



FLORIDA STATE MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

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**Executive Board Meetings: Wednesday, 3 November 2010, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
and Saturday, 6 November 2010, 7:00 a.m. – 7:50 a.m.
Hilton Garden Inn, Sarasota
Dolphin Room
(Voting members listed in italics)**

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 PM by President Marc Hebda

Roll Call by Signature

Mary Beth Purchase

*Marc Hebda Adrienne LeBlanc Anna Fagan Denise Holmsley Jo Ploukett
Mary Seal Tanya Brooks Mary Beth Purchase Lisa Leonard Albert Rozier
Norma Mastrogiacomo Carolyn Troupin Priscilla Heffield Zelda Jensen
Lesia Schulha Becky Barlar Helen Dingus Maria Santilli Paulette Kilts Martha Stubbs
Charles Turon Joan Mank Sonja Rozier Michelle Snow Carmen Cuenca
Amy Turon Millicent Callobre Charlaine Free Anne McLean*

Approval of Minutes

Mary Beth Purchase

The minutes of the June 12, 2010 Board Meeting were approved as written

Treasurer Report

Albert Rozier

Mr. Rozier reported that we have \$86,418.90 total liability and equity

Officers and Standing Committee Reports:

1. President's Report:

Marc Hebda

Activities since the June, 2010, Executive Board Meeting:

- Reviewed minutes from the Executive Board (EB) meeting in Gainesville, 2010
- Contracted with the Cabot Lodge, Gainesville, for the summer board meeting, June, 2011
- Prepared agenda and memos regarding these EB meetings
- Prepared newsletter articles
- Updated the state portal on the MTNA website
- Responded to emails requesting advisement from numerous EB members
- Formatted and finalized the pedagogy certification exam
- Formatted and finalized the theory certification exam
- Appointed Jennifer Donelson to compose the history certification exam

- Consulted with Helen Dinghus on certification handbooks
- Consulted with the 2010 Conference Chair and Advisor
- Prepared agendas for the three conference General Sessions
- Submitted Welcome Letter for conference handbook
- Consulted with Composition Commissioning Chair, Joan Mank, on the progress of FSMTA's 2011 commissioned composition
- Contacted MTNA Executive Director and CEO, Gary Ingle, to inform him that the FSMTA commissioned composition had been completed and delivered, requesting MTNA forward their portion of the commission fee to FSMTA Treasurer, Al Rozier, to be awarded at the Second General Session at this conference
- Added EducationDegree.com link to the website
- Added ClassicalConnect.com to the website
- Sent out miscellaneous EB Memos
- Consulted with Mary Seal and Paulette Kilts on the King Music Education Scholarship Award
- Appointed Kerri Turner as the King Music Education Scholarship Award Chair
- Accepted Valentin Bogdan's resignation, effective January 1, 2011, as FSMTA Theory Chair due to his relocation to Arizona. Though living out of state, Valentin has graciously offered to complete his work on the DSD theory exams. A letter of appreciation to Valentin for his work on the certification theory exam and the DSD theory exams was forwarded on behalf of FSMTA. The appointment will remain open for President-Elect, Adrienne LeBlanc, to fill in her tenure since there are no pending projects for this position.

1a. Ethics - No report filed

Leonard Mastrogiacomo (PP)

1b. Parliamentarian - No report filed

Maria Santilli

1c. Composition Commissioning

Joan Mank (PP)

Ms. Mank encouraged all presidents, district and local, to become more aware of the talented composers in their areas so that we can have more entries.

Charles Turon moved that Shawn Hundley be considered as the 2011 Commissioned Composer. **M2P**

2. President-Elect

Adrienne LeBlanc

State Conference Chair

As President Elect, I have been most active as the State chair of the State Conference Committee for the 2010 and 2011 Conferences. I have attended planning meetings for the 2010 conference since February. Planning meetings are now under way as well, for the 2011 Conference.

MTNA Foundation Representative

I have received information from the National Office regarding the Foundation, and have passed that information on to the FSMTA members by submitting articles to the state newsletter.

As MTNA Foundation Representative, I have attempted to raise funds by asking music dealers to donate items to be used for a drawing to be held at our state conference. I was successful in obtaining donations from 4 dealers. The gifts have been acknowledged by thank you notes to the donors. The drawing will be held at the 3rd General Session of the 2010 Conference in Sarasota/Bradenton. I have also been in contact with the national office to obtain brochures to be distributed at this conference.

Ad Hoc Committee

At the last board meeting, I was asked to serve on a committee formed to advise on the status of the state newsletter. The business of that committee was conducted through various emails and phone conversations. The decisions of that committee will be announced in the editor's report.

