

Broward County Association of Student Councils

South Plantation High School September 23, 2021

- I. Call to Order
 - A. BCASC President Arthur Codrington called the meeting to order at 8:40 am.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
 - A. Major Hankins and First Sergeant King from South Plantation High School led the presentation of colors and the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Opening Message
 - A. Noshin Khan, South Plantation Student Government President gave an opening message.
 - B. South Plantation High School Principal, Christine Henschel, addressed leaders in her opening message and emphasized that she is thankful of leaders' hard work to increase spirit, and welcomed BCASC to South Plantation High School.
- IV. Ice Breakers
 - A. BCASC held the Personality Scavenger Hunt Icebreaker where student leaders were guided to different areas of the room based on their preferences.
- V. Guest Speaker
 - A. Mr. Eric Chisem, Director of Talent Acquisitions and Operations (Non-Instructional) spoke about School Board policies and his personal and professional experience at Broward County Public Schools. Mr. Chisem graduated high school and began working for the school district during senior year. Through his job, and being part of the largest employer in Broward County, Mr. Chisem explained that all 33,000 part time and full time employees contribute somehow toward the leader's education. For instance, one of the most prominent impacts is the 60+ person committee in charge of establishing a calendar for the 2022-2023 school year. Broward County Public Schools strives to help seniors in their road to graduation. Therefore, by beginning the calendar-selecting process 15 months before, seniors can be accommodated to graduate and fulfill a required 900 hours in school. After discussing each option, the majority of leaders advocated for the third option. Mr. Chisem also suggested to leaders that their schools create virtual forms. Through these, the committee along with the Student Advisors to the School Board, Raymond Adderly and Logan Viera, would receive as much feedback from all Broward County students. Finally, Mr. Chisem motivated students to come back after graduation and work for Broward County Public Schools.
- VI. Minutes and Roll Call
 - 1. Atlantic Tech High School
 - 2. Blanche Ely High School
 - 3. Boyd Anderson High School
 - 4. Coconut Creek High School
 - 5. Coral Glades High School
 - 6. Coral Springs Charter High School
 - 7. Coral Springs High School
 - 8. Cooper City High School
 - 9. Cypress Bay High School
 - 10. Everglades High School
 - 11. Fort Lauderdale High School
 - 12. Hollywood Hills High School





- 13. JP Taravella High School
- 14. Miramar High School
- 15. Monarch High School
- 16. Northeast High School
- 17. Nova High School
- 18. Pines Charter High School
- 19. Plantation High School
- 20. Pompano Beach High School
- 21. Sheridan Tech High School
- 22. South Plantation High School
- 23. West Broward High School
- 24. Western High School
- 25. Apollo Middle School
- 26. Indian Ridge Middle School

VII. Treasurer's Report

- A. BCASC Treasurer, Joss Collins, reported that there is \$12,900.87 in the BCASC account, and \$560.00 in the scholarship account.
- B. Currently, member schools that have paid dues are Blanche Ely High School, Coral Glades High School, Cypress Bay High School, Miramar High School, Northeast High School, Nova High School, South Plantation High School, and Coral Springs Middle School.

VIII. Officer Reports

- A. President's Report
 - BCASC President, Arthur Codrington, reported that there has been a change to the BCASC general meeting date for October. The meeting will now be held on October 28th at West Broward High School. Additionally, Arthur is also working on increasing involvement amongst middle schools to ensure that the majority of students have a voice representing them.
- B. High School Vice President's Report
 - 1. BCASC High School Vice President, Fernanda Andino, reported that BCASC is connecting a variety of guest speakers, and that if members have input on who to invite as a speaker, to contact Fernanda. BCASC has also been in contact with Dr. Vickie Cartwright, Superintendent of Schools to possibly speak.
- C. Middle School Vice President's Report
 - 1. BCASC Middle School Vice President, Landyn Spellberg, reported that Arthur and Landyn have established a goal to increase middle school participation across the county. One of the events BCASC is utilizing to increase involvement is the middle school leadership workshop, happening on October 16, 2021. Registration ends on Thursday, September 23. Finally, along with the Student Advisors to the School Board, Landyn emphasized the importance of gaining student opinions on the mental health initiatives that are currently in place to possibly improve said policies. Landyn asked members to complete the form and voice their concerns.
 - a) tinyurl.com/bcpsmentalhealth





D. Parliamentarian's Report

1. BCASC Parliamentarian, Damien King reported that his responsibilities is to work on and create ice breakers for each general meeting. Damien also requested feedback and input on future ice breakers from members.

IX. Student Advisors to the School Board Report

- A. Student Advisor to the School Board, Raymond Adderly, reported that the student advisors are working towards improving mental health initiatives. The Student Advisors will maintain their priority of representing student voices across the county. For instance, the Student Advisors are currently in the process of appointing students to School Board committees. Additionally, the Student Advisors also discussed Speak Up Speak Out Sessions and Roundtables. The Speak Up Speak Out program is a district-wide opportunity for students to speak to the student advisors to the School Board one-on-one and express their concerns on district policies. Lastly, the mask mandate from the School Board is still in place.
- B. Alternate Student Advisor to the School Board, Logan Viera, reported that he is working on making monthly newsletters and facilitating access to the School Board and the Superintendent, so that they are more accessible to students. Logan also asked leaders to follow the Student Advisor's instagram, @BCPS_SAS. Also, as chair of BSAA, Logan is actively contacting student council presidents in order to fill the BSAA cabinet. BSAA or the Broward Student Activities Association is a 'countywide IOC/ICC' that serves to unify Broward County Public School's student organizations and provide a steady flow of communications between students and the School Board of Broward County. Through BSAA, the Student Advisors plan to directly fuel creativity and communication throughout the county.

