

Agenda Item 18
FSMTA Executive Board Meeting
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FSMTA District IX Report

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2008 District Meeting was a business meeting/luncheon held on Saturday, January 12th at Quorum Restaurant in Tampa. District calendar events were confirmed and it was decided to reinstitute a District Concerto Competition Winners Recital to honor the winners.

The 2008 District Concerto Competition was held on Saturday, March 15th at Eckerd College, chaired by Karen Pasquarello. *(Chairman's report not submitted in time for inclusion.)*

The **Chopin Competition**, a joint event produced by two local associations, Upper Pinellas MTA and Greater St. Petersburg MTA, was held on Saturday, April 26th at the Music Gallery in Largo. There were 19 entrants, of which one withdrew for a final count of 18 contestants and 11 participating teachers. Due to the number of entries and in accordance with the posted rules of the competition, an Elimination Round was held. Judges selected 12 contestants to compete in the final Round. The winners of the Competition are: 1st Place with an award of \$150 and a plaque, went to Ram Sundaresh, student of Karen Pasquarello 2nd Place with an award of \$100 and a plaque, went to Syam Sundaresh, student of Karen Pasquarello 3rd Place with an award of \$75 and a plaque, went to James Tian, student of Kinuyo Engelbrecht Best Chopin Interpretation went to Ram Sundaresh, student of Karen Pasquarello. The award was a CD of Chopin selections and a plaque. Judges for the event were, Jacques Linder, Ray Luck and Gregorios Zamparas. Participating teachers were: Angela Baptiste, Ana Bravo, Kinuyo Engelbrecht, Stella Gaukhshteyn, Duncan MacMillan, Susan Mariscal, Karen Pasquarello, Leland Peck, Linda Pointer, Sally Robinson, and Susan Uibel.