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FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION – 70th year DISTRICT MEETING #1 MINUTES FORMAT (ver. 08-05)

DISTRICT NUMBER: 12	MEETING DATE: August 20, 2005
MEETING NUMBER: 1	MEETING LOCATION: Southwest Middle School

Item 1: Call to Order and Introductory Remarks

9:00am meeting called to order Jeff Cayer, Interim District Chairman.

Introduces Dave Fultz, previous district chairmen, to confirm nominations of Jeff Cayer as district chairman and Don West as district secretary. Elected chairmen, Kevin Crawford, moved to Texas over the summer. Jeff Cayer, the elected secretary, was asked to serve as district chairmen. Don West agreed to step into secretary position pending vote of district membership.

Motion (B. Fultz/C. Harris) Motion Passed by vote

Item 2: Members and Guests Present

Jeff Cayer, Jesse Bryant, Don West, Jon Eckman, Jimmy Parker, Nicole Moore, Luis Alvarez, Jason Harden, Barbara Fultz, David Fultz, David Christopher, Jane Sholine, Mike Yopp, Rob Raabe, Jason Gibbs, George DeGuzman, Kathy Johnson, Kevin LeVine, Shawn Barat, Cheryce Harris, Chuck Fulton, Rob Lambert, Dennis LoCurcio, Brad Wharton, Tash David, Mark Lussier, Heather Lundahl, April Malott, Randy Manzi, Jeff Miller, Kent Kesler, Matt Clark, Ron Lagg, Dave Szumlanski, Kristy Leduc, Bryan Osteen, Kristin NeSmith, Ryan Kelly, Frank Nicsinger, Bill Agrella, Lindsay Samuals, John DeYoung

Mentor Assignments

Matt Clark/ Kristy Leduc, Dennis Locurcio/Jane Sholine, Tash David/Cheryce Harris, David Szumlanski/Jeff Cayer, Ryan Kelly and Kristin Nesmith/Rob Lambert, Lindsay Samuals/Heather Lundahl, Jason Gibbs/Bill Agrella, Mike Yopp/Phil Wharton, Jeff Miller/Jon Eckman, Jan Ziegler/Bill Agrella

Item 3: Reading of Previous Minutes

Dispense with reading of minutes (C. Harris/B. Fultz) PASSED

Item 4: Treasurer's Report

End of Past Year's Statement: \$37,490

Proposed Current Year Budget:\$37,440

Item 5: Music Advocacy Issues-FBA/FSMA

Mr. James Perry, Executive Director, FMEA/FSMA

Conference Items

- 2006 FMEA Conference focuses on technology. Will be held jointly with TI:ME
- Continue sessions connecting math and reading goals by using the music curriculum (possible inclusion in Professional Development Plan to address literacy and FCAT goals)
- Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center is under contract for the conference and Saturday afternoon concerts for senior high ensembles
- All-State ticket policy has not changed. Badge is admission. But, TPAC requires a paper ticket. These will be available at online registration or for on-sight purchase at registration. Free to Badge holders until noon on Saturday. At TPAC they will be \$10
- Questions about parking. FMEA/FSMA works with the tourism bureau to try to improve parking conditions; they have tried to secure discount lots for our conference with no success.
- Sight search is done every 3 years and Tampa is still the best place we can go.
- Mayor of Tampa attended board meeting at last years conference and it was suggested to her that she assist us in securing the TPAC.

Advocacy Items

- Resignation of Jim Warford as DOE k-12 Chancellor
- Extreme reading requirements are being put into place in some districts. The legislation that required these reading measures died, yet many districts are acting as if it has passed. Some are implementing required reading for level one and two, because many believe it will pass in the upcoming session.
- Class size requirements – in one more year it will be counted at the campus average instead of a district average.
- FMEA/FSMA will be interviewing gubernatorial candidates to find out their views on the Fine Arts issues
- Intention is to invite the most supportive Republican and Democrat to the FMEA Clinic-Conference to address the First General Session. Check e-bulletins and Florida Music Director for details.
- Consideration of forming a Political Action Committee
- Mr. Perry answered questions and shared in discussion of this topic.
- CapWiz – new system should make Legislative Alerts more efficient
- National Anthem Project/MENC; September 14th is the date to commemorate. Jeep is a sponsor. There is a semi-trailer that will tour the country and will be in Tampa on January.
- Jessica Lundsford Act implications. Enough districts are making a fuss that something may be done in Tallahassee during committee week in October.

