



ATTENDEES:

- Director: PL Malcolm
- Director: Cheyne LaBonte
- President: Gena Bukur
- Treasurer: Michelle LaFleur
- Secretary: Mandy Burkhart
- Events/Hospitality: Samiah Dixon
- Media: Allison DeSanto
- Equipment: Chris Flynn, James May
- Guard Rep: Haley Smith

SHS BPA MEETING MINUTES | DECEMBER 8 2020

CALL TO ORDER: Gena Bukur called the meeting to order @6:36PM

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES: Minutes from the previous meeting were approved and filed

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Cheyne LaBonte (Past, Present, & Future)

- Mr. Malcolm extends his sincere gratitude for all of the get well wishes he received when he was recently ill. He is feeling much better and is happy to be back at school.
- The football team has continued to advance through the playoff series. Congratulations to them as they are the District Champions.
- SHS administration is going to reach out to the administration at Apopka High School to see if they are willing to allow support personnel (band, cheerleaders, etc) to attend the upcoming State series game, which will be held at their school. If the football team wins that game and advances to the state championship game (which will be played in Tallahassee), we have already been given the green light for all groups to travel to Tallahassee on that day. The game would be played at 1PM on December 19. We would need to plan to depart SHS no later than 6AM, and we would hopefully return to the campus around 9PM that evening. Overwhelmingly, the students have voted to wear uniforms on that day.
- The Nole Stroll (the first ever walk through performance series using the campus on the venue) was a successful event. Tickets sold out, proceeds from ticket sales will be split evenly between all groups who participated. Guard in particular did an amazing job.
- Wrapping up first semester: Percussion has been playing at pep rallies, trying to help keep morale up around campus, and keep people motivated. Students have been given extra time to get playing assignments in.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mihaela LaFleur

The BPA bank account balances stand at approximately \$57,000 combined between both accounts. Treasurer reports approximately \$15,000 of dues (out of \$33,000 anticipated dues) collected thus far, leaving us with an outstanding balance of approximately \$19,000). Expenses this past month included: \$600 for filing our tax return, \$2,000 in music related expenses, and unspecified tree fundraiser expense which she will pay when she receives the invoice from Cathy Brown of Santa's Trees. One of the board members inquired as to whether there was an option on Quickbooks to add the Paypal link so when invoices are sent to parents, all they have to do is click within the invoice to make their payment. Michelle says she will look into this, and if anyone already knows how to see this up (or if it is an option) to please contact her to let her know. Band directors request that the budget finance subcommittee reconvene sometime in December to determine if we need to charge dues for the second half of the school year, and if so, in what amount.

OLD BUSINESS: N/A

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Operations: there are 16 cases of water in the storage closet at the school, which should tide us over for the next playoff game (should be attend) or for the state championship game.
- Band Camp: no report
- Chaperones/Volunteers: no report

- Fundraising: Desiree submitted a report via email in the event that she was unable to make the meeting. She stated that she was satisfied with how the tree fundraiser went, although she thinks we should start earlier next year. She also mentioned maybe it would be beneficial to try and combine tree pickup with the start of the Nole Stroll next year, to try and increase our walk-in sales, if Nole Stroll continues next year. Brief discussion was had regarding the potential of selling ornaments at next year's Nole Stroll, if the school/performing arts department opts to continue this event. She would like to try a Little Caesar's fundraiser next. Since she was unable to attend this meeting to discuss the details, this topic has been tabled until our next meeting.
- Events: Senior Night: Solo & Ensemble MPA will most likely be a pre-recorded or Zoom call live with a judge at the schools this year. The band directors are still awaiting word on Jazz/Concert Band MPA will be handled this year. Band Banquet needs to be discussed, band directors would like to attempt for this to be an in person event, if at all possible, this year.
- Equipment: no report
- Media: Senior Portraits are almost done, Allison and Mandy did identify a handful of students who either did not attend either photo block or who may need a retake due to technical issues
- Uniforms: 2 of our students will need custom uniforms ordered
- Tech Support: no report
- Alumni Rep: no report
- Snowcones: no report
- Guard: there are still reports of ongoing communication issues between band directors/guard instructor and the guard parents. Expectations and plans are not very clearly communicated and the students don't have much in the way of direction regarding what their program entails this year.
- Continuity/Spiritwear: Any students who have not yet picked up their items can do so when school reopens after winter break.

ACTION ITEMS: Formation of a nominating committee: Samiah Dixon, Allison DeSanto, and Sakia Johnson have volunteered to serve as the nominating committee to fill the 2021-2022 BPA Board.

NEW BUSINESS:

UPCOMING EVENTS:

12/19: State Championship Game in Tallahassee (if football team qualifies)

NEXT BPA MEETING DATE & LOCATION: January 12 at 6:30PM (meeting mode TBD)

ADJOURNMENT: meeting adjourned at 7:51PM by Gena Bukur (Motion: Chris, Second: Allison)