATE: April 25, 2005
MEETING NUMBER: 4	MEETING LOCATION: The Stryker's

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

7:00 PM meeting called to order by Chairman

Thank you to the Stryker's for hosting and providing dinner for our meeting again this year.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Jamie Birdwell	Mosley HS
Michelle Birdwell	Surfside MS
Jim Colvin	Marianna HS
Rodney Dasinger	Rutherford HS
Richard Davenport	Chipley HS
Dave Fortuna	Everitt MS
Neil Gray	Bozeman LC
Tommy Grimes	Jinks MS
Barbara Hemmert	Jinks MS
Angelo Lindine	Marianna HS
Lou Lyda	Merritt Brown MS
Gary Nichols	Arnold HS
Sue Nicholson	Seaside
Harry Patzig	Walton HS
Bill Qualls	Bay Haven CA
Terry Stryker	Wewa HS
Tony Taylor	Rosenwald MS
Bill Thompson	Mowat MS

Guests present: Laurie Dasinger, Melissa Gray, David Nicholson

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Minutes are posted on website

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Proposed 2005-2006 Budget presented and approved

Motion to accept budget as presented (Lyda/Taylor) PASSED

Item 5: Announcements, etc.:

Item 6: Music Advocacy Issues with FBA and FSMA

FSMA/FMEA Legislative Alert - April 19, 2005

HB 879 passed the Florida House of Representatives this afternoon. The bill language is:

"The Department of Education shall evaluate the extent to which the Sunshine State Standards in the arts are being taught in each school district in kindergarten through grade 12. The evaluation shall include an analysis of student FCAT achievement levels compared to Sunshine State Standards arts instruction and enrollment in art courses. The results of this evaluation shall be provided to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President of the Senate by December 1, 2005."

We view this bill as a preliminary step in the effort to address Fine Arts instruction in public schools. The bill's sponsor, Representative Dorothy Hukill, Volusia, has indicated her strong interest in following up the study's results with a substantive bill. As in the past, the grassroots of our community have attracted a fair amount of attention as the bill progressed through the committee structure in the House.

The bill (HB 879) will be sent to the Florida Senate which will either address it or take up its own bill, SB 126 for further consideration. When we know what action is taken by the Florida Senate, we will let you know.

Please do send Rep. Hukill (dorothy.hukill@myfloridahouse.gov) a brief note thanking her for her efforts on behalf of Fine Arts education.

Thank you,

James Perry
FMEA/FSMA

Item 7: Unfinished Business

None

Item 8: Committee Reports

None

Item 9: New Business

Motion: To increase FBA Marching assessment gate form \$4.00 to \$5.00 (Lyda/Lindine) PASSED

Item 10: District Adjudicators for Next School Year

John Bradley

Joe David

Byron Dawes

Richard Dela Fuente

Johnny Folsom

Jim Knight

Steve McClendon
Chuck Perego
Tony Pike
Steve Simms
Nancy Thiele

Send suggestion to Jamie & Michelle Birdwell.

Item 11: Nominations for State MPA Adjudicators

None

Item 12: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)

Mickey Grove – all captions

Item 13: Suggestions to State Committees

None

Item 14: Proposals to the Executive Board

None

Item 15: Correspondence

Mosley HS to host Marching MPA

Meeting dates for next year:

August 15 th	Barbara Hemmert – Jinks MS
November 14 th	Neil Gray – Bozeman
January 17 th	Richard Davenport – Chipley HS
April 24 th	The Stryker's

Dinner at 6:00 PM
Meeting at 7:00 PM

Item 16: For the Good of the Association

Summer Convention: **July 7-9 at the Altamonte Hilton in Orlando.**

The keynote speaker and guest clinician will be Frank Wickes, director of bands at LSU.

Other clinicians include David Schmidt, Dave Fultz, Jane Sholine, Abby Powell, Linda Boone, and the Southern Winds conducted by Dr. Bobby Adams.

Item 17: Next Meeting Date

August 15 th	Barbara Hemmert – Jinks MS
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Dinner at 6:00 PM
Meeting at 7:00 PM

Item 18: Adjournment

Motion to adjourn (Hemmert/Lyda) PASSED

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM

Name of District Secretary:

Signature:

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Birdwell