

Florida State Music Teachers Association
2007 State Conference
First General Session

Boca Raton Marriott
Boca Raton, Florida

Friday, October 19, 2007
8:00 a.m.

Following a musical presentation by the Lynn University Brass Quintet of Boca Raton, President Millicent Callobre called the meeting to order at 8:16 am.

The minutes from the 2006 State Conference, Third General session, were read and approved.

Paulette Kilts, President-Elect, welcomed everyone to the 73rd Annual Conference of the Florida State Music Teachers Association. Ms. Kilts outlined highlights of events scheduled for the next three days.

President Callobre recognized Past State Presidents and current District and Local Association Presidents.

Ms. Callobre then introduced the Parliamentarian, Martha Stubbs.

OFFICER REPORTS

President President Callobre gave highlights of her activities since taking office, including attending two National Conferences, two Southern Division meetings and competitions, and two MTNA Leadership Summit meetings in Cincinnati. Ms. Callobre reported other general duties and activities she has carried out since taking office. Among those were appointing four ad hoc committees, reorganizing the College Council from one to four chairmen, and for the first time, taking electronic votes of the Board between Board meetings. President Callobre listed other decisions made during her term, including placing the directory and bylaws online. In this way, they will always be kept current for members. President Callobre then thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve as their President for the past two years.

Treasurer Al Rozier reported that his primary goal of computerizing the bookkeeping system has been accomplished through Quick Books software. Mr. Rozier also reported that the President now has use of a debit card for expenses. MR. Rozier remarked that his next goal is for the organization to become more budget driven.

President-Elect Paulette Kilts reported that, as MTNA Foundation representative, she received and mailed \$175 that was donated at the 2006 State Conference. Ms. Kilts encouraged everyone to donate this year and be entered into a drawing for a gift from the MTNA Marketplace. Ms. Kilts also remarked that the drawing for the State Pride item at the 2007 National Conference in Toronto garnered about \$2,000 for the Foundation. As Conference advisor, Ms. Kilts reported on duties and activities she has carried out toward

the 2007 Conference and the planning of the 2008 State Conference. Ms. Kilts also reported duties and activities she has carried out as President-Elect, including making appointments for the next biennium and attending the MTNA Leadership Summit in Cincinnati.

VP Membership Becky Barlar reported there are currently 829 paid members. Ms. Barlar reminded everyone of the importance of notifying her with any changes of contact information. Ms. Barlar also reported other duties she has carried out in this office.

VP of District & Local Associations Marc Hebda announced the speaker at the luncheon will be Debbie Fahmie, an actively involved music educator from Osceola County. Mr. Hebda also reported on the two new student chapters which came into the Association this year. Mr. Hebda also remarked that paperwork for a third student chapter had been received this morning.

GUEST SPEAKER President Callobre announced that planned guest speaker, Armand Grossman, was unable to attend and in his place Anthony Barber will speak. Mr. Barber, President of Florida Atlantic University National Alumni Association, spoke on the history and merits of the University, and thanked us for the investment we are making in the lives of young people.

PRESENTATIONS In Helen King's absence, Marc Hebda presented the Local Association of the Year Award to Southwest Florida Music Teachers Association. Candace Sundby accepted the award.

Necrology Report Becky Barlar read a list of five FSMTA members who have died during the past year. Ms. Barlar then asked the member to stand for a moment of silence in honor of these colleagues and friends.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Charles Turon presented the candidates for State Officers, 2007-2009. Dr. Turon announced the voting will take place during the Second General Session, and he named categories of members eligible to vote. As no other nominations were received from the floor as each office was presented, the names Dr. Turon presented will be placed in nomination.

Mary Seal presented the FSMTA Bylaw Amendments. The motion is the recommendation from the FSMTA Board. Voting will take place at the Second General Session.

1. Article V, Section 7 Retired Membership – The current membership shall be open upon application to those who are 65 years of age or older and who have been members of Florida State Music Teachers Association and members of Music Teachers National Association for the past ten consecutive years prior to making application and who are not teaching.

In discussion it was noted this conforms to MTNA.

2. Article 6 Sentence 3 Revocation of Membership

Change MTNA to FSMTA and add the word "State" before "Certification."

In discussion President Callobre confirmed that matters will be dealt with through the Ethics Committee.

3. Article XIII, Section 4 Nominating Committee – Section 4A The Immediate Past President shall be Chair of the Nominating Committee. Another Past President shall be appointed by the current President of FSMTA to serve on this committee. Section E no longer applied, and Section C, D, F, become Sections C, D, E, respectively.

4. Article XVIII, Section 1 Robert's Rules of Order are to read Robert's Newly Revised Rules of Order. A motion was made and seconded to strike the word "newly" and replace it with "current." The amendment carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Beth Purchase announced the exhibit hours and daily drawings being offered by exhibitors.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Homsley
Recording Secretary