

**M. J. C. C. B. D. A.
FALL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 11, 1998**

PRESIDENT: Gary Sheppard
VICE PRESIDENT: Naz Rhodes
SECRETARY: David Dueitt

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Meeting called to order by President, Gary Sheppard. New directors were introduced: Gary Sheppard introduced Dr. Darren Duerden who is now teaching at Holmes, and Tom Carson introduced Jarred Brownley who is teaching at East Central. Gary Sheppard introduced State Board commissioner for Activities Dr. Randall Bradberry.

COMMENTS BY DR. RANDALL BRADBERRY, COMMISSIONER

Dr. Bradberry discussed the half time duration rule. The time allocated for both bands to perform at half time has been changed from a total of twenty-six minutes to twelve minutes per band. This means each band has a total of twelve minutes to move onto the field, perform and clear the field. The football coaches are responsible for clearing the field prior to performances. The clock will be set on twelve minutes once the field is clear. When the first band has cleared the field, the clock will be reset at twelve minutes. This rule applies regardless of weather there is one band or two bands performing. The only exception is for half time homecoming activities.

1999 ALL - STATE BAND

Auditions:

Holmes Community College, Goodman, MS
Saturday, January 16, 1999. Free lunch: 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Auditions start at 1:00 pm - Coliseum & Fine Arts Building
Auditions Materials - Kyle Hill recommended Gary Sheppard pick the music for the winds and Steve Barnett select the music for percussion. The motion was second by Randy Mapes. It was agreed the music would be mailed out as soon as possible.

Percussion Equipment:

Dr. Duerden and Steve Barnett will discuss percussion needs. John Ungurait volunteered to provide the percussion equipment form Northwest Community College.

Housing Information:

Presented by Naz Rhodes, Vice President
The band will be housed at the Cleveland Inn (former Holiday Inn) on Hwy. 61. The cost will be \$62.00 per night, four per room. One complimentary room will be provided, as well as storage for the day of the concert. Reservations must be made by Monday, January 18th, for the clinic. Our contact person is Tom Ware.

Changes in All-State Band:

Gary Sheppard, President, state Delta State will provide master classes, if they agree.

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Committee Report on Instrumentation:

Presented by Steve Barnett

See supplement for proposed instrumentation. Numbers may change if quality or shortage of players in any particular section auditioning make it necessary to achieve balance. Proposed list is the maximum number of players. Naz Rhodes made a motion the instrumentation list is adopted. The motion was second by Stanley Stewart. The motion passed. Sammy Barr made a motion that the executive committee is allowed to change the instrumentation list and announce the results all at one time rather than section by section. Todd Hill recommended we include two string basses (Music for the string bass to be provided by Northwest Community College). The original motion with amendments passed by unanimous vote.

Old Business:

NONE

New Business:

Stanley Stewart expressed concern about the appearance of the All State Band. Discussion of pros and cons of dark suites, tuxedos and dark dresses, and band uniforms. All were in agreement that no guard or drum major uniforms should be worn. Sammy Barr made a motion tuxedos and dark dresses or concert band uniform is adopted as concert attire. Bobby Gibson second. The motion was passed.

Kyle Hill will present a book of minutes from the past at the next meeting. The next meeting was announced. It will be at Mary Mahoney's Friday, December 11th at 11:00 am.

John Ungurait made a motion the meeting be adjourned. Todd Hill second the motion. The motion passed. Meeting adjourned.