National Conference

Last year, FSMTA donated a gift to the State Pride display and drawing in Albuquerque. Ms. LeBlanc would like to know if the board would like a gift purchased and donated again this year in Milwaukee. The cost of the gift would not exceed the \$50 amount allotted in previous years. If so she would like to make the following motion:

MOTION: I move that funds not to exceed \$50 be set aside for the State Pride Drawing to be held at the next National Conference in Albuquerque. M2P

She would like to ask the board if they want a table at the gala during the National Conference in Milwaukee to be reserved for members from the state of Florida. At the last board meeting it was decided not to select a Florida Fellow every year. Therefore, the desire to attend the gala to honor our fellow would not be a pertinent issue this year. If the board desires to have a table, Ms. LeBlanc would like to make the following motion:

MOTION: I move that the funds be set aside for a table at the MTNA Foundation Gala in 2011. M2P

Ms. LeBlanc asked that we please let her know if you are interested in attending the Gala and being seated at the Florida table.

2a. 2010 Conference

Lesia Schulha

The return to a fall Conference can be presumed to be a resounding success. We had 112 members pre-register by November 1" as well as 11 students for Free Student Friday from out of town. 112 out of 745 FSMTA memberships is 15% participation. Out of that number, 80% registered for all 3 days which included the concerts and banquet.

Out of a total of 25 presenters, we had 7 from out of state, including FJH and Alfred representatives Dr. Helen Marlais and Dr. Gayle Kowalchuk from California, both of whom gave 3 presentations each. We had Sally Bonkrude from Colorado, Ms. Ogilvy from Texas, Ms. Herbein from PCJU1sylvania, and Drs Garcia and Lim from Louisiana. Our Master Classes this year included Intermediate and Advanced Piano, Guitar and Voice. Programs were printed for all.

For the Presidents Luncheon we had 28 Local and District Presidents attend, another high percentage. We also featured a free Continental breakfast before Presentations began.

For the Conference Friday Banquet, we had to expand our seating from 100 to 110 and still had a waiting list. Out of the 110, 18 were spouses and guests.

With the motto, "New Decade, New Perspective" we generated some buzz for presentations which led to us having more than we could use. The extra people were referred to next year's Conference in Orlando. Two vocal sessions were presented, and a Master Class. A new feature, an electronic Infomercial was sent out between

newsletters, and sent snail mail to those without internet, to remind members of some of the highlights of our programming and to put yet one more copy of the Registration form in their hands.

We are expecting up to 10 more registrations at the desk, plus at least 4 more students on Friday. We are way in the black for Conference 2010 and will be pursuing possible plans with FSMT F. I would like to personally thank the following who were helpful from the beginning and willing to work from the start: Sheron White, Mary Seal, Adrienne LeBlanc, Marc Hebda, Charles Turon, Mary Webb, Mary Beth Purchase and her binder, Geri Zandstra, Jan Mason and Candace Sundby.

Recommendations:

- Feature non-piano Master Classes and sessions on an announced rotational basis.
- Start hotel search 2 years before conference date. I found out that the one larger hotel which hosts most of the Conferences in the Sarasota area was partly booked 1-2 years in advance and we couldn't get 2 rooms, let alone 3, for Friday morning sessions.
- Allow standardization of certain forms such as Exhibits and letters of introduction.
- Have the current Chair advise for continued Conference contact with large companies.

2b. 2011 Conference

Anne McLean

Dr. McLean presented the selection of 3 concert artists for our perusal and vote for the 2011 Conference. The Conference hotel will be the Hilton Daytona Beach Hotel Resort on Thur-Sun, Nov 6-9, 2011. All meeting room fees are waived Right now there is a verbal agreement with Daytona Beach State College for the MTNA Competitions

MOTION: Charles Turon moved that we accept Howard Shelley as our concert artist for 2011. M2P

2c. Independent Music Teachers Forum - No report filed

Rebecca Micha

2d. Collaborative Performance Forum - No report filed

Carolyn Bridger

3. Vice President for Membership

Anna Fagan

Annual Membership Statistics				
	Oct 2007	Oct 2008	Oct 2009	Oct 2010
<i>Total Paid Members</i>	829	791	771	743
Net Gain from Previous Year	(-49)	(-38)	(-20)	(-28)
New Members	80	71	49	45
Non-Renewals	167	160	146	145
College Faculty Members	133	100	123	119

Paid Members by District				
	Oct 2007	Oct 2008	Oct 2009	Oct 2010
District 1	87	81	77	76
District 2	48	52	49	47
District 3	57	56	56	49
District 4	66	64	68	67
District 5	83	80	87	85
District 6	236	225	207	196
District 7	40	35	35	31

