



**SBPPAA March Meeting Minutes  
November 19, 2019**

1. Meeting called to order by Sonja Mangrum, president @ 7:03PM.
2. October 2019 minutes reviewed and approved.
3. Student Leadership – Austin Butler
  - a. Winterguard and Winter Percussion are getting started
  - b. Working on ideas for additional fundraising
4. Treasurer's Report - Lori Denny
  - a. Standard report
  - b. Reviewed and approved
  - c. Voted and approved to send agenda, treasurer report, and minutes out electronic prior to meeting instead of paper copies at meeting. These will now be sent prior to the meeting via the band app.
5. Director's Report - Mr. Mewhorter
  - i. Marching season –
    1. Parent group was highly supportive of the kids – Every group – kids got told good job coming off the field – this is very important. You have made a positive impact on our kids. Lots of cheering for our kids and other schools.
    2. Felt everyone had a place
    3. There were more parents involved this year than ever seen in past years
    4. Directors can't thank parents enough – We are all here for the kids – Thank you!
  - ii. New District STEAM initiative will hit Jr High's Next year. It will offer an additional subject in block class (the only elective). Choices will be choir, STEAM, or band. Discussion on how important STEAM learning is and how suggestion has been made to change to additional hour to allow two electives to not lose participants in band (or choir). May do joint event with MHS and WHS booster organizations to support arts. We have already been in contact with the other organizations. Directors will keep everyone advised of any developments and anything needed from parents.
  - iii. London trip is coming up. Will be taking Jazz band and concert groups that will perform in addition to the marching band. It is an honor to be selected to go.
  - iv. Winter concerts are coming up in a few weeks.
6. Color guard - Lori Denny
  - a. Tryouts started this week
  - b. Storage unit was evaluated and overview of items was provided (props from previous marching contests). It was voted and approved to sell and get rid of items and to close the unit.
7. Student Fundraising – Victoria Tourville
  - a. Sorry about the short turn around on the past fundraiser – this was set by the company. Due on Thursday
  - b. Fundraising will slow down. No fundraiser in December and will be about one per month after.
8. Band Fundraising (At Large)
  - a. WE NEED TO FILL THIS POSITION – If you know anyone who is interested or would be good please let us know.
  - b. Will have a big push in the spring.
  - c. Making flyers for end of year donations for anyone that wants to make donations for tax write offs or works or knows a company that would like to do a donation as a tax write off or donate to a specific item.
  - d. We are looking into ways for possible ongoing sponsors
  - e. Will be doing Pie Auction at Winter Concerts. We have auctioneers who will be auctioning off the pies starting at 6:30 when the kids have to arrive in the commons then will move to the auditorium.

9. Trailer Purchase
  - a. New trailer is needed for expanding band for uniforms and guard changing.
  - b. Looking at a 2014 Arising 26' enclosed cargo trailer for \$5500.
  - c. We have the money in the Sammy Sabercat Fund for the purchase then plan to replace with donations/fundraising if approved
  - d. Will be looked over by logistics for final approval before purchase
  - e. Purchase was voted on and approved if logistics approved of the trailer on their look over of the trailer.
  
10. Allison Events
  - a. No Events at this time
  - b. There may not be many events over the winter
  - c. Upcoming events will be posted in Charms and sign up will be in charms.
  - d. Remember all the money goes to your student account.
  - e. If you sign up for a shift for an event you will be responsible to find a replacement if you are not able to work.
  - f. You must be at least 15 to work an Allison Event and have your own transportation. You earn \$9/hour and if all stay the full event there is \$5 bonus to all
  
11. Band Parents Needed
  - a. We still need the following positions – remember you do not have to do all the work. You will have a team that will help out. If you have any interest please let us know.
    - i. Band Fundraising Coordinator
    - ii. Merchandising/Concession Coordinator for 5 home football games
  
12. Other business
  - a. Joint effort with MHS and WHS booster organization supporting fine arts was discussed under director report
  - b. Next meeting 12/16 is a winter concert. Voted and approved to canceled December meeting. Will call impromptu meeting if needed.
  - c. Next scheduled meeting will be in January 2020
  
13. Motion to Adjourn approved 7:57 pm

Respectfully submitted by  
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