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*The 2020 FBA SUMMER CONFERENCE - Our Summer Professional Development Conference will be held at the Hilton Daytona Beach Oceanfront Resort, **June 24-26, 2020**, and will have as our Keynote: Paula Crider, Professor Emerita, The University of Texas. Some great clinics are planned and will also feature a Masterworks session with Ms. Crider (bring your instrument). More information will follow on the web site, and it's going to be great, AGAIN! Bring the family, enjoy the clinics and great fellowship, and get inspired for next school year! We will again have the Southern Winds with Doug Phillips, performing on Thursday evening (June 25), along with a concert on Friday by the highly successful Nine Star Honor Band to be conducted by Kelly Dorsey, Director of Bands at Union County HS, and the newly added Seven Star Honor Band to be conducted by Lee Sellers, Director of Bands at Pacetti Bay Middle School. Another addition this year will be the first ever FBA Jazz Institute on June 26 & 27*

ATTENTION SENIOR HIGH DIRECTORS

STATE S&E MPA 2020, which will include solos and ensembles with choirs, jazz bands, and auxiliaries, will be held at the following sites:

2020 STATE S&E, JAZZ BAND & AUXILIARY

Central Site: Freedom HS (Orlando), March 19-21, 2020

North Site: Buchholz HS (Gainesville), March 23-24, 2020

South Site: Cooper City HS (Broward Co.), March 26-28, 2020

North West Site: Rutherford HS (Panama City), April 4, 2020

2020 STATE BAND MPA (see FBA Web Site for District Assignments)

State Band Central: Sarasota Riverview HS (Sarasota), April 27-29, 2020

State Band North: Univ. of Florida (Gainesville), April 27-29, 2020

State Band North West: NW Florida State Univ. (Niceville), April 28-29, 2020

State Band South: Fla. International Univ (Miami), April 29-May 1, 2020

Check the FBA Web Site under MPA/State Solo & Ensemble, State Concert Band, for District Assignments. Be sure and register for the area you are assigned. This will fall during Spring Break for some, as it always has and most likely always will. A request to change zones due to Spring Break issues will not be considered favorably. Information about the MPA in the way of entry forms and assessment forms will be available at MPA on line. You will be able to access the State MPA Information Bulletin on the FBA web page by late January

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 9, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 pm by President **Cathryn Leibinger**. Big THANK YOU'S go out to everyone who helped make the conference run smoothly, especially a big "thank you" to all the directors in the surrounding counties who helped in procuring the larger percussion instruments for our All-State groups. Kudos to Richard Davenport for his work in 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 2019.

Thomas Ewing (January 2, 2019)	Don Reynolds (March 26, 2019)
Gordon O'Hara (June 11, 2019)	Jack Taylor (August 13, 2019)
Lenvil Dicks (September 15, 2019)	Kristen Page Clark (November, 2019)
Jim Wright (Date Unknown, 2019)	

Attendance was recorded electronically and with additional sign in sheets at 344.

Minutes of the June 2019 Board and General Business meetings, and the December 2019 Executive Board meeting stand approved as posted on the FBA Website with one correction to the Requested Classification List in the December Minutes.

TREASURERS REPORT - As of Jan. 1, 2020 (indicates report at the December 2019 Board Meeting)

FBA Operating Account (\$69,947.26)	\$ 44,265.35
FBA Commissioning Acct (\$22,282.34)	\$ 22,282.53
FBA Transfer Account (\$82,052.91)	\$ 82,053.61
FBA Emergency Fund Ck. (\$115,016.19)	\$113,571.58
FBA Severance Fund CD (\$34,918.47)	\$ 34,918.47
FBA Hall of Fame Fund CD (\$24,134.05)	\$ 24,134.05
FBA Reserve Investment Acct. (\$149,318.07)	\$149,754.02

Henry Fillmore Composition Award Jason Hatfield, Chairman of the Fillmore Contest Committee, announced this year's winner of the Henry Fillmore Composition Contest.

