

FSMTA
Summer Board Meeting
June 12, 2010
Gainesville, Florida

Activities since the Fall Board meeting include the following.

1. Helped coordinate the 2010 College Convocation, October 24-25 in Ybor City.
 - Students attending the Convocation came from Florida Gulf Coast University, State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota, the University of Miami, the University of North Florida, and the University of Tampa.
 - College faculty who participated included
 - Recital performers: Rene Gonzalez (University of Miami), Leonid Yanovskiy (University of West Florida)
 - Workshop/master class presenter: Jennifer Donelson (Nova Southeastern)
 - Participating with students: Erin Bennett (University of North Florida), Grigory Zamparas (University of Tampa)
 - Banquet speaker: Melodie Dickerson (State College of Florida)
 - Future plans for the Convocation were discussed in a meeting with chapter advisors and student officers. It was suggested that a post-conference “collegiate coda” could be added to the FSMTA Conference, which might include some components from the Collegiate Convocation such as the student/faculty recital and chapter presentations.
2. Attended the College Faculty Forum at the MTNA Conference in Albuquerque, NM. The following points were discussed
 - a. It is important to encourage links between collegiate chapters and local associations
 - b. State associations could also explore ways to encourage collegiate members. Louisiana, for example, provides \$500 to each student attending the MTNA Conference.
 - c. The College Faculty Forum met with the Independent Music Teachers Forum towards the end of the meeting. Expectations of freshmen entering college as music majors were discussed. One suggestion was that MTNA provide links for audition material on the MTNA website.
 - d. It was also mentioned that NASM lists expectations for students first entering college—this posting would be another valuable link.
3. Posted links which provide information about piano proficiency exams at various Florida universities on the College Council page on the website. Four universities have details about their piano proficiency examinations online: Florida State University, the University of Florida, the University of South Florida, and the University of West Florida. More links will be posted as they become available.
4. Sent an email message inviting college faculty to submit workshop proposals for the 2010 FSMTA Conference in Sarasota.

Respectfully submitted,

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