

**Florida State Music Teachers Association
2009 State Conference
Third General Session**

**DoubleTree Hotel
Tallahassee, Florida**

**Saturday, June 13, 2009
9:30-10:50 a.m.**

Call to Order Paulette Kilts called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.

Reading of Minutes –Mary Beth Purchase, secretary pro-tem read the minutes of the June 12, 2009 Second General Session. The minutes were approved with three corrections; Susan Myrick's name needed to be removed from the Nominating Committee's list of the incoming slate of FSMTA officers, as she is not on the FSMTA Executive Board. She is the FSMTF Executive Board Treasurer, The wording was removed before the proposed changes to the bylaws, and the date of the 2009 MTNA Competitive events in Ybor City was corrected to read Oct 23 -24, 2009. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Officer Reports:

Vice-President of MTNA Student Events:

Denise Holmsley, standing in for Joanne Smith, reported the October 24-25, 2008 event was held at Hillsborough Community College -Ybor City, using the new Performing Arts building. FSMTA member and host from HCC was Kenneth Hanks. There were 51 solo performers (piano, strings, woodwinds and brass) 1 Chamber ensemble and 14 Composition entrants from Florida were registered. Three competitors proceeded directly to the Southern Division competitions as they were the only contestant in their division. They represented Florida in Jr. String, Sr. Brass, and Chamber Music. Seven winners (Jr. Piano, Sr. Piano, Sr. Strings, YA Piano, YA Strings, YA Brass, YA Woodwind) from the Florida performance competitions who proceeded to Southern Division competitions were listed in the December 2008 issue of the FSMTA newsletter. At the Southern Division competitions at Virginia State University, Petersburg, Virginia, two Florida winners (Jr. Piano and YA Woodwind) were chosen and one honorable mention was awarded (YA Piano). Details on these three students can be found in the Feb/March 2009 issue of the newsletter. In the final MTNA live performance auditions, no awards were given to Florida students, but in

the composition finals, one Third place award was given to the Florida Senior composition winner.

Changes to the MTNA Competition Rules are as follows: Discontinuation of the Junior Brass division. Discontinuation of Sr. and YA concerto requirements. Complete information can be found on the MTNA website at www.mtna.org. The dates for the 2009 MTNA Competitive Events are October 23-24 at HCC in Ybor City, Florida.

Vice-President for FSMTA Competitive Student Events

The annual Florida State Music Teachers Association Competitive Events Day was held May 9, 2009 at Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton. Permission to hold the events and to use the music facilities at FAU was secured through Director of Music, Dr. Heather Coltman, who also helped as site coordinator. A tremendous thank you goes to each of the individual events chairmen who organized their competitions thoroughly and professionally, with help from local teachers and many FAU music students who assisted with monitoring, certificate preparation, and other essential tasks.

She was pleased to report that the new Classical Guitar Competition, which was approved by the board last fall, did take place with three students participating in the pre-college category. She is asking District Competition Chairmen to publicize this event in their districts, in the hope that the event may gain some new FSMTA guitar teachers in FSMTA membership. For the second year in a row, there were no entries in the Pre-College Chamber Music Competition, and small numbers in the Byrd Piano Ensemble Competition. She will try to build more support for these events again through the District competition chairmen.

The award winners have been posted on the FSMTA web-site on the Competitive Events page. Winners of the Senior Concerto Competitions, the Gray Perry Young Collegiate Piano Competition, the Byrd Piano Ensemble Competition, and the FSMTA Classical Guitar Competition have been invited to perform at this conference on a Winners Recital which was held Thursday evening, June 11, at 8pm in Dohnanyi Hall at FSU.

Mary Seal reported her activities have included securing location for the FSMTA Competitive events in Boca in May, 2009, secured applications, judges, events chairmen.

FSMT Foundation President:

Millicent Callobre announced that since the Winter Board Meeting in January, there have been the following donations: \$3,602.50 from the FSMTA dues allocations, \$931.50 from the 2008 Conference, \$500 for the Colvert Endowment, \$75 for the General Funds from District 5, \$50 for the Colvert Endowment from CitiBank matching funds, and \$25 for the Foundation Presidents' Fund from District 8.

On Wed evening, June 10, 2009 the Foundation held a Fund Raising Gala at the Goodwood Museum in Tallahassee. The Gala included tours of the Museum grounds, Dinner, a Cash Bar, and Door Prizes. Thirty-six guests attended.

The estimated profit after expenses were paid will amount to approximately \$500.

The caterer was Paula Kendrick and the Bartender was Christopher Geib and we enjoyed the harp music of Jamie Ann Gossett.

Door prizes were awarded and three raffle prizes were awarded. The Original floral painting was won by Al Rozier, the Gift Certificate from Sun Harvest was won by Martha Stubbs and the Gourmet Food Gift Basket was won by Marc Hebda. The cost of attending the Gala was \$50

Activities of this President in preparation for the Gala included: Working with Securing Goodwood Museum, the Caterer, and Bartender and Harpist, working with the Treasurer to obtain the checks for all of the above, securing of door prizes and raffle prizes, purchase of table decorations and ticket rolls, preparation of signs for display tables and bar and preparation of name tags and table name cards.

A display table with Foundation information was set up in the hotel's Salon and brought in \$130.00. Our members were again asked to be Foundation Friends with a donation of \$20 or more. Those who attended the Gala will also be mentioned as Foundation Friends in the next Newsletter.

The winner of a Silk Floral arrangement, valued at \$120 will be announced during this Third General Session of this Conference. It was Paulette Kilts.