Jason Varney - Titusville High School	Pablo Duque - Niceville High School
Music title: <i>Autumn Breeze</i> - Concert Band	Music Title: Let the Good Times Continue - Jazz Band
Band Director: Ian Schwindt & Jennifer Zahn	Band Director: Dan Wooten

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS & MEMBERS

- a. Any Special Guests
- b. **All State Band Clinicians:** David Waybright (Symphonic Band), David Ragsdale (Concert Band), Jody Dunn (HS Honor Band), Mike Tomaro (HS Jazz Band), Cleve Maloon (MS Jazz Band), Michael Garasi (All State MS Band), Callista Zebley (MS Honor Band)
- c. **All State Band Coordinators:** Joel Quina (11/12 Symphonic Band), Keith Griffis (9/10 Concert Band), Amanda Griffis (High School Honor Band), Jeremy Langford (HS Jazz Band), Edgar Rubio (MS Jazz Band), Hannah Jennings (All State MS Band), Jeff Cayer (Middle School Honor Band)
- d. Recognize **Past-Presidents** in attendance
- e. Recognize **Hall of Fame** and **Roll of Distinction** Members present
- f. Welcome all new/first year members to FBA
- g. All FBA members stand: 5 years plus remain standing. 10 years, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, etc. years remain standing. Lee Ponder & Neil Jenkins with 50 years
- h. **Presentation of newly eligible 25-year Life Member Pins:** William Hazlett, Don Isabelle, W. Everett McConn, Jackie Parsons, Mara Rose, William Rutherford, Charles Watford, John "Gray" Weaver, Donald West, Kim Whaley, Daniel "Chip" Wood IV

- i. Presentation of **LINDA MANN FIVE-YEAR SUPERIOR PLAQUES** to Middle School/Jr. High Directors for 2015-19. **Francis Bermudez:** Palm Springs Community MS, **JR Boatwright:** Louise R. Johnson MS, **Teri Bruse:** Ruckel MS, **Craig Denny:** Loggers Run MS, **Jamie Groves:** Bak MS of the Arts, **Christina Johnson:** Wellington Landings MS, **Robert Keating:** Gulliver Academy, **Scott LaBorde:** Max Bruner Jr. MS, **Tamara Lewis:** Sarasota MS, **Heather Lundahl:** Walker MS, **Nicole Matson:** Jim C. Bailey MS, **William Molineaux:** Osceola County MS for the Arts, **Luis Piccinelli:** Coral Springs MS, **Lori Pirzer:** Oak View MS, **Michael Summers:** Oakleaf Jr. HS, **Janie Walker:** Ransom MS, **Calista Zebley:** Clearwater Fundamental
- j. Presentation of **ANDREW J. CREW FIVE-YEAR SUPERIOR AWARD** to High School Directors for 2015-19.
Randy Folsom: Ft. Walton Beach HS
- k. **TOM BISHOP AWARD:**
Christina Johnson - Wellington Landings Middle School
Charles Moorer - McArthur High School
Armand Navarro - Pensacola High School
Daren Nolff - Mariner Middle School
Brandon Slone - Markham Woods Middle School
Zachary Sullivan - Bradford High School
David Triplett-Rosa - Barrington Middle School
Kimberly Zipoli-Martins - Corner Lake Middle School
- l. **OLIVER HOBBS** Plaque AWARD PRESENTATION
Charles Watford - Dr. Phillips High School
Paul Morton - Driftwood Middle School
- m. **Recognition of recent Retirees**

RECOGNITION OF DISTRICT CHAIRPERSONS

Dist. 1 - Anthony Denaro	Dist. 6 - Brad Wharton	Dist. 11 - Tamara Lewis	Dist. 16 - Kennan Torgerson
Dist. 2 - John Harcus	Dist. 7 - Keith Griffis	Dist. 12 - Jon Eckman	Dist. 17 - Asa Jernigan
Dist. 3 - Lee Commander	Dist. 8 - Michael Antmann	Dist. 13 - Clint LaFlam	Dist. 18 - Mark Dahlberg
Dist. 4 - Amy Beres	Dist. 9 - Cory Simpson	Dist. 14 - Jamie Groves	Dist. 19 - Matt Flenner
Dist. 5 - Travis Henry	Dist. 10 - Jennifer Zahn	Dist. 15 - Richard Uhler	Dist. 20 - Gary Hernandez
			Dist. 21 - David Morden

RECOGNITION OF STANDING COMMITTEES CHAIRPERSONS

- a. Adjudication Committee - Shawn Barat
- b. All-State Bands Committee - Kristy Dell
- c. Clinics Committee - Cathryn Leibinger
- d. Concert Music Committee - Ted Shistle
- e. Ethics Committee - Jody Dunn
- f. MPA Committee - Ian Schwindt
- g. Finance Committee - Jason Duckett
- h. Past-Presidents Advisory Committee - Jason Duckett
- i. Prof. Resources Comm - Kyle Prescott.
- j. Sight-reading Music Committee - Nick Eggen
- k. S & E Music Committee - Dayna Cole
- l. Benevolence Committee - Mara Rose
- m. Commissioning Committee - Brian Dell
- n. Technology - Josh Bula
- o. Auxiliary - Chris Bonner

RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES CHAIRPERSONS

- a. Jazz Band Committee - Edgar Rubio
- b. Mentoring Committee - Karen Crocco
- c. Conference Facilitator - Richard Davenport
- d. Legacy Committee - Tina Laferriere
- e. Fillmore Composition Committee - Jason Hatfield
- f. Adjudication Training - Jon Sever
- g. Small Schools - Kelly Dorsey
- h. Hall of Fame - Paula Thornton

HALL OF FAME REPORT

Paula Thornton presented the Hall of Fame report. The 2020 Roll of Distinction inductee will be Jo Jossim (Director of Bands, Florida Southern College). The 2020 Hall of Fame inductees will be Tim Willis (Retired Life Member, Pensacola) and Lee Ponder (Life Member, Christ's Church Academy). Dates: November 21 & 22, 2020 at Stetson University.

Jr. HS/MS Directors Meeting, Senior HS Directors Meeting, and Small Schools Meeting Reports are found at the end of these minutes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (these motions come to the membership after being previously Passed by the Board - motions passed here will take affect beginning the 2020-21 school year)

NOTE: There are several additional Motions dealing with By-Law changes which will be brought before the Board at the May Board Meeting for a 2nd vote. If passed, these will be presented to the Membership at the Summer Conference General Business Meeting. Refer to the December 2019 Board Minutes.

#1

Motion from the MPA Committee: (Adams/Cole)

All 3rd (third) and 4th (fourth) high school concert bands will sight read MC level sight reading at concert MPA.

Rationale:

Currently all 3rd and 4th bands read CC-C-D-MB level sight reading; however, 3rd and 4th bands are only required to play 2 grade ones on stage. This means that they are currently sight reading at a higher grade level than they are required to perform on stage. By changing the sight reading requirement to MC the sight reading requirement is more congruous to the stage music requirement.

PASSED BY COMMITTEE

Motion from Committee/A. Beres: Accept Motion from Committee

(If passed at January Meeting, this will take affect for 2020-21)

PASSED by the BOARD

PASSED by the MEMBERSHIP

NOTE: Any District wishing to Pilot this Motion at the 2020 HS Concert MPA are to contact the Executive Director.

#2

MOTION: R. Uhler/T. Lewis: Handbook change - Article IV - E. Adjudication ~~Certification~~ *Training and Approval.*

1. **Purpose:** To ~~certify~~ *train/approve* the adjudication in the state for all of the aspects of Music Performance Assessment, including, marching, solo and ensemble, jazz, and concert.

Activities: ~~Certification Training~~ workshops held throughout the year. ~~Marching workshops~~ will be held twice a year, the day before the January and Summer Conferences. ~~The concert, jazz and solo and ensemble workshops will be held twice a year in the fall.~~ *Training workshops for re-approval* ~~Re-certification seminars~~ will also be given. *Adjudicators must be re-approved* ~~Must re-certify~~ every 5 years.

Cost: ~~Fee is \$25.00 for Certification and \$10.00 for Re-certification; includes all materials and the workshop.~~

PASSED by the BOARD

PASSED by the MEMBERSHIP

NEW BUSINESS - no New Business

GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION

President-Elect Voting Results:

Shawn Barat was announced as the next FBA President-Elect. Congratulations Shawn.
(Under the new format of voting, 474 votes were recorded)

Presentation from Scott Lubaroff, Director of Bands for the University of Central Florida, to the FBA Commission Committee. Through his efforts, Scott McAllister was commissioned to write "In Praise of Joe", honoring our own Joseph Kreines, and was premiered by the University of Central Florida Wind Ensemble in November 2019. Through the efforts of a Consortium, \$10,000.00 was raised which was donated back to the FBA Commission Committee in Joe's name. The check from the UCF Kappa Kappa Psi Fraternity was graciously received by Brian Dell, Chairman of the FBA Commissioning Committee.

Teachers of the Year announced:

Jason Algair - 2019 Steinbrenner HS Teacher of the Year

Patrick Carnahan - 2019 Destin MS Teacher of the Year

Anna Goebel - Highland Oaks MS and Finalist for Miami-Dade County

Rob Lambert - 2019 Lakewood Ranch HS Teacher of the Year

Nicole Matson - School Band & Orchestra (Dec. 2019) 50 Directors Who Make a Difference

William Molineaux (Osceola County School for the Arts) - 2019-20 Osceola County Arts Teacher of the Year

Brett Pikuritz - Orange Park HS and Semi-finalist for Clay County

Brian Sullivan - 2019 Glenridge MS Teacher of the Year

Zachary Sullivan - Bradford High School

Brian Dell, State Chairman for the National Band Association, offered congratulations and recognition of members receiving recognition by the NBA.

Congrats to Mr. Keith Griffis who was one of three Young Conductors selected for the NBA Young Conductors Project and was paired up with one of the three Young Composers, and guest conducted the Air Force Band in Washington D.C.

Congrats to the LaVilla SOTA Wind Ensemble for being invited to perform at the CBDNA/NBA Southern Division Conference held in Louisiana in late February 2020.

Congrats to Dr. Phillips HS, Charles Watford, and H.B. Plant HS, Brian Dell, for winning the Division Award for the National Programs of Excellence Blue Ribbon Award through the NBA. They were also finalists for the National Award.

Outstanding Jazz Educator Award was presented to Chris Banks from LaVilla SOTA and Chris Dorsey from Dillard SOTA for their performances at the Midwest Clinic in Chicago

Citation of Excellence was presented to Dr. Patrick Dunnigan and Daniel Wood for their performances at the FMEA Conference.

This is a voting year and Dr. Rebecca Phillips among others from Florida are up for election; all members please vote and renew your membership.

Information for the 2020 Nine Star High School Honor Band and the new Seven Star Middle School Honor band, which will perform at the 2020 FBA Summer Conference, including the nomination form, will be found on the FBA Web site soon.

Being no further business, the Meeting Adjourned (after several Motions and seconds) at 8:25pm.

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

Junior High/Middle School Directors Meeting

Thursday, January 9, 2020 6:30PM TCC West Hall

Topics of Discussion

1. The All State Middle School Honor Band by the numbers
2. Seven Star Honor Band info - Flyers handed out
3. Five Year Superior Plaques for Jazz Band

PREVIOUS MOTION: Cayer/Langford To create an award for Junior High or Middle School Band Directors whose jazz bands earn Superior ratings at the FBA District Jazz Music Performance Assessment for five (5) consecutive years. Rationale: This honor will be awarded in the same manner and have similar appearance to the current 5-year Middle School Award. For the 2020-2021 school year, the award will be presented to directors who accomplished this feat during the five school years from August 2014 to May 2019 AND August 2015 to May 2020. Afterwards, the award will be given for Superiors received during the last five school years.

4. FBA President Elect Candidates - Shawn Barat and Bernie Hendricks were introduced.

5. The JH/MS Representative for 2020-22

A. Nominations - Tamara Lewis

B. Elections

Tamara Lewis is the JH/MS Representative for 2020-2022, Accepted by acclamation. T. Henry/D. Cole

6. Other Concerns

7. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted by Jeff Cayer

Senior High Meeting Minutes:

The meeting was called to order by Ian Schwindt at 6:30 PM

The meeting began with a discussion of the motion to allow 3rd and 4th bands to Sight Read MC sight reading at Concert MPA. It was pointed out that if the motion passes it will not take effect until the 2020-2021 school year. Furthermore, if the motion does pass districts will be allowed to pilot this new program to make sure there are no unintended consequences.

Cathi Leibinger introduced the two FBA President-Elect candidates.

The meeting concluded with Ian Schwindt challenging the members to find new ways to support music throughout their entire feeder chain and to make sure they were never competing "against" other music disciplines. This same challenge should be extended to all of the bands in their home districts. "We are FBA" and even if we do not have an official leadership position in FBA we can still be servant leaders in our districts. We need to reach out to each other at every opportunity.

Meeting adjourned at 6:51.

2020 Small Schools Breakout session

Chairman gave an overview of the motions to be voted on in general session, candidates for President-Elect were introduced by President Cathi Leibinger.

The committee is continuing to add resources under the Small Schools Tab on the FBA website. Focus is on limited instrumentation literature project that the Small Schools Committee is coordinating with Steve Kelly at FSU.

Best Practices for rescoring of MPA pieces is also in the works. Several in the room offered suggestions and resources available now. We will get some of these linked to the FBA SS page.

The committee will be sending a survey out in the spring to solicit information on scheduling at small schools. Of interest will be what works and why, proving a resource for others in similar situations to share with administrators.