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The 2012 FBA SUMMER CONVENTION - Our summer convention will be held at the Altamonte Springs Hilton Hotel and will have Bob Sheldon as our Keynote Speaker. Some great clinics are planned and will also feature two Masterworks sessions, one with Robert Sheldon and one with Craig Collins. More information will follow, and it's going to be great, AGAIN! Bring the family, enjoy the clinics and fellowship, and get inspired for next year! We will again have the Southern Winds with Bobby Adams, performing on Thursday evening.

ATTENTION SENIOR HIGH DIRECTORS

STATE S&E MPA, which will include solos and ensembles with choirs, jazz bands, and auxiliaries will be held at the following sites:

Central S&E, JAZZ BAND & AUXILIARY: March 26, 27, 28, 2012: Dr. Phillips High School - Orlando
Host: Charles Watford

****NOTE:** Auxiliary Events held ONLY at the CENTRAL site.

South S&E and JAZZ BAND: March 30 & 31, 2012: Broward College - Davie
Host: Neil Jenkins

North S&E and JAZZ BAND: April 2 & 3, 2012: Buchholz High School - Gainesville
Host: Alex Kaminsky

Be sure and register in the area you wish to attend. This will fall during Spring Break for some, as it always has. Information about the MPA in the way of entry forms and assessment forms is available at MPA on line. You will be able to access the Information Bulletin on the FBA web page. Please try and stay in the North, Central or South region where your school is located if possible. Thank you!

Look for State MPA information in February on the website.

2012 STATE BAND MPA ADJUDICATORS

May 3, 4, 5, 2012

Tallahassee (North) - Florida State University (Opperman)

Concert: John Whitwell - Retired, Michigan State University
Ray Lichtenwalter - Retired, Univ. of Texas/Arlington
Alfred Watkins - Lassiter High School, Marietta, Georgia
Commentator: David Waybright - Univ. of Florida

Tampa (Central) - University of South Florida

Concert: John Culvahouse - Kennesaw State University
Robert Spradling - Western Michigan University
Tom Stites - Coordinator of Fine Arts, Owensboro, KY
Commentator: Scott Tobias - University of Central Florida

Boca Raton (South) - Florida Atlantic University

Concert: John Ross - Appalachian State University
Robert Foster - University of Kansas
Stephen Gage - Youngstown State University
Commentator: Gary Green - University of Miami

OTHER IMPORTANT NEWS

ORDER SCORES AND MUSIC FOR MPA'S NOW! See Handbook for FBA rules regarding music scores. Do it now, don't wait. You MUST secure permission to copy out-of-print copyrighted music from the copyright owner. Your music dealer should have a form to secure permission. The use of this form, when sent to the copyright owner, will expedite the inquiry and permission process greatly.

GENERAL MEETING of the FLORIDA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION Tampa Convention Center - Tampa - January 12, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM by President **Randy Folsom**. Big THANK YOU'S go out to everyone who helped make the convention run smoothly, especially the All-State Band Coordinators. 11th Symphonic Band-John Seth, 9th Concert Band-Brian Dell, 7th Middle School Band-Kristy Dell, HS Honor Band-Nick Albanese, MS Honor Band-Linda Mann, and Jazz Band-Rob Lambert. A big thank you thank you to all the directors in the surrounding counties who helped in procuring the larger percussion instruments for our All-State groups. Randy Folsom has taken over the roll of FBA Conference Manager for the FMEA Conference. After the introduction of the FBA Officers seated at the Head Table, the attendees were asked to stand for a moment of silence in remembrance of FBA members who have passed away during this past year.

Nathan James White (2/22/11), Willie Milton "Skip" Perry Jr. (4/18/11), Bobby Wayne Keen (5/9/11), Andrew Wright (8/11), William Ledue (9/2/11), James R. "Jim" Etherton III (10/28/11), T. Edison James (11/4/11), Melvin E. Baker (12/3/11), Rodney Dasinger (12/31/11)

Attendance rolls were sent around the room for members to sign.

Ballots for the election of the next FBA President Elect were distributed as members entered the meeting. Several members spoke of behalf of the two candidates Jason Duckett (Bartram Trail High School – St. Johns) and Linda Mann (Diplomat Middle School – Cape Coral).

Congratulations to Linda Mann for being elected as the next FBA President Elect.

TREASURERS REPORT (As of January 6, 2012)

FBA Operating Account	\$37,534.74
FBA Commissioning Acct.	\$14,025.51
FBA Transfer/Holding Acct.	\$30,707.77
FBA Reserve Account	\$111,662.21
FBA Severance CD	\$30,411.81
FBA Hall of Fame CD	\$21,019.26
FBA Emergency Fund CD	\$87,923.33

Minutes of the July 2011 Board and General Business meetings, and the December 2011 Executive Board meeting were approved as posted on the FBA Website with no corrections noted.

