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FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 70th year DISTRICT MEETING #3 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-05)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 1	MEETING DATE: 1-18-06
MEETING NUMBER: 3	MEETING LOCATION: Gulf Breeze High School

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Chairman Eddie Steadman called the meeting to order at 6:07pm.

Thanks to the Gulf Breeze High School Band Parents for hosting tonight's meeting.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

John Dunlap	Pace HS	Neal McLeod	Gulf Breeze HS
Dan Wooten	Niceville HS	Tim Willis	Bailey MS
Larry Coleman	Bellview MS	Lilly Nelson	Pensacola Christian
Nick Kosar	Pensacola Christian	Chris Martin	Pensacola Christian
Bobby Lyles	Pensacola Christian	Hank Phillips	Pryor MS
William Shaner	Sims MS	David Riggs	Avalon MS
Randy Folsom	Fort Walton Beach HS	John Buckley	Fort Walton Beach HS (Intern)
Daniel Smith	Fort Walton Beach HS	Scott LaBorde	Bruner MS
Mike Philley	Woodham HS	Doug Holsworth	Escambia HS
Kim Odom	Bailey MS	Alicia Trevino	Holley-Navarre MS
John Wilk	Retired	Tom Ewing	Retired
Stacy Rohde	Woodlawn Beach MS	Pete Krostag	Pine Forest HS
Tony Chiarito	Baker MS/HS	Susan Smithey	Gulf Breeze MS
Connie Pettis	Jay HS	Nathan Witter	NWFL Home Education
Melanie Foote	Liza Jackson Prep School	Paul Harris	Meigs MS
Janie Walker	Ransom MS	Patricia Maness	Ransom MS
Tommy Pearson	Workman MS	Amanda Ralston	Wedgewood MS
Nicole O'Neill	Ferry Pass MS	Allison Scallon	Warrington MS
Gray Weaver	Milton MS	Daniel Akins	Davidson MS
Randy Nelson	Choctawhatchee HS	Jody Dunn	Crestview HS
Chris Tredway	Lewis MS	Scott Nall	Navarre HS
Lawrence Young, Jr.	Booker T. Washington HS	Travis Coakley	Tate HS
Joe Hooten	Tate HS	Stacy Yarborough	Navarre HS

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Members are encouraged to read minutes as posted on the FBA website.

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

District I currently has a balance of \$14,616.84. All outstanding bills are paid.

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

Chairman Steadman led a lengthy discussion of recent events in Escambia County where a movement to do away with seventh period was narrowly defeated at a recent board meeting. Several members voiced their various levels of participation. Mr. Steadman shared an account of his meeting in Tampa with leaders of FSMA and FMEA as well as directors from Escambia County. He was encouraged to be proactive in mobilizing parental support for the arts in education. It was suggested that coalitions of band parents / boosters be formed to be a vocal political force in securing the continuation of our programs. Escambia County just barely missed losing the seven-period day and as Mr. Steadman put it, "we are one un-funded mandate away" from losing it in Okaloosa and Santa Rosa counties.

Mike Philley, who has led the fight in Escambia County offered the following points:

James Perry is a valuable, highly responsive means of support in our fight for advocacy.

We must organize and mobilize our parental support groups by connecting our booster presidents and by forming county-wide booster organizations that will be the voice of opposition to any political move to cut the arts.

Joe Hooten offered thanks to Mr. Philley for shouldering this burden and leading the fight. Mr. Hooten said that it was "almost too late".

Mr. Steadman advised that we must always make the argument about the students, not our jobs or our programs. We must use our parental influence to bring pressure to bear on the legislature.

Item 6: Communications

Recording at the Jazz and Concert MPA's will be done by Opus Recording of Orlando.

Item 7: Unfinished Business

Chairman Steadman encouraged the members to look at the new all-state adjudication sheet found in the December Bandmaster. It is very different than what we are doing now. He expressed concern about the obvious decline in the number of District I students being selected for all-state in recent years. A lot of counties have adopted these sheets for use in their all-county auditions.

