

**Members Present:** Gaelan Adams, Francois Ager, Cathy Alper, Joy Blount, Eric Byron, Charles Ellisor, Gloria Esteban, RT Hillery, Kevin Jackson, Marc Manieri, Dennis McGavock, Donna Poniatowski, Cherylynn Sageoter, David Shifflett, Scott Simon, John Tracy, Heather Vecks, Mercedes Whitaker Colleen Brown, Kimberly York

**Guests:** Gloria Figueroa-SGA; Donna Snyder-Booster Club  
James Snyder, Randy Buchanan

### **Item 1 Welcome and Introductions**

RT Hillery welcomed everyone to the quarterly meeting. He asked each member present to introduce themselves.

### **Item 2 Minutes Francoise Ager**

The minutes from the September 19, 2009 meeting were approved unanimously.

### **Item 3 BAC Committee Reports**

#### **Student Update**

Gloria Figueroa informed the group about recent student activities including Teach-In day, Blood Drive, and skate party. She also updated the group about our upcoming Spirit Week and Homecoming. Gloria informed the group that our chapter of Business Professionals of America is looking for judges in the web design and digital media events. She also informed the group that our newly formed chapter of Key Club is looking for a sponsor to buy 15 t-shirts for the club.

#### **Scholarship**

Angela Salva was unable to attend. Cathy Alper shared Angela's update. The scholarship committee is in the process of revising the scholarship application. They will be sending the application to the two government teachers in December. Applications will be due in March. Angela will recruit BAC members to serve as the scholarship selection team at our next quarterly meeting.

### **Membership/ Marketing**

CeCe Cole was unable to attend. Cathy Alper shared CeCe's update. The Membership/ Marketing committee has invited members from all of Crooms' parent organizations to attend the quarterly BAC meetings. We want to work together to accomplish our goals. The Membership/ Marketing committee will also develop business cards and letters for members to use when recruiting new members or asking for donations. They have also decided to hire an intern to create a separate Business Advisory Council web site. The intern will have to donate the first 75 hours as community service.

**Curriculum** – Mickey Reynolds—will be provided via email.

### **Job Shadowing/Internships**

Joy Blount informed the group that the first of two job shadowing field trips to AT&T was a success. Each junior is required to complete two job shadows. The first experience is a scheduled field trip, however, the student must schedule the second job shadow on their own. The Job Shadowing/ Internship committee is working on a list of companies who are willing to host students for their individual job shadowing experience. The committee is also looking for internship opportunities for students. They will be advertising internship opportunities in March. Forward all internship opportunities to either Joy Blount or Cathy Alper.

### **Fundraising**

RT Hillery informed the group that Tech Fest III has been postponed. The fundraising goal of this event is \$25,000.00. He asked members who are willing to work on this fundraising event to stay after the Business Advisory Meeting to discuss what needs to be done to move forward with this event. Volunteers to meet afterwards include RT Hillery, Cathy Alper, Francois Ager, Kevin Jackson, Charles Ellisor, Gaelan Adams, Cherylynn Sageoter, and David Shiflett, who will volunteer but could not stay due to SAW 2 classroom presentation.

**Announcements:**

RT Hillery announced that we are still looking for someone to fill the Secretary/Treasurer position. Interested persons should contact either RT Hillery or Cathy Alper.

Cathy Alper shared with the group that the Business Advisory Council received a \$10,000.00 grant from Symantec.

Donna Snyder informed the group that the Crooms Booster Club is looking for people to join the "Century Club". The Century Club is a group of 100 sponsors who pay \$100.00 membership fee. They receive tickets to home games, their name on the Century Club banner that will be hung in the gym and their name on the Century Club page in the yearbook. This is the only fundraising activity for the Booster Club.

Donna Poniatowski informed the group that Seminole County is working on two new programs. The first program is a science research class that will be offered at every high school in Seminole County. The second program is a biotechnology program that has been submitted to the Florida Department of Education.

Gloria Esteban informed the group that she is looking for volunteers for Junior Achievement programs that are offered in the high schools.

Cathy Alper informed the group that the National Academy Foundation's Annual Dinner Auction is scheduled for February 21, 2009.

Business Professionals of America is looking for judges on December 12, 2008. Contact Martha Corita ([Martha\\_Corita@scps.k12.fl.us](mailto:Martha_Corita@scps.k12.fl.us)) if you can help.

Charles Ellisor has offered to supply the 1-800 line for web conferencing for the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled on Friday, January 16, 2009 at 8:00 a.m.



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Minutes  
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