Henry Fillmore Composition Award - Monty Musgrave, Chairman of the Concert Music Committee, announced the winner of the Henry Fillmore Composition Contest. Brendan Sweeney, a student of Chad Hannah and Kelly Deklinski at Choctawhatchee High School in Ft. Walton Beach, composed a solo for trumpet with piano entitled "Lullaby for Trumpet and Piano in Eb Major". After the solo was performed for the membership by Associate Director of Bands, Kelly Deklinski, Brendan was recognized for his accomplishment and presented a monetary award and plaque from the FBA.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS & MEMBERS

- a. Special Guest - Duane Hendon introduced FBA member Barbara Johnson, who traveled to Florida with five of her students and her assistant from the Amman Baptist School in Amman, Jordan.
- b. All State Band Clinicians - Gary Green (Sym. Band), Scott Tobias (Con. Band), Gary Langford (Jazz Band), Shawn Barat (HSHB), Eddie Steadman (All State MS Band), Michael Antmann (MSHB) were recognized.
- c. Past-Presidents stood and were recognized by Randy Folsom.
- d. New members to FBA were asked to stand and be recognized - Welcome all new FBA members.
- e. The following members received the 25-year Life Member pin:
Robert Allen, Laurie Broadway, William Henley, Asa Jernigan, Andrew Kidd, Steven Kirkland, Peter Krosteg, David Laniewski, J. Kevin Lewis, Sue Nicholson, Steve Oglivie, William Reinecke, Tammy Roggen, Ken Schwartz, Bentley Shellahamer, Jane Sholine, Louis St. Laurent, Eddie Steadman (also: **Charles "Buddy" Ball, Debbie Keezel and Helen Michaelson**)
- f. Members were asked to stand and then sit as the number of years as a member of the FBA were announced. **The winner was: John DeYoung** with 60 years as a member of FBA.
- g. The following Middle School directors received their FIVE-YEAR SUPERIOR plaques
Jane Sholine - Lawton Chiles Middle Acad. (07-11) & Lake Gibson/Lakeland Highlands MS (02-06), **Michael Fraley** - Boca Raton/Don Estridge High Tech MS (07-11), **Hannah Jennings** - Legacy/Bridgewater/Lake Nona MS (07-11), **Cleve Maloon** - Bak MS of the Arts (07-11), **Carol Allen** - West Shore Jr./Sr. HS (07-11), **Robert Keating** - Gulliver Academy (07-11), **William Lindner** - St. Joseph School (07-11), **Daniel Boyd** - Carlos E. Haile MS (07-11), **Susan Smithey** - Gulf Breeze MS (07-11), **Kristy Dell** - Woodrow Wilson MS (07-11), **William Asa Jernigan** - Mandarin MS (07-11), **Jeanie Berry** - Southwest MS (07-11), **Edgar Rubio** - Silver Trail MS (07-11), **Melissa Ellis** - Lakeview MS (06-10), **Dawane Ledbetter** - Gulf MS (04-08)
- h. TOM BISHOP AWARD
Michael Uhrich - Windy Hill Middle School
Jamie Rucker - Palm Beach Gardens High School
- i. OLIVER HOBBS AWARD
Stephen Rivero - Charles W. Flanagan High School
Thomas Singletary - Eau Gallie High
- j. Hall of Fame Members were introduced.
- k. Brian Dell presented NBA Awards (Certificate of Marching Excellence & Citation of Excellence)
- l. All recent retirees were recognized

INTRODUCTION OF DISTRICT CHAIRPERSONS

Dist. 1 - Neil McLeod	Dist. 8 - Hannah Jennings	Dist. 15 - Dayna Cole
Dist. 2 - Nick Efstathiou	Dist. 9 - Robin Benoit	Dist. 16 - Elissa Vento-Tatom
Dist. 3 - Monica Leimer	Dist. 10 - Jennifer Zahn	Dist. 17 - Shawn Barat
Dist. 4 - Alex Kaminsky	Dist. 11 - Luis Alvarez	Dist. 18 - Sarah Hamiton
Dist. 5 - Tark Katzenmeyer	Dist. 12 - Kathy Johnson	Dist. 19 - Ryan Wright
Dist. 6 - Adam McIntyre	Dist. 13 - Page Howell	Dist. 20 - Susan Bazin
Dist. 7 - Brian Dell	Dist. 14 - Evan Rogovin	Dist. 21 - Rick Fowler

INTRODUCTION OF STANDING COMMITTEES CHAIRPERSONS

- a. Adjudication Committee - Bill Reinecke
- b. All-State Bands Selection Committee - Ian Schwindt
- c. Clinics Committee - Randy Folsom
- d. Concert Music Committee - Monty Musgrave
- e. Ethics Committee - Joe Luechauer
- f. MPA Committee - Richard Davenport
- g. Finance Committee - Mark Spreen
- h. Past-Presidents' Council - Mark Spreen
- i. Professional Resources Committee - Paula Thornton
- j. Sight-reading Music Committee - Jeanie Berry
- k. Solo & Ensemble Music Committee - Michael Antmann
- l. Benevolence Committee - Kristy Dell
- m. Commissioning Committee - Dan Wooten
- n. Technology - Josh Bula
- o. Auxiliaries - Vicky Nolan

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES CHAIRPERSONS

- a. Jazz Band - Rob Lambert
- b. Small Schools Committee - Nick Albanese
- c. Mentoring Committee - Travis Henry
- d. Conference Facilitator - Randy Folsom

HALL OF FAME REPORT

John DeYoung presented the Hall of Fame report. The 2012 Roll of Distinction inductee will be Alfred Reed and the 2012 Hall of Fame inductee will be Jerome Edwards.