District 8	77	74	64	69
District 9	136	124	128	123

Paid Members by Category				
	Oct 2007	Oct 2008	Oct 2009	Oct 2010
Associate	10	6	4	4
Senior	133	176	160	157
Honorary	1	0	0	1
Individual	640	562	564	536
Provisional	20	24	22	16
Student	25	23	19	26
Retired	-	-	1	1
Life	-	-	1	2

Activities Since June 2009 State Conference

- Provided new member information, changes in contact information of current members and other information as needed to Webmaster Amy Turon for the FSMTA website.
- Submitted bimonthly reports/articles to the Newsletter Editor, Becky Barlar.
- Provided a bimonthly count and mailing list (labels) to Tennant Printing for newsletter.
- Forwarded newsletters to members due to address changes we were not notified on.
- Successfully transferred all membership information from our former database software (ACE) into Microsoft Access.
- Updated the FSMTA database from monthly MTNA membership renewal reports.
- Updated FSMTA database as members reported changes in contact information.
- Updated e-mail list for those members opting to receive the FSMTA newsletter online.
- Processed new member applications, updated the FSMTA database, mailed “welcome” packets, and forwarded new applicant dues and MTNA applications to Treasurer, Albert Rozier.
- Answered e-mail and telephone questions about FSMTA membership and referred prospective members to the appropriate Local Membership Chair when applicable.
- Answered e-mail and telephone questions from District and Local Presidents regarding membership information.
- Corresponded with Local Membership Chairs about prospective and new members and application procedures, including the raise in MTNA Collegiate dues, and the updated 2010/2011 Membership application.
- E-mailed copies of the provisional member letter and membership test study guide to Local Membership Chairs
- Corresponded with Elaine Donaldson in the MTNA membership department as needed
- Provided membership information to President Marc Hebda.
- Provided information to Charlaire Free, Provisional Member Chair.

- Provided information to Charles Turon, College Council Chair.
- Provided information to Helen Dingus, Certification Chair.
- Sold 805 labels (\$80.50) to St. Petersburg College's Fine Arts College for publicity purposes.
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Ms. Fagan announced 45 new members, yet membership is declining. She sent out exit questionnaires to membership chairs, citing the economy and retirement as a leading cause.

3a. Provisional Membership

Charlaine Free

Ms. Free reported there are currently 32 Provisional Members listed on the state database and that since October, 2009: Patti Gray forfeited her membership

3b. College Council - Electronically submitted

Charles Turon (PP)

Charles Turon announced that 8 college council members will be presenting at this conference. They are not going to hold a collegiate coda due to scheduling conflicts with the MTNA competitions

4. Vice President for District and Local Associations – Electronically submitted

Jo Plunkett

- Emailed or called local and districts presidents repeatedly in an attempt to verify officers of each local and district
- Worked with Web Master, Amy Turon, in trying to get slate of FSMTA Local and District officers corrected.
- Miscellaneous communications with several local and district officers.
- Communicated with 2010 Treasurer to verify the number of people signed up for the Local and District president's luncheon.
- Sent emails to all Local/District presidents to remind them to turn in conference reports.
- Attended Summer Board meeting.
- Emailed messages to the Local and District presidents (with copies to FSMTA President Marc Hebda, webmaster Amy Turon, and the President of the District)....notifying them of officers on their local or district who are delinquent in their dues. We hope to get this matter corrected soon.
- Prepared agenda for President's luncheon at 2010 conference.

4a. Arts Awareness and Advocacy

Sonja Rozier

Ms. Rozier announced that she attended the June F AAE "Leadership Conference" in Lakeland as a representative of FSMTA This three day conference brings arts leaders from throughout the nation and the state together as a time to educate, network and problem solve.

The arts community has been at a standstill waiting for the decision of the 2010 mid-term elections. The recession continues to have drastic effects on programs and jobs. The outcome of the vote on Amendment 8 has local School Boards holding their breath. Everyone is looking for solutions to all of the financial problems.

Ms. Rozier said BRAVO to Sherron Long, President of the Florida Cultural Alliance. Sherron created a Arts Advocacy survey and sent it to all of the candidates running for National and State offices. A copy of the survey was on the FCA website for use by local advocates. Each day Sherron would update the website so that candidate opinions were known to voters. Throughout the state people have been working to get candidates who did not return the survey to give an answer to very important questions. Many times this took a personal meeting with the candidate to impress on them the need to complete this survey. The information compiled by Sherron Long has been invaluable for making informed decisions about candidates and the arts. All this information continues to be on the FCA website. www.flca.net. Just seeing who gave a response, even after personal contact, tells a lot about the candidate. The Florida Association for Arts Education local coalitions have been organizing "Meet the

