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

DISTRICT NUMBER: 3	MEETING DATE: January 21, 2006
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Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

Meeting was called to order at 10:07am.

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Michael Antmann, Swift Creek Middle School
Ruthie Antmann, Holy Comforter Episcopal School
Josh Bula, Leon High School
Alex Kaminsky, Lincoln High School
Chuck Perego, Raa Middle School
Nathan White, Griffin Middle School
Marcus Scott, Nims Middle School
Jon Jones, Godby High School
Quincy Griffin, Rickards High School
Mike German, Chiles High School
Becky Carlan, Wakulla High School
Monica Leimer, Riversprings Middle School
Lee Cook, Taylor County Middle School
Marc Lentsch, Suwannee High School
Jennifer Corzine, Maclay School
Wayne Bresette, Florida State University School

Guests:

Mark Henkin, Lifeline Audio

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Motion to wave reading of minutes – (Carlan/Perez) **PASSED**

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

Checking Account: \$6,001.70

Assessments are due at this meeting, so this figure should substantially increase after the deposit.

This figure does not include the \$2,500.00 that is going to be moved from the All-District account (see minutes of the November meeting).

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues

AWE- Arts work in Education is the Political Action Committee that James Perry talked to us about at the first meeting this year. It has nothing to do with FSMA or FMEA. It is an organization designed to lobby for support from candidates before they are elected. More info is at <http://www.centerforfineartseducation.org/awe/index.html>

Item 6: Communications

The following bands have requested to perform at Concert MPA for “Comments Only”:
Wakulla High School (2nd Band) – German/Kaminsky **PASSED**
Ft. Braden Band – Jones/White **PASSED**

The following band has requested to perform at Jazz MPA for “Comments Only”:
Taylor County Middle School – Lentsch/Carlan **PASSED**

Item 7: Unfinished Business

none

Item 8: Committee Reports

All-District Band (Mike Antmann)

- Thank you to all of the directors who are participating in the All-District Band
- Every participating student and director will receive a free copy of the concert CD.
- It is very important that every (participating) director be present at all times during rehearsals, this is a serious liability issue.
- Special thanks to Mike German for being an excellent host.

The All-District coordinator asked for suggestions for next year’s clinicians:

Bill Weidrich

John Gorecki

Jim Matthews

Gary Green

Item 9: New Business

S&E MPA Entry forms and disks collected—you should have already e-mailed your entry file to Josh Bula.

S&E Information:

Auxiliaries: February 10: Madison County

February 10-11, at FSU

Concert MPA:

Dates:MS-March 9-10 HS: March 10-11

Site:MS-Opperman HS-Leon HS

Other Info:

Schedules for S/E and Concert will be sent out and posted on the district website sometime this week.

Item 10: State MPA Dates and Sites

North State S&E: March 27, 28, 29, 2006 West Port High School in Ocala

South State S&E: April 10, 11, 12, 2006 Northeast High School in Ft. Lauderdale

North State Band: April 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 2006 Ft. Walton Beach High School in Ft. Walton Beach

South State Band: April 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 2006 Vero Beach High School, Vero Beach

Item 11: Election of Officers

Josh Bula - Chairman

Mike Antmann - Secretary

Item 12: District MPA Dates for Next Year

The chairman suggested the following dates, based on last years calendar:

Marching: October 28, 2006

District Honor Band; January 18-20, 2007

Solo/Ensemble/Jazz: February 9-10, 2007*

MS Concert, March 8-9, 2007

HS Concert, March 9-10, 2007

Some concerns and suggestions were expressed about the middle school concert MPA.

Motion to accept the above dates pending the meeting of a “middle school concert MPA” committee. If an alternate date is not agreed on by March 1, 2006, the dates will stand as is. (Leimer/Perez) **PASSED**

***Note: Due to conflicts at FSU for the Solo/Ensemble/Jazz MPA, the date has been changed to February 16-17, 2007. (discussed via email; approved 2/27/06)**

Item 13: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)

Holly Kennedy for S/E Brass/Woodwind **PASSED**

Chuck Perego – Concert Sightreading **PASSED**

Item 14: Nominations for All-State Clinicians

Alex Kaminsky – Small Schools Honor Band

John Carmichael – 9/10 band

Clinic on teaching music to ESE students.

Item 15: Suggestions to State Committees

Middle School Participation at FMEA convention – Concerns were expressed about the location of the middle school band rehearsals. Several directors feel that the middle school students should be rehearsing at the convention center. Rationale includes:

- There were some discipline issues at the hotels this year, but the middle school directors were across town, and had difficulty getting back and forth to deal with them.
- Middle school students are much more dependant than high school students, and need their teachers near by; in many cases the band director is also serving as chaperone.
- Middle school students miss out on much of the “All-State experience.” They are unable to see concerts and the exhibits due to rehearsal locations and time-frames.
- One director mentioned his students seemed disappointed – all they did was rehearse for many hours, and play a concert, they did not get to experience what high school students did.

- The distance between the middle school students and their directors during the day causes serious liability issues for the schools. As their teachers, we the directors, are ultimately responsible for the safety and well-being of our students.
- The state of band programs in Florida relies heavily on the success of our middle school programs. We urge the Executive board and the appropriate committee to look into this concern, and help us create a better experience for middle school participants.

Item 16: Proposals to the Executive Board

none

Item 16: Other

Mark Henkin of Lifeline Audio spoke about his company's products and services. Brochures and pamphlets were passed out, including information about their new private lessons studio. Thank you to Mark for recording our concert tonight! More info can be found on his website.

Item 17: For the Good of the Association

Fred Humphries and Bud Roberts have passed away. Please look on the FBA website for more details.

MENC Ballot for southern division chair have been mailed out – John Jones spoke on behalf of Mr. Coleman, and urged the membership to participate in this election.

Congrats to Lincoln on their Midwest performance.

Good luck to Josh Bula (Leon) and Mike Antmann (Swift Creek) on their upcoming performance.

Thank you to Mike Antmann and Mike German for their work with the All-District Band.

Item 18: Next Meeting Date

May 8th, Chuck Perego's home.

Item 19: Adjournment

MOTION to adjourn. (Cook/Lentsch) **PASSED**

Name of District Secretary:

Michael Antmann

Signature:

Michael Antmann