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

DISTRICT NUMBER: IV	MEETING DATE: Monday, May 9th, 2005
MEETING NUMBER: 4	MEETING LOCATION: Hawthorne Jr/Sr High

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Meeting called to order by chairman W. Everett McConn at 6:58 PM
Thank you to Band Central Station and new manager, Mike Summers, for providing dinner.
Thank you to Marco Thomas and the Hawthorne Jr/Sr Band for hosting our meeting.
Introduction of new district secretary, Joe Hartley.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Lori Pirzer, Joe Hartley, Marco Thomas, Bill Pirzer, Jason Dobson, Sherri Broadway, Clay Cobb, Mike Williams, Everett McConn, Amy Beres, William Garrett, Jamie Garrett, Paula Thornton, Vicki Nolan, Kelly Dorsey, Jim Rothgeb, Mike Johnson, Mike Reynolds, Alvin Johnson, Todd Eckstein

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Motion to dispense with reading the minutes - Williams/Dorsey

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Current Budget Status: \$7,839.69
Proposed Budget for Next Year: \$35,000.00

Item 5: Announcements, etc.:

Phillip Porter's Son – Please keep Phillip and his family in your prayers. His son was diagnosed with Leukemia and is starting a chemotherapy treatment.

John Henry – Please keep John Henry and his family in your prayers. Mr. Henry was diagnosed with renal carcinoma, a very aggressive form of cancer, and is currently undergoing treatment in Jacksonville. The band boosters have set up an account at the Perkins State Bank in Williston for anyone that would like to contribute.

All-State requirements are currently on the FBA website. There are some changes from last year and they are being updated every day. Make sure that you are updated on the changes.

Item 6: Music Advocacy Issues with FBA and FSMA

Make sure that you and your band parents are reading and responding to all FSMA alerts. They are really good about letting us know when changes, good or bad, are taking place.

Item 7: Unfinished Business

- Complete adjudicator evaluation forms for Solo/Ensemble and Concert MPA's
- New Director's Orientation: We will have a new director's orientation at 5:00pm before the first meeting.
 - Amy Beres, Bill Pirzer and Lori Pirzer will write up a packet for new directors for next year. It will contain a check list for Mentors and New Directors as well a month by month guide of what they should be doing.
- **Marching MPA** – We will start at 1:00 pm
Motion to have Marching MPA at Columbia High School – Williams/Johnson **Motion Passes**
Joe Hartley is going to contact the UF marching band about performing at our MPA.
- **All-state Auditions** – **Motion** – to have auditions on September 24th, Dorsey/Williams **Motion Passes**
Motion – to have auditions at Eastside High School Williams/Thomas **Motion Passes**
September 24th, 2005 @ Eastside High School
- **Solo & Ensemble** – 2 requests to host this event from Mebane MS and Kanapaha MS. Each letter was read and then members voted on their choice through secret ballot.
We will have our S&E/Jazz MPA at Mebane Middle School next year.
- **High School Concert MPA** – We do not have a site for this event. If you are interested in hosting this event, please contact Everett McConn.
Motion to table until the first meeting – Williams/Cobb **Motion Passes.**
- **Middle School Concert MPA** - We do not have a site for this event. If you are interested in hosting this event, please contact Everett McConn.
Motion to table until the first meeting – Williams/Broadway **Motion Passes.**

Item 8: Committee Reports

None

Item 9: New Business

The district received a letter from Keystone Heights Jr./Sr. High School that indicated their wish to remain in District IV as opposed to moving to the new district.

- **Motion** – To allow Keystone Heights Jr/Sr. High School to remain in District IV pending Executive Board Approval. Williams/Cobb **Motion Passes**

The district received a letter from Q.I. Roberts Middle School that indicated their wish to remain in District IV as opposed to moving to the new district.

- **Motion** – To allow Q.I. Roberts Middle School to remain in District IV pending Executive Board Approval. Williams/Dorsey **Motion Passes**

Item 10: District Adjudicators for Next School Year

For Middle School Concert MPA

- Doug Yopp
- Mike Waller
- We are in need of a third judge for the stage.
- SR – Needed

If you have any suggestions for Adjudicators for Marching, HS/MS Concert, S&E or Jazz, contact: W. Everett McConn – mconnwe@sbac.edu

Item 11: Nominations for State MPA Adjudicators

None

Item 12: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)

Motion - to Nominate Masatoshi Enomoto for the Adjudicator's List, Beres/Johnson **Motion Passes**

There was discussion on Mr. Enomoto as he works with several Alachua County bands and their percussion sections.

The membership voted by secret ballot – **YES!!!!**

Item 13: Suggestions to State Committees

None

Item 14: Proposals to the Executive Board

Motion:

To amend the FBA handbook to allow small high schools to use 8th grade students in their marching bands and reclassify as JS/CC for marching season. The high school must meet the following requirements:

- The high school must be a C, CC or B school.
- The high school must have only one (1) feeder middle school.
- The middle school student(s) involved must be enrolled in the middle school band program.
- The middle school student(s) involved would be held to the same academic requirements as high school students.
- The directors and principals of the middle and high school must sign and submit a letter of cooperation to the district chair.

This amendment does not supersede the current requirements for concert band and the middle school and high school bands would still perform at their own Concert MPA.

Rationale:

Currently the FBA handbook requires that one director teach at *both* the high school and middle school to use 8th grade students in the marching band. This proposal would amend this requirement and allow small, community high schools to use 8th grade students in their marching bands. The 8th grade students would benefit from the additional performance experience and challenge of the high school marching program, and the high school students would benefit from a stronger program and the opportunity to mentor middle school students. This in turn could potentially increase the number of students that would stay in band in high school.

**Several schools in our district have already done this, with approval of the executive director, and it have been successful in building and maintaining marching programs in small schools.

Motion by Lori Pirzer Seconded by Kelly Dorsey

Motion Passes

Item 15: Correspondence

None

Item 16: For the Good of the Association

- Congratulations to Corey Mulvihill and his wife. Their daughter was born at 2:30 pm on Monday, May 9th. Her name is Grace Ella Mulvihill and she is 6lbs, 7oz.
- Congratulations to Paula Thornton. She is now on the board of directors for the Midwest Clinic.

- Robert Sheldon will be the conductor and clinician for the 2005-2006 Clay County All-County Honor Band.

Upcoming Concerts:

- Fort Clarke Middle School – Tuesday, May 17th @ 7pm, UMA
- Mebane Middle School – Thursday, May 12th @ 6:30 pm, Mebane MS
- Oak View Middle School – Thursday, May 12th @ 7pm, Oak View MS

Summer Convention:

- July 7-9
- You should have received registration materials in the mail.
- Very educational and hands-on experience
- Frank Wicks and Dr. Bobby Adams will be conducting the “Director’s Band” this year.

Job Openings Next Year:

- Keystone Heights Jr/Sr High School

Teachers of the Year:

- Congratulations to Charlie Rankin – Teacher of the Year at Orange Park Jr. High
- Congratulations to Joe Hartley – Teacher of the Year at Q.I. Roberts MS

Retirements: None

Item 17: Next Meeting Date

Monday, August 22nd, 2205

Fort Clarke Middle School

5:00 PM – New Director’s Meeting

6:30 PM – Social / 7:00 PM - Meeting

Item 18: Adjournment

Motion to adjourn – Cobb/Williams **Motion Passes**

Name of District Secretary:

Lori Pirzer

Signature:

Lori Pirzer