Candidates". While this is a grassroots method of meeting local politicians, it also leads into many discussions of possible legislation to be presented in Tallahassee. F AAE is organizing "Leadership Symposiums" to be held in different areas of the state, which will make attendance easier for those interested in supporting the arts. Monthly webinars are being held with Board members and Statewide Partners (FSMTA is a partner) to share information and strategies. The Department of Education released the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards for the Arts in September. This was published so that all interested in arts education had a voice in what will be taught in the Florida classrooms. The NGSSS-Arts were developed by an education team and the public was given a chance to give their opinion on the subject matter. FSMTA had a link to the DOE on our website so that our members could be informed. The NGSSS-Arts will become law in 2012 and will govern what arts teachers will be expected to teach in their classroom. There is still a lot of discussion about making a music test (grades 4, 8 10) as part of the FCAT test. FMEA has already created the leveled test and has pilot tested in Grade 4. Grades 8 and 10 are ready to pilot test. Due to finances, this has been delayed to an unknown date.

4b. FSMTA Teacher Awards

Michelle Snow

Michelle Snow was announced that Mary Lou Krosnick was selected as the FSMTA Excellence in Teaching award. The award will be presented at conference

4c. Taxation and Licensing

- No report filed

Jan Khorsandian

4d. Collegiate Chapter Chair/VCCI

- No report filed

Megan Walsh

5. Vice President for MTNA Student Competitive Events

Denise Homsley

Ms. Holmsley announced that the 2010 MTNA Competitions will take place at State College of Florida-Bradenton Campus on Saturday, November 6th from 8:00 AM- 7:30 PM in three performance venues: the Neel Performing Arts Center Auditorium, Rehearsal Hall, and Room 179.

There are fifty-two solo performers (piano, strings, brass and woodwinds), one chamber ensemble, one piano duet team, and five composition entrants from the State of Florida registered for the 2010 MTNA Competitions. Contestants will be performing in the newly renovated Music Building and Neel Performing Arts Center on the State College of Florida-Bradenton campus.

Florida MTNA Competition winners will go to the Southern Division competitions at Columbus State University in Columbus, Georgia on January 14-17, 2011. There are also five State Representatives who will advance to Southern Division. (State Representatives are single entrants in a category at the state level.) State Representatives are the Chamber Ensemble, Senior Piano Duet, Senior Brass, Young Artist Voice, and Young Artist Composition entrants.

Ms. Holmsley extends her thanks to Competition Coordinators Wanda Louie (Junior Division), Mary Lou Krosnick (Senior Division), Leonard Mastrogiacomo (Young Artist Division), and Carol Payne (Composition) and SCF host, Dr. Charles Turon, have done a superb job in preparing for this very special event!

Below are the number of entries in each division and category:

Total

Junior: Piano - 11 String - 5 Junior 16

Senior: Piano - 11 String - 3 Brass - 1 Senior 15

Young Artist: Piano - 7 String - 2 Woodwind. - 5 Voice - 1 Brass - 6 Young Artist 21

Senior Piano Duet - 1 Sr. Piano Duet 1

Chamber Music - 1 Chamber Music 1

Composition: Elementary- 0 Junior- 2 Senior- 2 Young Artist- 1 Composition 10

Ms. Holmsley announced that rehearsals are on Friday, Nov 5. The competition will take place on Saturday, Nov 6.

Mr. Hebda asked about having a judge even if they have only one entrant.

It was suggested that we strongly encourage the attendance to perform at the competition of the single entrants, so that they can experience the whole package.

- 5a. Chamber Music Coordinator- No report filed** **Jeanie Darnell**
- 5b. Composition Coordinator – No report filed** **Carol Payne**
- 5c. Junior Coordinator- No report filed** **Wanda Louie**
- 5d. Senior Coordinator- No report filed** **Mary Lou Krosnick**
- 5e. Young Artist Coordinator – No report filed (PP)** **Leonard Mastrogiacomo**

6. Vice President for FSMTA Student Competitive Events **Mary Seal**

Since the June Executive Board meeting Ms. Seal reports that she has:

- Arranged a site for next year's events, and wrote an announcement for the FSMTA newsletter. In 2011 the FSMTA Competitive Events will be held at Florida State University in Tallahassee on May 13 and 14.
- Worked with the FSMTA Conference Planning Committee to put together the Student Winners Recital, to be held Nov. 4, 2010 at the Neel Auditorium, SCF.
- Discussed the rules and application procedure for organizing the new King Music Education Scholarship together with Helen King, Marc Hebda, and Paulette Kilts.
- Worked with the Ad hoc committee to revise the District Concerto Competition together with Paulette Kilts and Rosalie Gregory.
- Clarified the rules on who may be a participant in the Pre-College Chamber Music Competition. This was necessitated because one chamber music ensemble team in the 2010 competition had to be disqualified due to using an adult pianist.
- Dealt with the topic of music which is legally downloaded and printed. After discussing this with President Marc Hebda, Norma and Leonard Mastrogiacomo, and conferring with Linda Stump, Chairman of Competitions at MTNA, FSMTA will follow the MTNA guidelines on this issue. They are:

All entrants and accompanists must abide by the federal Copyright Law. **Photocopies are strongly discouraged.**

All scores must be submitted to competition officials prior to the entrant's performance.

