

Southern Middle School BPO Meeting

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

6:30 pm/SAMS Media Center

Attendees:

Miriam Vines

Kristin Heineman

Teagan Fringer

I. Call to Order

II. Treasurer's report

- A. Balance
 - a. Current BPO balance is \$7,415.65
- B. T-shirt orders transfers pending
 - a. \$387 CashApp
 - b. \$400 Venmo
 - c. \$80 checks to be deposited

III. Old Business

- A. Carowinds trip estimate
 - a. Participating Student: \$100
 - i. \$50 participant fee + \$50 charter bus
 - b. Chaperone/Observer: \$39/\$70.99/\$120.99
 - i. \$39 entry fee
 - ii. \$39 entry fee + optional \$31.99 meal plan (meals only, can add meals+drink plan for \$43.99)
 - iii. \$39 entry fee + optional \$31.99 meal plan + \$50 charter bus if riding
 - c. BPO will pay for participating student meal plans (\$43.99/per for unlimited meals+drinks) out of reserves so no student needs to worry about food the day of the trip
 - d. Full chaperones will be needed to escort children through the park. You will be assigned a group of children the day of the trip. You do not need to ride the bus in order to be a chaperone.
 - e. Ms. Fringer got a quote from US Coachways for Charter bus to fit 55 people. 45 students are eligible to attend. Including Ms. Fringer on the bus, the remaining 9 seats can be filled on a first come/served basis for chaperones only.
 - f. Ms. Fringer will be sending home an informational flier soon regarding the trip

- g. BPO will create Google form that will be live in November to begin collecting attendee information and setting up standard 3-month payment plan for trip to begin in January.
- B. Officer Nominations
 - a. Christy Fox volunteered to be our new secretary
 - i. Voted and approved by all members in attendance
 - b. Motion to formally make Miriam Vines acting President/Treasurer and Kristin Heineman acting Vice President/Fundraising & Social Chair
 - i. Motion approved by all member in attendance
 - c. Going forward BPO will continue to poll for officers for the following positions:
 - i. Treasurer (to shadow Miriam during the remainder of the school year for smooth transition)
 - ii. Fundraising & Social Chair
- C. Trailer
 - a. Kristin to call number for company who previously did trailer repairs
 - b. Christy to create flier for trailer needs to be sent via FB and BPO email to gauge who can help us with repairs
- D. T-shirt Order
 - a. 16 of 30 6th graders have ordered t-shirts
 - b. Based on order numbers, it was decided to increase SML t-shirt order to 15/each and XL/2XL to 3/each in order to have extra shirts on hand available for sale later in the year
 - c. Will not order additional hoodies
 - d. Only two sponsors this year, Mellow Mushroom & Frank's Jewelry
 - e. Miriam to order t-shirts and hoodies from Graphic Edge this week

IV. New Business

- A. SCOT Winter Festival on 12/7
 - a. We have been invited to perform in the Snow Camp Outdoor Theatre's Winter Festival on 12/7. However, we are also scheduled to perform in the Graham Parade that same morning.
 - b. Doodle poll to be created (Kristin) for parent response to the following options:
 - i. Graham Parade ONLY (12/7 AM)
 - ii. SCOT Winter Festival ONLY (12/7 PM)
 - iii. Both Graham Parade & SCOT Winter Festival
- B. Fruit Sales
 - a. SAHS BPO is selling fruit as their major fundraiser again this year and have invited SAMS to join again.
 - b. They have changed suppliers after complaints about the quality of the fruit from the past year's fundraiser
 - c. Fundraiser Dates will be 10/17-11/8
 - d. We will collect all SAMS orders to record and combine and write SAHS BPO a check to cover our entire order.
 - e. There is an online order option, we are discussing how to capture SAMS orders vs SAHS orders so we are clear on the amount each school raises
 - f. Must sell 500 items in order to not pay freight. This breaks down to 5 orders/student

- g. Aiming for pre-Christmas delivery. Will need parent assistance unloading the truck when it arrives. More details to follow
 - h. Information and order forms will be sent home with your student next week.
- C. Ms. Fringer updates
- a. Sending home flier about Carowinds
 - b. Sending home more information about the upcoming District Band event on 10/19
 - c. Sending home Fruit Sales information next week
 - d. Reminding those wishing to chaperone the Carowinds trip that they will need to make sure their Secure Volunteer status is active and up to date.

Reminders:

Thursday, October 10

4:00-5:00pm: Football Band practice

Monday, October 14

4:00-5:00pm: Football Band practice

Wednesday, October 16

4:30-6:45 (approximately): SMS Football Game

(Students will play in the 4th quarter of the game. \$5 entry fee for all attending to watch your student perform. **Reminder:** ABSS enforces a Clear Bag Policy)

Saturday, October 19

10:30am-12:15pm: Central NC Band Festival

Tuesday, November 12

6:30pm: BPO Meeting in the Media Center

BPO website: bit.ly/samstigerband

Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/SAMSBPO>

Make sure you subscribe to the BPO Google calendar!