

**Florida State Music Teachers Association**  
*Affiliated with Music Teachers National Association*

President Elect Report  
Executive Board Meeting

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November 3, 2011

I have carried out the responsibilities of the President Elect in the following capacities:

**MTNA Foundation Representative**

I attended the national conference in Milwaukee. I arranged for the purchase of the State Pride gift - a \$50 gift certificate to Harvey's Groves and delivered it to the Exhibit Hall for display at the State Pride exhibit. I also arranged for the Florida table at the Gala at the cost of \$145. I attended the Summit for MTNA Leadership meetings, the State President's Advisory Council, and the Southern Division Meeting and the MTNA Business meeting. I also prepared three articles, which were submitted to the state newsletter.

For this State Conference, I contacted music publishers for donations for a drawing. Several responded and as a result, donations will be collected and a drawing held to give away the donated music.

**State Conference Chair**

Since the last board meeting in November, I have acted as state advisor to the 2011 State Conference committee. I have attended many planning meetings. We have held most of these meetings regularly on Skype. This has proved to be a most effective way to gather people together, frequently, without the time and expense of long commutes to the meetings.

**Nominating Committee**

I served on the nominating committee under the leadership of Paulette Kilts. I have also worked on putting together the executive board for the 2011- 2013 term.

I would like to make the following motion:

**Motion: I move that FSMTA approve \$50 to be spent on a Florida Pride Gift for the MTNA Foundation Drawing.**

I would like to make the following motion:

**Motion: I move that FSMTA approve the required fee for a table at the Foundation Gala at the National Conference.**

**Ad Hoc Committee regarding Florida Fellow**

- 1) At the last board meeting in June, I was asked to serve on a committee formed to advise the executive board on the criteria recommended to select a person to honor as a Florida Fellow. Martha Stubbs and Mary Seal were also appointed to be on this committee.

The committee has been in contact with each other and has come to the following conclusions:

- It is not necessary to submit a candidate for Florida Fellow each year.
- There should be a maximum of one candidate per year submitted by the Executive Board.
- The person selected should be a person who is outstanding in leadership, community involvement and support of FSMTA. They should be exemplary in their passion for the arts.

There can be two ways that an individual can become a Fellow:

1. A person can be nominated by the FSMTA Executive Board. It should be considered a special honor to be designated by the Executive Board as a candidate for the Florida Fellow. Therefore, there should be strict specific requirements\* because that person is being honored by the state organization. We feel that only those individuals nominated by the board should receive financial support from the Florida MTNA Foundation, primarily in the form of donations designated specifically for the Florida Fellow.
  - a. The board should be open to suggestions of names of potential candidates.
  - b. \*The committee suggests the three following Requirements:
    - i. Be a member or past member of FSMTA
    - ii. Have contributed to the association on local, district and state levels.
    - iii. Have been involved in community activities involving music.
2. A person can be nominated by a Local or District Assn. In this case, the association would be responsible for the fund-raising, application filing and all matters pertaining to naming a Fellow. Family members and friends can sponsor their own nominees. They should notify the executive board of their actions.

Submitted by Adrienne LeBlanc, President Elect