A Music Release Form must be signed for any photocopies being used. This form is available from MTNA.

Ms. Seal announced that next year's FSMTA competitive events will be held May 13 and 14 at Florida State University. Ms. Seal expressed concern that of the two Senior Concerto winners, only one was coming to perform at the conference, due to the fact the other student was away at out of state college. . She asked for opinions regarding adding the wording choosing an alternate in the event that the 1st place winner could not attend the conference performance.

She announced that we have a new King Music Education Scholarship which will be for college students, sophomore and beyond.

Regarding music that is legally downloaded: Follow MTNA guidelines (on the website) Amy Turon volunteered to put a link to the MTNA General Counsel article on our website under student activities.

6a. Byrd Piano Ensemble

Norma Mastrogiacomo

This year no one participated in the Byrd competition. Ms. Mastrogiacomo encouraged us to go back to our districts and local organizations and encourage greater participation

6b. Community Service Awards

Martha Stubbs (PP)

Ms. Stubbs announced that is with great pleasure that she will be presenting The Leroy Greenspan Award and The Local Presidents FSMTA Community Service Awards during the third general session at this conference. Each of the winners –Allison Martin and Mathew Falgowski, will receive a plaque, a certificate of recognition, and a check during the Third General Session at the FSMTA 76th Annual Conference, which will be Saturday, November 6, 2010. The Leroy Greenspan winner will receive a check for \$500 and The Local Association President will receive a check for \$200.

All members of FSMTA are encouraged to submit applications for their students who are presently a member of the ninth grade class for the 2011 Local Presidents FSMTA Community Service Award and for their students who are presently a member of the twelfth grade class for the 2010 Leroy Greenspan Memorial FSMTA Community Service Award.

The applications are due to the president of the local MTA or High School Liaison Chairman by March 1, 2011. The only change is that all pictures are submitted electronically. Applications of each county winner with the \$25 fee per applicant must be in the hands of the FSMTA State Chairman by April 1, 2011.

The application fee is paid by the local MTA.

The applications may be downloaded from www.fmta.org. Simply click on the sidebar “Competitive Event Forms” and scroll down to the appropriate form.

The Local Presidents FSMTA Community Service Award winner receives a plaque and a check for \$200. The Leroy Greenspan Memorial FSMTA Community Service Award winner receives a plaque and a check for \$500. Your assistance at the local and district levels to encourage students to apply is very much appreciated. In 2010 there were a total of seven applicants.

The deadline for next year is March 30, 2011

6c. Concerto Competition

- No report filed

Kyung-Ae Gibson

6d. Gray Perry-Young Collegiate Competition

- No report filed

Norma Mastrogiacomo

6e. Pre-Collegiate Chamber Competition

- No report filed

Liz Kiebler

6f. Pre-Collegiate/Collegiate Guitar Competition

- No report filed

Mary McOwen

7. Vice President for FSMTA Non-Competitive Events- Electronically submitted

Tanya Brooks

Ms. Brooks announced that the 2011 tests are online. Everything she has is online. In the general area, anyone can see the introduction page. Only members can view the handbook. The chairmen page where the tests are is password protected. There is a tally sheet and a leftover items sheet. Please fill it out online. She suggested we look at the handbook online and see what may still need to be included.

7a. Apprentice Judging

- No report filed

Carmen Cuenca

7b. Assistant/Certificates

- Electronically submitted

Betsy Randolph

All Student Day Chairmen will receive a packet of Student Day certificates and gold medals at the FSMTA Conference. They will receive enough of each item to bring their stock back up to and exceed the number they used this year for their Student Day event. Ms Randolph will have District Event certificates available at the Student Activities meeting at the conference for those districts who have Concerto events or other District events. She found this year that she had to send out several

throughout the year to various districts, which was costly. She hopes that DSD chairs will pick up enough District events certificates at the meeting to avoid any future mailings.

All Student Day related material is now online, so she no longer need to include the theory tests, the tally sheets or the final report. Ms. Randolph expressed appreciate Tanya's and Amy's hard work putting this information on line. We will save a great deal of money in copying costs by doing this.

I recently purchased, on behalf of FSMTA, another 500 Certificates of Progress. Following the conference, I will go back through our inventory and see if I need to order more of any other certificates in preparation for next year. I will have to purchase more gold seals.

I would also like to thank Treasurer Al Rozier for his prompt reimbursements throughout the year for any expenses I accrued on behalf of FSMTA.

