

Mission Statement

The purpose of the Texas Bandmasters Association, Inc. is to:

Continually assist its membership in achieving the highest standards of instrumental music education.



Promote the place and value of music education in our society and the important role instrumental music plays in our cultural, intellectual, and social lives.



Foster goodwill, fellowship and a collegial, fraternal spirit among its members.



Provide its membership with an annual Convention/Clinic which introduces new music, tried and proven teaching methods and materials as well as instruments and equipment.



Provide Educational Publications of instructional methods and materials for TBA members and aid them with their personal development and leadership.



Provide information for the university music student preparing to become a band director.

From the Board

Steven Moore, 2010-11 TBA Sergeant at Arms

First of all, let me say that it is an honor and a privilege to be elected to serve on the Board of Directors of the Texas Bandmasters Association. This is a position that I accept with excitement, humility and great respect for those who have served before me. I have just finished my 20th year of teaching and have been a member of TBA every year. I have seen the work that TBA does to both promote quality music education in Texas and to help directors and students improve their craft becoming better



teachers and leaders. I look forward to working with the other board members, Executive Director Mike Brashear, and the rest of the TBA staff in serving the students and directors of this great state. The goal is to promote and keep Texas music education continuing to set the standard for all others.

I have been fortunate in my career to have quality mentors and teachers that had a huge impact on my life and my teaching. These include Gary Robbins, Bob Parsons, Mel Montgomery, John Whitwell, and of course the gentleman who gave me a chance and hired me for my first job, Butch Almany. Thank you for being a positive role model and always setting high standards for me.

I have also had the honor to teach my entire career in Region 21—all of those years in Lindale—and have learned from the many outstanding directors in this Region. To all my Region 21 colleagues, I would like to say thanks for all your advice, help, support and friendship over the years. In addition, I would like to say thank you to the band staff at Lindale: Susan Scott, Casey Johnson, Ben Davis, Brent Cannon, Sharon Bird, and Aaron Brown. What a great group of people to work with every day. We are not only colleagues but friends. I enjoy working with you and appreciate all you do for me, our students and the Lindale Band.

Last, but not least, let me thank my wife Monica and daughters Jami and Kaci. You are my pride and joy. Thanks for all your love and support.

In closing, let me say again, thank you for the privilege of being elected to serve on the TBA Board. I look forward to working with President Haynes and the rest of the TBA Board to keep Texas bands, directors and students moving forward. If I can do anything for you fellow TBA members, do not hesitate to call!