



SHS BPA MEETING MINUTES | November 09, 2021

ATTENDEES:

- Director: Cheyne LaBonte
- VP Operations: Chris Flynn
- Treasurer: Michelle LaFleur
- Treasure: Jen Zamfino
- Secretary: Carrie Toscano
- Events & Hospitality: Marla Wolski
- Equipment: James May
- Medical Chaperone Cord.: Samiah Dixon
- Julie Fink
- Cheyl Distler
- Desiree Iuzzolino

CALL TO ORDER: Chris Flynn 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)

- It's been a while but I'm back and it has been really good to be back! There has been a lot going on this last month.
- Marching Festival was a fun event for the students and families to see.
- Senior Night was very nicely done. Mr. LaBonte really liked the sashes for the seniors.
- Marching MPA – Amazing job by our students who earned a straight superior rating. It was a great effort from the kids.
- The county band directors had a meeting to discuss the last month's events. They are looking for feedback on how things ran for Marching Fest and MPA. Please send any comments to the band directors. There is consideration to make Lake Brantley be where future MPAs are held.
- This week the Veteran's Day concert is Thursday Nov. 11th at 7pm. 5:45pm report time for students. This is a no ticket event. Please bring good donations instead.
- There are a couple of trumpets that are also going during the day to participate in Sanford celebrations of Veterans.
- The football team plays in the first playoff game this Friday 11/12 at 7:30pm. Tickets are available on the gofan app. Playoff games always bring a good crowd. The way the brackets are set it looks like we would have home games as we advance. Playoff game would run now through winter break. Championship game is on Sat. 12/18 in Fort Lauderdale.
- 1st and 2nd playoff game. We will be doing the half time show. If there is a game on Friday 11/26 it will be optional for band.
- November holds- All county auditions and Veterans Day concert on Nov 11th.
- December will be busy with the Nole Stroll 12/4, Winter concert 12/10, Sanford Christmas Parade 12/11 and tri state 3 days
- Winter concert date may end up being a playoff game instead
- All county auditions next week at Lake Mary HS
- Congratulations to Aiden May for getting into 11 & 12 grade All State Band
- 3 Students are going to TriState Festival: Aiden, Donnie and Jelexia

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mihaela LaFleur

- The BPA bank account balances stand at approximately \$90,000 combined between both accounts. She is requested any invoices that have not been turned in please do so quickly.
- **OLD BUSINESS:** Senior night. Marla, Mary and Samiah went above and beyond. Everything was spectacular and really made the seniors feel special. Mr. Labonte really loved the sash's and the photo on display. James May commented that we need to focus on getting volunteers from the lower classman engaged each year so the senior parents can just enjoy the night.
- **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
 - **Operations:** Chris reported things are in good shape. He is finalizing the ice machine order and talked with on campus guy that is willing to do the install of the ice machine. The Ice machine will be going into the concession stand with a lock on it. The snow cone machine is getting a new lid. The company that makes it is still working on it.
 - **Band Camp:** no reports
 - **Chaperones/Volunteers:** All good – Log your volunteer hours. Desiree mentioned that she has had people comment to her on how the volunteers are selected because they seem to be the same. Michelle talked about how there are certain jobs that require a level a trust and sometime the use of personal phone and data which limits the amount of people for those job slots. Marla talked about how when he ran things for Joe there were people who just didn't show up. Carrie talked about the struggle of people signing up but then not being able to commit to the entire amount of time needed for their assigned task.
 - **Fundraising:** Desiree got the Christmas tree and poinsettia fundraiser in and let them know that she has a couple of additional orders that came that she is working on getting them over to Cathy. She is also in the process of setting up a couple of spirit nights.
 - **Events:** Band Banquet is set for May 5th at the Lake Mary Events Center with 4Rivers. Holds 240. Need to discuss how tickets will be sold. Mr. LaBonte suggested tickets go on sale to Seniors first then underclassman. They are working on getting the DJ and photo props/backdrop. S&E is Feb 10th to the 12th At Seminole.
 - **Equipment:**
 - **Media:** Chris commented that Allison is doing an amazing job. The senior photos looked wonderful. He has been really impressed with all the photos that he has seen posted up on Shutterfly.
 - **Uniforms:** Shako's to get looked at and screws glued on the inside. Suggestions to have Band Director ask students to check their Shako insert when they are in the band room so it can be address then.
 - **Tech Support:** no report
 - **Alumni Rep:** no report
 - **Quarterback days-** Mr. LaBonte reported that Tina Doria is working on it and more info should be coming soon.
 - **Snowcones:** report given in Operations - Added that maybe if the play off games are cold we should sell hot chocolate instead of snow cones.
 - **Guard:** Chenye LaBonte shared that guard has their own judge at MPA's and the guard also received straight superiors. The guard has had great contributions to the band. Their season is changing to indoor winter guard season. They hosted 2 days of auditions and now have 22 guard members. The practice Tues and Wed after school.
 - **Continuity/Spiritwear:** Marla asked about if we can look into getting more pink towels. James and Carrie offered the white shop towels to be dyed. Carrie offered to do the dying if we go down the route.
 - **ACTION ITEMS:**

NEW BUSINESS: Scout project to redo room 17. Still in the approval stage.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- NOV.** **11** **Th** **Veteran's Day Concert - 7:00 PM**
 12 **F** Football Play-Off Series Begins
 17 **W** HS All-County Auditions, Site: Lake Mary HS
 19 **F** Tentative 2nd round of playoff game
 26 **F** Tentative 3rd round of playoff games- Band Optional
 22-26 **M-F** Thanksgiving Break
- DEC.** 2-5 **Th-** Tri-State Band @ FSU???
 Sun
 3 **F** Tentative 4th round of playoff games
 4 **Sat** **Nole Stroll**
 10 **F** **Possible- Semi-Finals playoff game**
 10 **F** **Winter Band Concert**
 11 **Sat** **Sanford Christmas Parade (Evening Parade)**
 18 **Sat** Possible Championship game in Fort Lauderdale
 20 - Winter Break
 Jan 4
- January** 3-4 **M-T** Teacher Workday
 5 **W** Students Resumes classes
 12-15 **Th-** All-State Band, Tampa*
 Sat
 17 **M** No School - Holiday - Martin Luther King, Jr.
 17 **M** **Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade - Sanford (Morning Parade)**
 27-29 **Th-** Seminole County Honors Band, Site: TBD
 Sat

NEXT BPA MEETING DATE & LOCATION: | 1/11: in person | 2/8: in person | 3/8: virtual meeting
| 4/12: virtual meeting | 5/10: in person

ADJOURNMENT: meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM by Chris Flynn (Motion: Marla Wolaki, Second: James May)