7c. Student Handbook Revision - Electronically submitted

Betsy Randolph

There were no revisions made this year to the Handbook. She would like to see us start working on revising the Repertoire lists for each level, and would suggest a committee be formed at the upcoming conference to aid in that effort. The handbook, in its entirety, is now on line, which is a great relief and reduction in printing costs and mailing costs. Ms. Randolph expressed a big thank you to Tanya Brooks and Amy Turon for their hard work seeing that this was accomplished.

7d. Student Handbook Distribution - Electronically submitted

Bettina Flory

Ms. Flory reported that at the time of this writing only six handbooks are left. After they are sold you may only obtain the Student Activities Handbook online by logging in and downloading it as you need it.

7e. Theory No report submitted

Valentin Bogdan

8. Recording Secretary

Mary Beth Purchase

Since the June 12, 2010 FSMTA Executive Board Meeting and the FSMT Foundation Board Meeting, Ms. Purchase transcribed the minutes of the meetings and sent them to the Corresponding Secretary to be sent electronically to the board members.

8a. Archives/History

Tammy Davis

Ms. Davis reported that after some discussions with the University of Central Florida's archivist, she made the suggestion that all the Florida organizations could send their information to be saved at the UCF archives. Each organization's information would be stored in their own file, under FSMTA. She believes this would be a great thing to consider in the event a member of a district, not close by, needed some information. Ms. Davis understands that many districts would like to keep the information close to home for their own referral. But most information is in duplicate form and a copy could still be stored at a local archive. If this is not agreeable, I believe organizations should consider housing their information at a local library or public facility. This makes it more easily accessible for anyone that might want to search the archives. But by storing FSMTA and all the Florida district's information together, in one location, makes nice unified archives with information readily available for everyone. The archivist also made the offer to send someone to a meeting if everyone would like to hear more about what information UCF archives will store and how they like to receive the information.

9. Corresponding Secretary - Electronically submitted

Lisa Leonard

Ms. Leonard reported that this office has fulfilled the following since the June EB meeting:

- Maintained the EB roster
- Emailed minutes from June EB, General and Foundation meetings
- Emailed two memos from President Hebda concerning the Fall Sarasota Conference
- Emailed the agenda for the fall EB and FSMTF meeting

- Emailed announcement of Bill Jennings passing and sent condolence card to his family
- Collected, collated and distributed committee and board member reports in preparation for fall Sarasota EB meeting
- Emailed separate copies of all submitted reports to the webmaster
- Sent via USPS copies of all correspondence to Ms. Joan Mank
- Maintained a folder of all letters from the President and a folder of this offices' reports as outlined in procedure manual

Lisa Leonard also requested we send our reports directly to her and copy Amy Turon.

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| 10. District 1 President | No report filed | Emilie Bova |
| 11. District 2 President | Electronically submitted | Norma Mastrogiacomo |
| 12. District 3 President | Electronically submitted | Carolyn Troupin |
| 13. District 4 President | No report filed | Liz Kiebler |
| 14. District 5 President | Electronically submitted | Priscilla Heffield |
| 15. District 6 President | Electronically submitted | Zelda Jensen |
| 16. District 7 President | No report filed | Candace Sundby |
| 17. District 8 President | Electronically submitted | Lesia Schulha |
| 18. District 9 President | Electronically submitted | Duncan MacMillan |

19. Editor **Becky Barlar**

Two issues of The Florida State Music Teacher newsletter have been published since the June Executive Board meeting. Both of these issues came out later than I had hoped due to a slow turn-around by the printer. They may have a new designer, as the first issue this year required four sets of revisions before it was ready for publication. The designer took a week to send me the first proof of the last issue, and there were delays in returning corrected proofs to me as well. I was given no explanation for the delays. This is especially bothersome when we have time sensitive items in the newsletter.

The chart below breaks down the number of copies printed and the costs for mailing and printing each of these issues.

Date -	No. -	Pages -	Printing costs-	Postage -	Total
Aug./Sept.	760	12+insert	\$1005.80+187.25	\$366.31	\$1559.36
Oct./Nov.	700	8	\$ 834.60	\$295.22	\$1129.82

The cost of the August/September issue was higher than any of the other newsletters that have been published since I took over as editor. Since the state conference was returning to the fall, we sent this issue not only to the members who had renewed for the 2010-2011 membership year, but also to those who had not yet renewed. The hope was that this would not only encourage them to go ahead and renew but also to attend some or all of the conference.

The October/November issue cost less than the previous six newsletters because fewer copies were printed and mailed. This may be an indication of a decline in membership numbers since only 111 members have currently agreed to view the newsletter online compared to 124 members at the end of last membership year. We did not have any advertisements in these two issues, although I have had some inquiries from advertisers for future issues.

