

WINTER SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL BAND BOOSTER ASSOCIATION

General Meeting Minutes

August 15, 2016

Opening:

The regular meeting of the WINTER SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL BAND BOOSTER ASSOCIATION was called to order at 7:04 PM on 8-15-16 in the WSHS band room by BBA PRESIDENT Donna Grzesik.

Present:

Alternese Atkins, Debbie Gerken, Linda Barnard, Cheryl Hodge, Melanie Bishop, Cindy Colon, Bernie Colon, Carol Pennington, Ronda McLaughlin, Lori Page, Curtis Page, Jessica Hopf, Paul Morosky, Andrea Kaltenbangh, Shanda Batchelor, Mayra Zayas, Robert Von Werder, Chase Crandall, Rick Crandall, Justin Lopez, Tammy Lopez, Rodney Childers, Pattie Hazel, Antonella Stratton, Greg Ouellette, Sandy Lee, Thyra Phillip, Cindy McWilliams, Eve Gassman, Gable Czunnoe, Steve Weisberg, Lori Weisberg, Chuck Gorman, Stacey Gorman, Mary Fareed, Suzie Lilly, Joe Bizon, Tanya Bizon, Alan Price, Sue Price, Esther Voorberg, Jeff Haddock, Kiran Chhagaanlal, Robin Wieckhorst, Macrina Raghunanan, Edna Kane, Stacie Woodworth, Julie Stockton, Rachel St. Pierre, George St. Pierre, Staci Feliciano, Matt Fox, Heather Fox, Jacqueline Dear, Raj Jambagi, Tricia Coon, John Coon, Cheyne LaBonte, Susan Gillis, Azora Norris, Catherine Freeman, Amy Scales, Jen Amato, Daniela Melendez, Turi Moore, Carol Unterreiner, Altagracia Mesa, Jim Grzesik, Donna Grzesik, and Mr. Adam McIntyre.

1. Director's Report - Mr. McIntyre

Mr. Adam McIntyre began by introducing FSU intern, Cheyne LaBonte. He commented on what a great asset he has been so far. Mr. LaBonte will graduate in December. Mr. McIntyre also announced that Mrs. Monique McIntyre had joined the WSHS Staff part-time. He then reported on how well Band Camp went. The kids were happy and fresh, not tired of each other. They accomplished the goal of marching the opener all the way through two times! Mr. McIntyre mentioned that a paper calendar would be coming home soon. He highlighted a few upcoming dates. The pre-season opening game at Timber Creek will not be attended by the band. However, every Friday after that, with the exception of the by week on September 30th, the band will be performing. Mr. McIntyre mentioned that September 17th would be All State Tryouts. VERY IMPORTANT DATES to put on the calendar- October 22nd and October 29th! October 22nd is the Seminole County Marching Festival. The kids will need to report at noon and will not get back until around 10 pm.

October 29th is the Seminole County Marching MPA. The kids will need to report around noon that day as well. Mr. McIntyre urged parents to keep these dates in mind when signing their kids up for ACT, SAT and other testing. Mr. McIntyre ended his report announcing that the next BBA Meeting would be November 7th, where he will discuss the next upcoming important dates.

2. Percussion Instructor's Report - Mr. Brown

Not present. No report given.

3. Secretary's Report - Melanie Bishop

Melanie reported that she had a printed copy of the last recorded general meeting minutes from the last BBA meeting of April 11th in her possession, in case anyone wanted to read through the minutes. She also reported that they had been posted on the WS Band of Gold website since April. She asked for a motion to be made to adopt these April 11th general meeting minutes. The motion was made by Linda Barnard and was seconded by Curtis Page. The minutes were approved with a unanimous voiced approval.

4. Vice President's Report - Ronda McLaughlin

Present. No report given.

5. Treasurer's Report - Carol Pennington

Carol announced that printed copies of the FY17 Budget were available. She explained that there was still a large surplus balance in the checking account of about \$50,000 at the end of last year. She reiterated that the reason for the large balance was that there remained a surplus of funds as a result of income generated during the years the band received income from coordinating concession sales and fundraisers. She mentioned that money would be spent on equipment, repairs and cleaning. She then asked that a motion be made to approve the FY17 Budget. The motion was made by Ronda McLaughlin and seconded by Linda Barnard. The FY17 Budget was approved with a unanimous voiced approval. (FY17 Budget handout attached)

6. Ways & Means - Linda Barnard

Present. No report given.

