

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION FOR PERFORMANCE ARTS 2021 Fall Meeting Minutes Sunday, October 3rd, 2021

Meeting Date: Sunday, October 3rd, 2021

Meeting Location: Meeting held digitally via Zoom

Meeting Start Time: 1:03pm

Attendance: 41 units attended digitally (see list at end of document for attendees)

A welcome to the meeting was given by the SAPA Secretary Tita Anderson Lovell. Immediately after the welcome she provided a brief overview of the 2021 Spring Membership Meeting minutes for approval. A copy of the minutes can be found at the following link:

https://www.sapaonline.net/system/files/1 1602871583 2021-sapa-spring-mtg-minutes.pdf

The minutes were approved by a majority vote on Zoom.

A presentation of organizational updates and educational updates occurred next. A copy of the presentation containing all the reports can be found at the following link:

https://www.sapaonline.net/system/files/1 2166446402 2021sapafallmeeting.pdf

- Upcoming Season Reminders, Nora Lowery
 - No minimum times for equipment or performance, but each until will have a maximum interval time.
 - Suspension of age-out requirements as detailed by WGI will remain in effect this upcoming season.
 - December 1, 2022: Registration for 2022 events will be open. Units must complete the required forms and have their account paid in full in order to be eligible to register for events.
- Organizational Update, Andria Foerch
 - All board and staff members will be required to complete the participant protection training as required by WGI.
 - Updated job titles:
 - Director of Contests Nora Lowery
 - Director of Circuit Operations Ahmed Al-Shabibi
 - Board and staff are working to comb through their current job descriptions to ensure no overlap between positions and to realign other positions based on upcoming organizational structure change in 2023.
 - Advisory Board
 - SAPA will utilize the board during the upcoming season to have a larger representation of current directors to help guide decisions.
 - The board will be invited to the conference call in December to prepare for the 2022 season.
- Educational Update, Megan Phillips
 - There are 3 main events planned for the upcoming season more to come!
 - January 22, 2022: Drill design clinic with Lindsey Schueller
 - February 6, 2022: Virtual critique with Rosie Queen and Michael Raiford
 - March 19, 2022: Performer overview clinic with KC Perkins
 - 2022 considerations
 - Review the COVID best practices to help keep units and performers healthy going into our 2nd season during the pandemic. Link can be found in the fall meeting presentation.



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• Plan to record video of every rehearsal as full attendance from the membership of the unit is not guaranteed every day.

A discussion of new business was held next.

- As we are still in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, SAPA is planning to maintain many of the regulations that were used last season. A final update of any COVID protocols for the upcoming season will be provided to membership by January 1, 2022.
- As of this meeting, SAPA does not plan to impose a limit to how many contests a unit may sign up for in the 2022 season. However, an announcement will be made prior to registration opening on December 1st should this need to be changed due to show host and school district requirements at contests.

Meeting Adjournment: 1:28pm

The meeting minutes were prepared by Tita Anderson Lovell.



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Meeting Attendance

Alpharetta JV Alpharetta Varsity

Archer High School Colorguard Brookwood High School Colorguard

Carrollton High School
Carrollton High School JV
Central Carroll High School
Chattahoochee High School
Dacula High School Winter Guard

Dade County Winterguard Douglas County Winterguard

Etowah HS JV Etowah HS Varsity FIG Independent Forsyth Central HS

Georgia State University Grayson High School

Harrison HS Hoover HS

Kennesaw Mountain Guard Kennesaw Mountain JV Lakeside High School

Marietta HS JV Marietta HS Varsity

Mill Creek A

Mill Creek Cadets
Mill Creek Open
North Gwinnett A

North Gwinnett Bulldog Cadets

North Gwinnett JV North Paulding Cadets Northgate High School Oconee County High School Paramount Winterguard

Pope HS Reverie Reverie A

Schley County Winterguard South Paulding High School

University of Georgia
Upson-Lee High School