The **JR. HIGH / MIDDLE SCHOOL DIRECTORS FORUM REPORT** was presented and the **SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL DIRECTORS FORUM REPORT** was presented.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A). A request from Districts 2 & 3 to the Redistricting Committee, Dec. Board Meeting 09, page 12.

MOTION from Dec. 09 Board Minutes: **Move Liberty and Franklin Counties from District 2 to District 3 due to proximity to MPA Sites and Time Zone differences.**

NOTE: Motion is a Bylaws change (Article II - Organization, Section 1 - District and State Division, A - Districts). Motion passed at that meeting but has not been dealt with since.

MOTION PASSED BY THE BOARD at the December 2011 meeting. This was the 2nd vote by the Board held.

**** PASSED by Membership**

- B). MOTION: Fulton/D. Fultz – PASSED at District 12 meeting. Clarify the wording for #8, COMMENTS ONLY CLASSIFICATION from the FBA Handbook, page 6, to read as follows:

- a. This classification may be used at District Marching and Concert Music Performance Assessments and for Jazz Bands.
- b. Requests for a band to perform for Comments Only must be in writing stating the circumstances justifying the request, and must be signed by the band director and the principal of the school making the request. ~~The request for classification letter MUST be attached to the classification form, which is due October 1st.~~ **[ADD:] The request for a band to perform for Comments Only at Marching MPA MUST be submitted to the District Chair before the FBA District Meeting prior to Marching MPA.** This request will then be presented at the ~~second~~ FBA District Meeting **[ADD:] prior to Marching MPA** for a vote by the membership of that District. **[ADD:] The request for a band to perform for Comments Only at Concert MPA and Jazz MPA MUST be submitted to the District Chair before the third FBA District**

meeting. This request will then be presented at the third FBA District Meeting for a vote by the membership of that District.

- c. A band that enters [ADD:] Concert Music Performance Assessment for Comments Only must play the grade of music for its regular classification.
- d. Bands entering [ADD:] Concert Music Performance Assessment for Comments Only must sight-read in their regular classification.

MOTION PASSED BY THE BOARD at the Dec. 2011 Board Meeting.

**** PASSED by Membership**

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION Steve Rivero/Dayna Cole: When a piece is denied Special Permission to perform at a Concert MPA, a minimum of a one paragraph explanation shall be provided citing the reasons for denial, along with a copy of the Rubric or Measurement tool used.

After much discussion and the Rationale being read, a MOTION was offered by Ponder/2nd by Jernigan to refer this to the appropriate Music Committee and the Executive Board. **PASSED.**

GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION

Teachers of the Year:

Daniel McNeil (Roulhac MS Rookie Teacher of the Year - Dist. 2)
John Buckley (Fla. State Univ. Schools - Dist. 3)
Karl Lester (Franklin County HS - Dist. 3)
Kelly Dorsey (Union County HS - Dist. 4)
Sherod Keen (Richardson MS - Dist. 4)
Bill Rutheford (Gulf HS - Dist. 5)
Kathy Thompson (Challenger K8 - Dist. 5)
Angelo Lindine (Milwee MS - Dist. 6)
Chris Cannon (Apopka HS - Dist. 8)
Rhett Cox (Timber Creek HS - Dist. 8)
Marianne Flanagan (Colonial HS - Dist. 8)
Chad Guess (Seminole MS - Dist. 9)
J.R. Boatwright (Sleepy Hill MS - Dist. 12)
Zach Murdock (Mulberry HS - Dist. 12)
Josh Nelson (Haines City HS - Dist. 12)
Richard Uhler (Pioneer MS - Dist. 15)
Erich Rivero (Glades MS - Dist. 16)

Ft. Clark Middle School Band from Gainesville, W. Everett McConn, director, are recipients of the John Philip Sousa Foundation Sudler Cup.

Congratulations to Shawn Barat & Douglas Anderson School of the Arts for their outstanding performance at The Midwest Clinic in Chicago.

Congratulations to Michael Butler and the William R. Boone HS Wind Symphony and to Jim Sammons, Page Howell and the Vero Beach High School Symphonic Band for performing at FMEA.

Being no further business, the Meeting Adjourned at 8:15 pm

Respectfully Submitted, *Neil E. Jenkins*, Executive Director