The deadline for the December/January issue is November 10. If you have pictures or articles

about the conference to include in this issue, please prepare them right away and get them to me as soon as possible. I will try to accommodate late submissions if you warn me in advance to expect them, but I will need to get the information to the printer a few days before the Thanksgiving holiday to get this issue out in a timely fashion. Deadline for the next issue is Nov. 10th. We are encouraged to talk to our local about receiving the newsletter online. This will save us \$2.00 per copy not sent.

19a. Manual of Procedures

Zelda Jensen

Since June 2010 the following has been added to the Manual:

Section B of the Tables of Contents has 2 additions:

- Pg 17 Conference Planning Committee
- Pg 33 Timetable for State Conference Planning

There was a request for an e-copy of the Community Service Manual to be sent to new incoming officer Martha Stubbs.

Newsletter Editor Becky Barlar made an update to the Editor Manual..

Now that the respective chairpersons have had the opportunity to experience their positions first hand, this is a request to please take a look and see whether there should be any suggestions or changes made for a smoother job description, especially if your term is finished.

Please confirm with me at zmus1@aol.com if you are continuing in your position or to whom you are handing over. Please include the new officer's e-mail.

19b. Webmaster

Amy Turon

Website update:

- Initiated and regularly updated 2010/2011 Membership Directory online.
- Sent out emails to all FSMTA members as directed by FSMTA officers.
- Assisted with redirecting and answering questions which came via email through the website
- Posted Conference details to the website as they became available.
- Posted minutes, reports, and conference book from Fall EB meetings.
- Posted The Florida State Music Teacher newsletters on line.
- Kept "Upcoming Events" section of the website up-to-date.
- Kept "Announcements" section of the website up-to-date.
- Added secure area to the website for Student Day Chairmen. Uploaded guidelines, sight-reading, and adjudication forms for piano, harp, guitar, string and voice.
- Added secure area to the website for FSMTA members to access the Student Day Handbook.
- Posted the Student Day Handbook to the website to make it available to all members.
- Designed and assembled the FSMTA 2010 Conference book and had it published.
- Attended Conference planning committee meetings.
- Posted PayPal account information on the website for the 2010 FSMTA Conference.
- Updated the list of officers in the online Handbook per instructions from VP for Local and District Associations.
- Verified active membership status for listed officers.
- Updated list of members who have current certifications at the state and local level.
- Posted winners of Local Presidents Community Service Award and Leroy Greenspan Memorial Community Service Awards to the website

With the handbook going online, they are large files. They could take a while to download. Ms. Turon suggests that members may want to go to a copy center and download them. The files can be downloaded to your harddrive and put it on a flash drive.

20. Certification

Helen Dingus

Ms. Dingus reported that since the June meeting, she has responded to all mail and phone calls received and researched files for answers to questions from FSMTA members, officers and chairmen; copied FSMTA and MTNA correspondence to Jo Plunkett, Southeastern Region MTNA Certification Commissioner; reprinted Certification Handbook; submitted articles for our newsletters.

Ms. Dingus announced the MTNA certification of Carolyn Schlatter. Carolyn is a teacher at Northwest Florida State College. Her's is a College Faculty certification.

She conducted correspondence regarding the expectation that three FSMTA members would take the MTNA examination (under the old plan) at the November meeting in Sarasota; All three members, Peggy Gallagher, Marie Budinsky-Maher and Mary Beth Purchase, have opted to take the examinations at an independent testing facility in South Florida instead.

Ms. Dingus continued working with FSMTA President Marc Hebda to finalize FSMTA certification examinations for teachers without music degrees. FSMTA had been relying on using the MTNA certification examinations for these members who wanted to take them to receive FSMTA certification. As of January 1, 2010, MTNA is no longer administering these MTNA certification examinations. The FSMTA Provisional Chairman has examinations for teachers moving from Provisional to Active membership status. FSMTA exams for FSMTA certification are to determine the general musical knowledge of these teachers who would like to be certified by FSMTA. Several years ago a motion had been previously passed to produce tests for FSMTA. Therefore, the decision was made to move ahead and develop FSMTA certification tests for Theory and Pedagogy. President Hebda kindly obtained highly skilled persons to prepare these two tests for FSMTA to have them available by January 1, 2010 when MTNA would no longer be administering theirs. The FSMTA test for Pedagogy has been prepared by Dr. Vicki McArthur. The Theory test has been prepared by Dr. Valentin Bogdan. These two tests were finalized before the June 2010 meeting. Until a specialist in Music History and Literature could be obtained, we expected to have the FSMTA Student Day examiner determine the teacher's level of general musical understanding. Now a specialist, Dr. Jennifer Donelson, has agreed to develop the FSMTA Music History Certification Examination. Performance competency (when necessary) is to be assessed by an FSMTA performer (in the specified instrumental area) who is acceptable to the certification credentials committee.