Item 5: Announcements

FMEA Awards Nomination forms are in the Florida Music Director Magazine.

Item 6: Communications/Distribution of Packets

- ♪ District Calendar 05-06, add December 1st as Special Music Request Deadline for S&E.
- ♪ D.Fultz – If something was removed from the S&E list, and you submit it, the committee is automatically allowing it to be played.
- ♪ Forms are on FBA website.
- ♪ New FBA Medals or form. Prices have changed; do not use old form.
- ♪ All-State Band Applications, Participants Contract due before audition
- ♪ All-State MS and HS audition script
- ♪ Map to Sleep Hill MS for auditions
- ♪ New Awards information and ballot.
- ♪ Thanks to Jesse Bryant for putting packets together.

Item 7: Unfinished Business

NONE

Item 8: Committee Reports

All-State – Shawn Barat

Double Bass added to Solo and Ensemble List this year

Benevolence – Rob Raabe 863-676-3230 Contact if there is a need.

Previous Balance (-\$101.82)

Donations 4/18/05 +109.82

Balance \$8.00

Donations 8/20/05 \$105.00

Current Balance \$113.00

Piano – Don West - D. West resigns from committee due to new duties. Jon Eckman volunteers

Motion (Levine/Bryant) PASSED

Item 9: New Business

Membership Dues & Enrollment Forms Due September 1 (earlier than last year). Send to FMEA or pay online at www.flmusiced.org. *Students will not be allowed to audition for All-State if band director is not a member of FBA by September 1st.*

Classification Forms due October 14 to Jeff Cayer. Principal and Director Signature Required

Can not be done until after 20th day FTE count. August 30th (B. Wharton)

- Senior High: Report grades 9, 10, 11, 12 or 10, 11, 12 as appropriate
- Junior High: Report Grades 7, 8, and 9 (unless you plan to not use any 7th graders in any phase of MPA, then only count 8th and 9th graders)
- Middles School: Report Grades 7 and 8 only
- FINE: 50.00 for submitting this form late (Payable to FBA) \$100.00 on the 8th calendar day after the deadline.
- Form is on the FBA website: www.flmusiced.org/fba

All State Auditions: (forms are in August Bulletin and on www.flmusiced.org/fba)

Site: Sleepy Hill Middle School

Date: September 24, 2005

Deadline: September 9, 2005 to Jeff Cayer (Classification forms will also be accepted at this time)

Fees: \$17 (\$10 for the State and \$7 for Ron Powell, recordings)

LATE FINES: \$50.00 for submitting forms late (Payable to FBA) \$100.00 on the 8th calendar day after the deadline.

Band director must be a member of FMEA/FBA by **September 1** in order to have students audition for all-state.

Directors need to be in attendance to proctor the audition. Taping process is to be reviewed during prep clinic during afternoon. Directors must know how to administer the audition and use recording equipment.

Shawn Barat, All-State Chairperson – Spoke about the audition process and director responsibilities.

Have mock auditions. Make sure they are preparing the correct material. Practice with the script. Prepare your students.

Next year we will use CD recorded audition. Begin preparing now.

Jazz Band Audition scripts are available from Jeff Cayer and on the FBA website.

Small School Honors Band and 7-8th Grade Honor Band Nomination:

Forms are in August Bulletin and on www.flmusiced.org/fba

Completed forms and fees should be sent to the respective chairman whose name and address are on the form.

Discussion: C. Harris, Do students have to audition for all-state band to be nominated for honor band?

Marching Band MPA:

Date: October 22, 2005 Time: 6:00pm

Site: Denison Stadium, Winter Haven (Hosted by Winter Haven High School)

Entry Form Due Date (to district chairman): September 24, 2005 (same day as All-State audition)

No assessment money collected at this time.

Assistance needed from Middle School/Junior High directors

Phil Wharton will ask Roanna Combs to make student tickets and field worker passes

D.Fultz – Suggestions putting together a representative middle school band to perform the National Anthem for the beginning of the event. Many are interested. D. Fultz will follow up to see if it can be done. Will discuss at next meeting.

J.Cayer demonstrates MPA Online program that our district and a few others will pilot this year.

All of our MPA Applications and Forms will be done online.