X. Student Activities Liaison Report - xenia.santiago@browardschools.com

- A. Student Activities Liaison, Xenia Santiago urged leaders to complete the COVID-19 activities monitoring form in order for BCASC to continue to have activities and follow School Board policies to ensure COVID-19 safety. Mrs. Santiago also thanked South Plantation High School for hosting the BCASC meeting and asked leaders to complete the RSVP forms on time, this way BCASC can report to the hosting school estimates of the amount of attendees that will be present at the general meeting. Finally, Mrs. Santiago motivated leaders to sign up as staff for the Middle School Leadership Workshop, an event geared towards middle schools planned similarly to SFLTC and Camp BCASC.
- XI. Planned Activity
 - A. Project Binders
 - 1. Group 1: Arthur & Ygnayelli
 - 2. Group 2: Fernanda & Vicky
 - 3. Group 3: Landyn & Rachel
 - 4. Group 4: Jorge & Gaby
 - 5. Group 5: Joss & Noshim
 - 6. Group 6: Damien
 - 7. Group 7: Raymond
 - 8. Group 8: Logan & Nathaniel





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XII. BCASC Committees

- A. BCASC President, Arthur Codrington informed leaders of the link available to sign up to chair a committee. Leaders should discuss with their advisors and their council the responsibility behind this position before applying. Sign up to chair a committee at: https://forms.office.com/r/V78PqsG7NG
- B. Middle School Leadership Workshop
 - 1. Chair: TBA
 - 2. Contact: TBA
- C. Ethics Forum
 - 1. Chair: TBA
 - 2. Contact: TBA
- D. Broward Student Leaders Day
 - 1. Chair: TBA
 - 2. Contact: TBA
- E. Wacky Olympics
 - 1. Chair: TBA
 - 2. Contact: TBA
- F. Dodgeball Tournament
 - 1. Chair: TBA
 - 2. School: Monarch High School
 - 3. Contact: TBA
- G. Harvest Drive / Food Drive
 - 1. Chair: TBA
 - 2. Contact: TBA
- H. Environmental Project
 - 1. Chair: TBA
 - 2. Contact: TBA
- I. Mental Health Project
 - 1. Chair: TBA
 - 2. Contact: TBA
- J. Superintendent's Student Advisory Committee
 - 1. Chair: Raymond Adderly
 - 2. Contact: presidentray04@gmail.com
- K. President's Project
 - 1. Chair: Arthur Codrington & Gabi Prager
 - a) BCASC President, Arthur Codrington, and co-chair, Gabi Prager explained the purpose and framework of their president's project through the acronym "SASS", or, service, awareness, sociability, and support. With SASS, they both encouraged student government presidents to participate in the president's project. For semester one, the theme will be "Have My Back" in relation to "give the shirt off my back". In this first portion of the project, BCASC will focus on clothing drives (i.e. homecoming semi-formal clothing drives). As for the second semester, the theme will



focus on being "Hungry for Service." Through this theme, BCASC will focus on food drives and how student governments can make them engaging and unique. The chairs will provide a link to a public google drive with examples of projects and guides to execution of the president's project.

2. Contact: <u>Arthur.Codrington@gmail.com & gabi.alysa@gmail.com</u>

XIII. New Business

- A. Superintendent Advisory Committee Elections
 - 1. Additional students were elected and information will be emailed directly to committee members.
- B. Vote for the BCASC Theme
 - 1. Pompano Beach High School presented a motion for BCASC to vote on this year's theme, and Hollywood Hills High School seconded the motion.
 - 2. BCASC President, Arthur Codrington, BCASC Secretary, Jorge Altuna, and BCASC Treasurer, Joss Collins briefly explained the proposed themes for leaders to cast their vote.
 - a) Harry Potter: The Wizarding World of Leadership
 - b) Vans Off the Wall: BCASC "Leading By Example"
 - c) Bikini Bottom: Where Leadership is Deep

XIV. FASC Report | fasa.net

- A. Fall Leadership Conference | November 12-13 | St. Augustine
 - 1. Registration due: October 27th
- B. State Convention | March 25-27 | Naples
 - 1. Registration due: TBD
- C. District 6 Report D6 President: Vicky Franco
 - 1. Saturday, October 30, 2021, 9:00 AM at Western High School
 - 2. Saturday, January 8, 2022, 9:00 AM at Monarch High School
 - 3. Saturday, February 12, 2022, 9:00 AM at Coral Springs High School
 - 4. Saturday, April 2, 2022, 9:00 AM at Newly Elected D6 President School
- XV. SASC Report | sascschools.weebly.com
 - A. 2021 Convention will be at Arlington High School (close to Memphis)
 - 1. Registration due: EB September 17th RG September 24th
- XVI. Announce Winning Theme
 - A. Theme (C) Bikini Bottom, proposed by BCASC Treasurer, Joss Collins received the majority of votes.
 - 1. Vans Off the Wall: BCASC "Leading By Example" 3 Votes
 - 2. Harry Potter: The Wizarding World of Leadership 4 Votes
 - 3. Bikini Bottom: Where Leadership is Deep 19 Votes
- XVII. At my school we...
 - A. Due to time constraints, BCASC forwent the activity "at my school we..."
- XVIII. Roll Call:
 - A. Due to time constraints, BCASC forwent the second roll call.
 - XIX. Announcements:



- A. Join the BCASC Band App, simply scan the QR code below OR click this link: https://band.us/n/aba86bC8sb0ew
- B. Next BCASC Meeting: October 28, 2021 hosted by West Broward High School at 1:30 pm XX. Adjournment: 10:21 am

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." - Helen Keller.

BCASC Officers 2021-2022

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