



ATTENDEES:

- Director: Cheyne LaBonte
- President: Mandy Burkhart
- Secretary: Carrie Toscano
- Treasurer: Michelle LaFleur
- Acct payable: Angela Tiffany
- Events & Hospitality: Mary Klein via zoom
- Equipment: James May
- Samiah Dixon
- Ann Kos
- Anisa Mohammed
- Karen Aebli
- Julie Fink
- Angie Fonte-Ruff
- Adrienne Bottom
- Sukanty Olivia
- Liah Wallace via Zoom
- Joelis Pacheco
- Student: Marisa Toscano

SHS BPA MEETING MINUTES | March 8th, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: Mandy Burkhart called the meeting to order @6:37PM

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

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

- Big things were happening since last meeting - SHS hosted FBA Jazz Festival and Solo and Ensemble. Our jazz band got straight superiors. All students that participated in S&E got excellent and superior ratings. I'm happy to report all the positive feedback we received. The judges, parents and students had the most wonderful things to say with how we handled the event.
- MPA went well and we are so proud of the kids. We just couldn't be happier. We had a big mountain to climb and had a huge improvement from our pre-mpa convert. All three groups got Superior ratings. There were 31 bands that played at MPA.
- Current – We are shifting gears into working on some house keeping things. Such as sight reading and encouraging students to helping with the middle school MPA.
- Spring Musical – Charlie Brown will have live music with some of the band students participating along with orchestra students- rehearsals to start soon.
- Last week- state S&E happened. 9 students participated at Bartrum trail high school.
- Jazz band going to State MPA was canceled.
- Upcoming events include Showcase, Sweet Seminole jazz, Leadership interviews, Band banquet, Wind Ensemble did qualify for state MPA. We will have a decision soon if we will be attending.
- Important dates to remember - Spring band camp in May 20 and 21st. We will measure for winter guard uniforms then as well.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Michelle: we were looked out of our accounts on 2/28 due to a change in the bank ownership. Current Balances \$69,360 and \$8,868 for a combined total of \$78,228.41 Trip account has \$2,800 available for use. Paid for field show (M. Lafleur verified). Conclusion about S&E- we broke even. We didn't know what to expect. We did the most business with concessions on Thursday night. The band directors would like to explore the possibility of a trip. Student would buy their own ticket but would need the bus covered. It would be a trip where Band dues need to be paid in order to go. They are waiting for placed to perform to get back to them. IT would be great to do something social for the band since that hasn't happened in a while.

● **OLD BUSINESS:** None

● **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- **Operations:** James May- Chris Flynn delivered the ice machine to the concession stand. James and Chis had to bring it in through the concession window because it didn't fit through the door. Plumbing and electrical started. Golf cart needs a new battery connector due to erosion. Maybe plan for a service of the golf cart before band camp. Guard cart need repair as well. It carries the 60 x 90 mat. Second cart has one wheel that is bad and needs replacement.

- **Band Camp:** Leadership day to happened the week before band camp.
- **Chaperones/Volunteers:** Chaperones possibly needed for MPA. Log your volunteer hours.
- **Fundraising:** No Report
- **Events:** Solo and Ensemble – went well thanks to the parent and student volunteers. We had several community establishments that were very generous and just couldn't thank you enough. Band Banquet is set for May 5th at the Lake Mary Events Center with 4Rivers. Holds 240. James to help out with AV equipment for possible slide show.
- **Equipment:** James May- see Operations report
- **Media:** Needs help sorting photos for Band Banquet.
- **Uniforms:** Our head quartermaster for this year is no longer in band. Other students have picked things up and to do inventory
- **Tech Support:** Web site has new look
- **Alumni Rep:** Gena Burkur offered to fill this position for next year.
- **Quarterback days-** No Report
- **Snowcones:** No Report
- **Guard:** Anisa This Saturday is the last competition. The last 3 were rough. The team was not as prepared as we could have been. Aliana did a great job helping us get to the finish line. In preparing for next year, we need to work more on technics. Maybe there should be a color guard camp. Mr. LaBonte looked at how the scoring was. He said we were about 2 weeks behind where the other school were, which is the two weeks that we lost. It really came down to the fit against time. A huge thank you to the parents who helped out and stepped in. Instructor search will start after this last competition. As far as camp, maybe a 3 day technical and fundamentals camp. There is a staff member that we would like to bring on board as a sponsor. There is also a FSU color guard camp. Samiah asked for help creating a flyer to get out to generate interest and to promote at the middle school to get incoming 9th graders more involved. Flag bags are coming in March. Floor was painted and powdered. The students had power all over them but it was necessary due to the paint not being fully dried. Maybe next year we can get a printed floor so there would be no need to paint it.
- **Continuity/Spiritwear:** Mandy needs to work on inventory. Maybe place an order for what we feel is the most common size needed so we have some on hand for band camp. Asked if a theme is decided yet- Band director said not yet. Maybe they will announce at spring camp.
- **Nominating Committee:** James – we had 16 people fill out the nomination form, they need to be sorted to see where we are. Publish slate by next meeting. Voting to occur at showcase.
- **ACTION ITEMS:** N/A

NEW BUSINESS: N/A

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 4/22/22: Lakeside Jazz Festival for Jazz Chiefs (depart around 10AM, performance at 1PM, return to SHS ETA 3PM)
- 4/23/22: State MPA for Wind Ensemble in Gainesville
- 4/30/22: TENTATIVE Sweet Seminole Jazz at the Ninth Grace Center (7PM)
- 5/5/22: Banquet (6PM)
- 5/7/22: Showcase at KWC (7PM)
(*may do a 2 part Showcase event, splitting acts between the two days. If the 2 part Showcase ends up being a go, the additional day would be 5/6/22, also at 7PM)
- 5/9/22: Incoming Parent Meeting at Main Campus Band Room (7PM)
- 5/11/22: Percussion Concert and Guard Recital at Ninth Grade Center (7PM)
- 5/13/22: Spring Mini Camp at Main Campus (6PM-9PM)
- 5/14/22: Spring Mini Camp at Main Campus (9AM-1PM)

NEXT BPA MEETING DATE & LOCATION: | 4/12: in person meeting | 5/10: in person

ADJOURNMENT: meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM by Mandy Burkar (Motion: James May, Second: Anisa)