Item 8: Committee Reports

None

Item 9: New Business

S&E MPA Entry forms and disks collected. Chairman Steadman said, "Please make sure you have taken care of this before you leave. If there are any errors in your assessment, make sure you and I communicate about it."

S&E Information:

Friday and Saturday, Feb. 17-18, 2006 at Gulf Breeze High School.

High School students will be scheduled on Friday and Middle School on Saturday. As always, there will be a few exceptions to this. Special requests should be kept to a minimum.

Jazz MPA:

Date: Friday, Feb. 24, 2006
Site: Crestview High School
Adjudicators: Steve Sims – Fairhope, AL
Steve McLendon – Dothan, AL
John Bradley – Monroeville, AL

High School Concert MPA:

Dates: Friday and Saturday, March 10 & 11, 2006
Site: Ft. Walton Beach HS
Adjudicators: Steve Sims – Fairhope, AL
Steve McLendon – Dothan, AL
Dr. Shelby Chipman – FAMU
Joe Reimer (SR) – Fairhope, AL

Middle School Concert MPA:

Dates: Thursday and Friday, April 6 & 7, 2006
Site: Ft. Walton Beach HS
Adjudicators: Annette Grieve – New Port Richey, FL
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TBA
Richard Davenport (SR) – Chipley, FL

Item 10: State MPA Dates and Sites

North State Solo & Ensemble MPA

Dates: March 27-29, 2006
Site: Westport High School, Ocala, FL

North State Concert MPA

Dates: April 24-28, 2006
Site: Fort Walton Beach HS

Item 11: Election of Officers (if applicable)

MOTION Willis / Philley

Move that Jody Dunn, current district secretary, be approved as Chairman-elect for 2006-2008.

PASSED

Nominations for district secretary were opened by Chairman Steadman.

Neal McLeod and Mike Philley were nominated from the floor.

MOTION Willis / Weaver

Close nominations.

PASSED

Dan Wooten spoke on behalf of Mr. Philley.

Gray Weaver spoke on behalf of Mr. McLeod.

After votes were tallied, Mike Philley was elected to the position of district secretary for 2006-2008.

Item 12: District MPA Dates for Next Year

Marching MPA: Oct. 14, 2006
S&E: Feb. 16-17, 2007
Jazz MPA: Feb. 23, 2007
HS Concert MPA: March 9-10, 2007
MS Concert MPA: April 12-13, 2007

Secretary's note: Much confusing, conflicting discussion took place concerning the above dates, especially the MS Concert MPA. It was agreed that we would record these dates with the understanding that further discussion and possible amendments would follow.

Item 13: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)

MOTION Wooten / Willis

Nominate Pete Krostag for the adjudicators list.

PASSED

Item 14: Nominations for All-State Clinicians

None

Item 15: Suggestions to State Committees

Tim Willis suggested that once music is placed on the music list, it should stay there. When S&E music is added, it should be put at the end of the list.

Randy Folsom expressed concern over the poor choice of rooms for clinics at FMEA convention. Most FBA clinics / meetings were in rooms too small to accommodate all that wished to attend.

Item 16: Proposals to the Executive Board

(must be in the form of a motion)

None

Item 17: Other

None

Item 18: For the Good of the Association

Chairman Steadman read a letter of appreciation from Connie Pettis in response to her nomination and selection as a recipient of the Tom Bishop Award.

The Santa Rosa County All-County concert will be Friday, January 20th at the 1st Baptist Church of Milton.

The Escambia County All-County concert will be January 24th. Clinicians are Robert W. Smith, Darrel Evans and Roy King.

The Okaloosa County All-county concert will be January 28th at OWC at 2:00pm. Clinicians are Richard Davenport and Dr. Steven Moser.

Item 19: Next Meeting Date

Wednesday, April 19, 2006 @ Tate HS

Item 20: Adjournment

MOTION Wooten / Hooten

To adjourn

PASSED

Meeting was adjourned at 7:32

Name of District Secretary:

Jody Dunn

Signature:

Respectfully submitted,

Jody Dunn