Ms. Dingus asked FSMTA to join her in showing our deep appreciation to President Hebda for his thoroughness and expertise in overseeing the work of all of the FSMTA Certification Examination Specialists. These are: Dr. Vickie McArthur (Pedagogy), Dr. Valentin Bogdan (Theory), and Dr. Jennifer Donelson (Music History.) FSMTA is deeply indebted to these four individuals.

The Certification Board will be asked to assist, at this meeting, in designating necessary housekeeping changes on our application forms and in our certification handbook. Any changes will require the approval of the Certification Board and the FSMTA President. (No changes other than "housekeeping" ones are anticipated.)

21. Constitution and Bylaws Revision Chair – No report filed

Maria Santilli

Meeting was reconvened at 7:02 a.m. Saturday, November 6, 2010

22. Immediate Past President

Paulette Kilts (PP)

22a. Nominating Committee

Paulette Kilts (PP)

Ms. Kilts reported that the committee met on Thursday, minus District 9 President Duncan. She said that they will be meeting again and will be bringing a slate of officers to the June Board Meeting.

Unfinished Business:

Report of ad hoc committee to overhaul District Concerto Competition Rules and Procedures:

Chair, Mary Seal, VP for FSMTA Competitive Events. Committee members: Rosalie Gregory and Paulette Kilts

Recommendations of this committee:

1. Formulate an online application process similar to the MTNA competitions' application process. Webmaster Amy Turon will set up the forms, with the committee's help, on the website, and the applications will be filled out and submitted online. Pictures and bios will also all be sent electronically. This should be more efficient for applicants, district chairmen, and state coordinators.
2. Require each District to audition all concerto entrants, even if only one is entered in a particular category, before passing them on to the state competition. Districts may use their own discretion in numbers of judges hired when there are 3 or fewer contestants in a particular instrument.

Report from the Ad Hoc committee on the King Music Education Scholarship Award - Paulette Kilts (PP)

Former FSMTA President, Helen King, has given funds to FSMTF for the establishment and endowment of a new annual scholarship award which will benefit a student who is pursuing a college degree in music education. Committee members are FSMTA President Marc Hebda, FSMTF President Paulette Kilts, and Vice-President for FSMTA Competitive Events, Mary Seal.

After speaking with Helen King, and learning about what she envisions for the award, the committee members met together on May 14, 2010 to see how this might be put into practice. Mary Seal was again in contact with Helen after the Exec board made suggestive changes in June of 2010. Changes since the June meeting are italicized. Below is a summary of the criteria:

King College Music Education Scholarship Award

This award is given to a student pursuing a degree in Music Education and in need of financial assistance.

Student eligibility: *Applicants may be any student who is completing sophomore year or beyond pursuing a college degree in Music Education, and who will be studying during the next term in a Florida college or university. Student does not need to be a Florida resident.*

Application process:

Student must complete Application including info on year in college, principal instrument, name of college they will attend during the next term, name of teacher recommending them, college associations affiliation-presentations made

A written essay incorporating the following topics:

What excites them about music education, Why they chose a music education degree, Plans after music education degree completion and any special financial considerations

Student must provide -Letter of recommendation from an active FSMT A teacher with whom they study -Letter of financial need from their college or university (for verification only)

Student must submit completed application and letter or recommendation to the King Scholarship award chairman.

Application deadline -coincide with State Competitive events day deadline

Selection process:

Three judges appointed by King Scholarship award chairman will make the selection. None of the judges should be faculty from a college that has an applicant.

The cash award will be presented to the winner during the State Competitive events day awards ceremony. The check will be written to the institution the winner will be attending during the next term.

For Executive Board information only: The scholarship will be announced through the state newsletter, on the website and by email to college faculty members.

Ad hoc Committee on newsletter publication - Electronically submitted

Becky Barlar

MOTION: Ms. Barlar made a motion that beginning with Aug/Sept 2011 be published in electronic format only and emailed to all of the members with email addresses as well as being placed on the FSMTA website

M/2/P

Beginning Aug 2011- Deadlines will be July 10, Sept 10, Jan 10, and May 10

New Business:

Report of the Budget Planning Committee:

Mr. Al Rozier

Mr. Rozier moved that we accept the budget as proposed, including Amy Turon's salary increase to \$300.00 per month.

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Upcoming Events:

- Southern Division Competitions, January 14-17, 2011, Columbus, GA
- MTNA National Conference, March 26-30, 2011, Milwaukee, WI
- FSMTA Competitive Events, May 13-14, 2011, Tallahassee
- Summer Board Meeting, June 11, 2011, Gainesville

Meeting was adjourned by President Marc Hebda at 7:57 AM