



Alabama Bandmasters Summer Conference President's Report

Greetings,

It is my hope that you are getting some much needed rest and relaxation. Just wanted to send a quick word to our membership regarding the Summer conference. Our own Jon Bubbett, Keith Anderson, and Nathan Haskew presented outstanding clinics which brought about new thoughts and ideas. It was also great to get new and fresh ideas from our friends at Southwind Drum and Bugle Corp Elanders Frazier and Terry Sanders.

Please look for legislation on www.alaband.org regarding:

- Bylaw revision from the Constitution Committee
- Jazz Music Performance Assessment
- MPA Classification Revision

Additionally, here are the highlights from the board/general meetings:

- The board adopted new sheets for Solo and Ensemble for 2023. Those will be available for your perusal soon on our website under the Solo and Ensemble tab.
- The board adopted a new policy addressing e-print scores at MPA. Please make sure you review it at your convenience. It will be published under the MPA tab on the website.
- The nominating committee is: District I and II: Emily Parker (Hampton Cove MS), District III and IV: Daniel Seay, Chairman (Muscle Shoals MS), District V and VI: Alex Johnson (Montgomery Catholic), and District VII and VIII: Sean Noah (McGill-Toolen HS). If you have suggestions for the offices of President Elect, Recording Secretary, or Jazz Chair elect, please notify these people.
- Due to the rising cost of services and venues, the budget committee recommended and board approved fee increases to MPA, State Solo Festival, and State Level All State for 2022-2023. MPA Registration will increase to \$2 per student; school fee remains the same. State Solo Festival increases to \$35 per audition and there is a new \$10 school fee. Lastly, State Level All State Registrations will increase to \$40 per student with a \$50 school fee. These fee changes will allow us to continue to provide meaningful experiences for our students.
- The board heard three proposals for All State 2025 and 2026. All State 2025 and 2026 will be back in Mobile at the Outlaw Convention Center.

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