7. Auxiliary (Color Guard) - Cheryl Hodge

Present. No report given.

8. Student Band Officers

Sandy Lee and Antione Danzy present. Sandy introduced herself as the Field Commander. She stated how much fun Band Camp was. She said it was hot, but not too many students complained. She wanted to remind parents to remind their child to wear a hat or visor, not to wear jeans, eat breakfast and lunch, and to drink lots of water. Antione introduced himself and let parents know that he has told the band students that he is here for them if they have any questions. He let the parents know that on game days, students should wear their purple band shirts to school, that way they don't have to scramble around to find one or have to run home to get it. The kids need to eat after school, before rehearsal because they won't get another chance to eat until the 3rd quarter break. If they choose to buy something at the concession stand, don't forget to bring money. He ended his talk by saying it was going to be an amazing show and they had a lot of amazing stand tunes to play!

9. Committee Chair Reports

- Alumni - Position available. No report given.
- Chaperones - Ronda McLaughlin & Linda Barnard
Both Present. Ronda commented on the last email sent out asking for more chaperones. She let everyone know that the volunteer links were ready on the Band of Gold website. Ronda asked for freshman parents to sign up. She reminded everyone that the Band of Gold is a big production that needs lots of help. She mentioned the fact that we have a lot of Senior parents leaving, so we will need some new parents to eventually take their place. She reminded everyone that they would need to go onto the Seminole County website to register to be a Dividend in order to help out. In conclusion, she reminded Color Guard parents of the need for them to sign up too.
- Communication - Website - Jennifer Amato
Present. No report given.
- Communication Video - Justin Lopez
Present. No report given.
- Communication Photography- Robin and Doug Wieckhorst
Robin Present. No report given.
- Health and Safety - Debbie Gerken
Present. Debbie reiterated what Sandy said about the need for band students to drinks LOTS of water, eat breakfast and lunch, and wear appropriate clothes for marching in the hot sun. She suggested that freshman parents could leave post-it notes around the house to remind their children of what to bring to school on marching days. Debbie also reminded parents to have their child bring in insulated jugs of water, instead of water

bottles. Water bottles take too much time to refill and tend to get hot while lying in the sun. Debbie has noticed some band students with coughs and colds. She wanted to remind parents that their child would need more water than normal if they were giving their child a decongestant. Debbie reminded parents about the need for help on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the First Aid tent. No medical training is necessary. Mostly volunteers would be helping to pass out cool rags and Gatorade, or getting items for Debbie. She said a boring day in the tent, is a good day! She concluded with stating the need for someone to replace her position next year. It would be ideal for that person to help out this year, so they know what to do for next year.

- Hospitality - Lori Weisberg & Darla Dowdy
Present. No report given.
- Publicity - Jennifer Amato
Present. No report given.
- Showcase Concert - Monique McIntyre
Not Present. No report given.
- Transportation - Dax Unterreiner
Not present. No report given.
- Uniforms - Azora Norris
Present. Azora reported that she doesn't need any more sewers.

10. President's Report - Donna Grzesik

Donna thanked the parents and students for coming. She reminded them to keep reading the emails she is sending and told them that she tries to make them as brief as possible. Donna asked that the parents would let her know if they weren't getting any emails from her. Next, Donna talked about the importance of having volunteers. There are Seminole County policies we need to uphold. She reminded parents of the job details of band room sitter. You simply need to sit in the band room. You can bring a book or laptop with you. We are in great need of chaperones for the First Aid tent! Donna also reminded parents that soda and water donations are still needed. She also reminded parents of the need for Freeze Pops. They are given out to the students after practice. Donna concluded her report by mentioning the date of the next BBA Meeting, November 7th.

11. Open Discussion

Donna Grzesik asked if any members had any items they would like to discuss in an open discussion. No items were mentioned.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Melanie Bishop

Approved by: Donna Grzesik BBA President