Awards are listed on the website

Gala fundraiser: 36 guests, harpist, tour, raffle. She approximates a profit of \$500.00

Ms. Callobre thanked Marc Hebda for finding the location for the Gala.

New Slate of FSMTF Officers:

Paulette Kilts – FSMTF President

Marc Hebda - President-Elect

Anna Fagan - FSMTF Vice-President

Mary Beth Purchase - FSMTF Recording Secretary

Susan Myrick- FSMTF Treasurer

FSMT Foundation Treasurer

Bill Jennings reported that all of the endowments are over \$5000.00 each. Cash on hand is \$12,456.42 and the total of the CD investments is \$114,000.00.

Presentation of Community Service Awards:

Mark Repasky presented the Community Service award to the 2009 recipient of the Leroy Greenspan Award: Elizabeth Sierocinski. The award was accepted on behalf of Ms. Sierocinski by Broward County Music Teachers Association President Mary Beth Purchase.

Necrology

Vice-President of Membership Becky Barlar reported that since the last annual conference, the following have passed away and deserve our recognition:

1. Julia Sublette, Okaloosa County MTA, District 1
2. Mary G. Flye, Jacksonville MTA, District 4
3. Rita Hutcherson, Broward County MTA, District 6
4. Lilia Zairna, Miami MTA, District 6

Ms. Barlar asked the members to stand for a moment of silence.

Conference Report

Susan Myrick

There were 97 registrants for the 2009 conference. 61 full, 11 spouse, 22 single day registrations, and 6 student registrations. She expressed appreciation to Marc Hebda, who stepped in and filled the vacancy left by the passing of Conference Chair, Julia Sublette.

Emilie Bova, from District I and Norma Mastrogiamomo, from District II, accepted certificates of appreciation for their districts efforts for the 75th Diamond Anniversary Conference.

Resolutions

Emilie Bova read the Conference Resolutions:

Whereas, the Florida State Music Teachers Association's 75th Annual Conference, "75th Annual Conference: Diamond Anniversary" was held at the DoubleTree Hotel, Tallahassee, Florida, June 10 through 13, 2009, with President Paulette Kilts presiding, and hosting provided by Districts I and II, and the hotel was beautiful and well-suited for the conference, and the host committee had made thorough preparation and arrangements, and The Florida State University College of Music was gracious and accommodating for the weekend's events,

Whereas, the supporting sponsors, businesses and presenters helped make the conference one of high quality,

Whereas, Charlie Crist, Governor of Florida, John Marks, Mayor of Tallahassee, Don Gibson, Dean of the College of Music at The Florida State University, Ann Gipson, MTNA President, Gary L. Ingle, MTNA Executive Director and CEO, Fay Adams, MTNA Southern Division Director, and Paulette Kilts, FSTMA President extended greetings,

Whereas, banquet speaker, Gary Ingle, guest speaker Don Gibson, commissioned composer, Clifton Callendar, teacher artists, student competition winners in concert in Dohnanyi Hall at The Florida State University College of Music, session Presenters, officers and chairpersons, all carried out their duties in an outstanding manner,

Whereas, conference guest artist Ann Schein's Concert in Opperman Hall on the campus of The Florida State University and Master Class at the DoubleTree hotel were excellent,

Therefore, be it resolved to hereby publicly thank all participants for their contributions toward the success of the 75th Annual FSMTA Conference, And be it further resolved to make these resolutions a part of the minutes of this Third General Session.

Installation of Officers (2009-2011) The ceremony was performed by Dr. Paul Stewart, past MTNA President.

President Marc Hebda

President-Elect Adrienne LeBlanc

VP for Membership Anna Fagan

VP for District and Local Assns Jo Plunkett

VP for MTNA Competitive Events Denise Homsley

VP for FSMTA Competitive Events Mary Seal

VP for FSMTA Non-Competitive Events Tanya Brooks

Recording Secretary Mary Beth Purchase

Corresponding Secretary Dr. Lisa Leonard

FSMTA Treasurer Al Rozier

FSMT Foundation President Paulette Kilts

FSMT Foundation Treasurer Susan Myrick

Paulette Kilts presented Marc Hebda with the gavel and Roberts Rule of Order.

New President's Response

Marc Hebda presented to Paulette Kilts a lovely crystal vase, engraved with the FSMTA logo in appreciation for her two years of service as FSMTA President. Mr. Hebda stated that he was honored to be the new FSMTA president and brought before the membership past FSMTA presidents and the legacies they left behind. He pointed out the fact that many of the wonderful facilities at Florida State University are named after these men, who used their talent and dedication to lead this organization in its mission and purpose throughout its 75-year history. He expressed personal appreciation to past presidents Joan Mank, Martha Stubbs and Leonard Mastrogiacomo for their support and encouragement during his development as a leader. He reminded us that MTNA, FSMTA and our district and local associations give a sense of family and community to us that it provides around our common purpose and it is our responsibility to give back by carrying out the aims and supporting the larger musical purpose. He reminded us that each time we participate in a competition, sponsor a collegiate chapter, mentor a new member, offer to help at a conference, provide a scholarship we are doing the work of FSMTA and, more importantly, we are "advancing music in the state of Florida".

Unfinished Business - none

New Business

Call for FSMTA 2010 State Conference

Lesia Schulha reported that the Conference will move back to the fall of 2010. It will be held in Sarasota. New information will be announced in the FSMTA newsletter.

Announcements Left over packets from the two workshops are available in the registration area.

Drawing winners were announced.

Adjournment

Marc Hebda adjourned the Third General Session at 10:43 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Beth Purchase
Recording Secretary