Hard copy will still need to go to district chairman Jeff Cayer.

Jim Parker – Publicity for Marching MPA. Promote attendance at Marching Festival to help lower our district assessment. HS directors should have announcer promote MPA at home football games.

Newspapers, radio and television will be notified by J. P. Corporate sponsors are needed. Contact J.P. if you know of a company that can offer \$1000. Looking for contact at Publix.

Cost for gate: Last year was \$6/adults \$3/students

Motion (P.Wharton/B. Wharton) to raise to \$7/adults and \$4/children 12under PASSED

Ron Lagg – Marching MPA DVD's. Revenue will help bring down assessment. Profit \$619

We need more people to take advantage of it. We will have a new video group produce this years DVD.

Costs will be cut significantly. Make sure your arrangements are licensed appropriately so we don't get hung up on copyright issues like last year.

Nominations for the Oliver Hobbs Award (see latest "Florida Bandmaster"):

Our district has nominated Barbara Fultz.

Nominations for the Tom Bishop Award (see latest "Florida Bandmaster"):

Our district has nominated Jane Sholine.

Item 10: District MPA Dates and Sites

Solo and Ensemble MPA: Bartow High School, February 9 – 11, 2006

Motion (K. Levine/D.Locurcio) for Bartow HS to host PASSED

Motion (S. Barat/K.Johnson) Add Thursday night 2/9 for Jazz Bands PASSED

Concert (JH/MS): Winter Haven High School, March 9 – 11, 2006

Motion (B.Fultz/B.Wharton) for Winter Haven HS to host PASSED

Concert (High School): Lake Region High School, March 3 – 4, 2006

Motion: (R.Kelly/B.Fultz) for Lake Region HS to host PASSED

Item 11: District MPA Adjudicators

Marching MPA – Music: Rob Roadman, Music TBA, Marching and Maneuvering P.L. Malcolm, GB: Ivan Wansley, Auxiliary Chris Bonner

Item 12: Nominations for Adjudicators List (secret ballot)

None

Item 13: Suggestions to State Committees

None

Item 14: Proposals to the Executive Board

None

Item 15: Correspondence

Letters from Bartow HS to host Solo and Ensemble

Winter Haven HS to host Marching MPA and MS Concert MPA

Lake Region HS to host HS Concert MPA

Item 16: For the Good of the Association

Phil Wharton – High School Director Protocol and Decorum (Handout) Discussion

Frank Howes – Superintendent will attend Marching Band MPA

Jim Parker will work for F.H. as a consultant. Will also work with new directors on choosing music for MPA.

Dave Fultz will work with MS bands in a similar capacity.

Band After Dark Session II – November 3rd at Winter Haven HS

Work on advocacy with your parents

New teachers to meet at Lake Region HS, Monday August 22 4:00pm

Congratulations to Rob Lambert for Harrison Chamber Winds invited to Midwest Clinic

They will be performing a concert and presenting a clinic.

Congratulations to Shawn Barat and the Winter Haven HS Band invited to CBDNA/NBA in Nashville and the UF Invitational in Gainesville

Chuck Fulton – Reclassification must first be approved by the District before going to the State. Bring a letter to the October meeting.

Jesse Bryant – Polk County Instructor list is being updated.

Shawn Barat – Congratulation to Heather Fultz, Winter Haven HS and Brad Freeman, Lake Region HS for their acceptance to the Hershey's All USA Band.

Ron Lagg - Solo and Ensemble Music Show at Lake Region HS on October 25, 2005

Be timely in dealing with your billing. Know how to use Purchase Orders according to county Policy. Middle School directors can set up a night to visit the store. Go to Midwest this year.

Big year for Florida!

Rob Lambert – Polk County Youth Orchestra. Thanks for your support. Come out and here them.

Cheryce Harris – Florida Southern College Band Day, November 18, 2005

Luis Alvarez – Central Florida Marching Showcase, Kathleen HS on October 8, 2005

Frank Howes – Congratulations to Dave Fultz on his upcoming retirement

Jon Eckman - All- State Prep Clinic Session procedures

Carlton's Music will provide lunch.

Item 17: Next Meeting Date and Place

October 3, 2005 Kathleen HS

Item 18: Adjournment

Motion to adjourn (C. Fulton/J. Bryant) PASSED

Meeting adjourned at 11:47AM

Name of District Secretary:

Donald West

Signature: