

FSMTA
Fall Board Meeting
October 24, 2008
Tampa, Florida

Since the Summer Board meeting, most of my efforts have centered on helping to organize the College Convocation, to occur October 25-26. Preparations have included the following:

- Worked with Collegiate Chapter Chair Megan Walsh to organize and coordinate the recital, roundtable discussion and poster session
- Prepared an article for the October/November issue of the newsletter
- Worked with the FSMTA webmaster to post information on our website and to keep it updated
- Arranged for three college faculty to participate: Rene Gonzalez (University of Miami), Rex Willis (Manatee Community College) and Ayako Yonetani (University of Central Florida). One result has been Rex Willis renewing his membership after a long hiatus
- Toured the HCC campus with Ken Hanks, who helped finalize room arrangements

I have also served on the ad hoc committee to research the viability of a FSMTA competition for classical guitar. One of the focuses of the College Convocation has been the guitar, with the commissioned composition (*Fresco* by Rex Willis) being written for guitar ensemble and solo guitar. Rene Gonzalez will perform the solo guitar part, and will serve as the banquet speaker. It is hoped that this focus will help generate and demonstrate enthusiasm and interest in guitar instruction throughout the state.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Turon, Ph.D., NCTM, FSCTM
Chair, College Council