

SOUTH FLORIDA WINTERGUARD ASSOCIATION
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Minutes of the General Meeting
Sunday – October 12, 2008
JP Taravella High School – Coral Springs, Florida

1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks – Kathy Porter, President
 - The meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM
 - Kathy said final schedule for this year's contest season will be posted on the website by 11/6. Looking to move premier from 1/17 to 1/24 due to facility availability. Please keep copies of the paperwork you turn in at the December meeting so you will remember what shows you signed up for.
 - The SFWGA will not be hosting the color guard regional 2/7 this year. Flanagan is hosting it and it will be at Krop.
 - Stryke is hosting the percussion regional on 3/14 at Boca Raton High School.
 - The Board will be looking for a circuit photographer. The photographer chosen will be given a season pass and the pictures posted on the website. Anyone interested should email Gene Remillet.
 - Videos will be going out this week. There were technical problems with the A and B groups. This has been corrected and the video is great.

2. Committee Reports
 - Dade – position open
 - Broward – Dean Broadbent is at an Orlando event – wanted to promote the color guard regional
 - Palm Beach – Milton Joselyn – in Orlando also
 - Color Guard – Calvin Smart – no report
 - Percussion – Scott Hughes said that info for percussion regional in Boca will be posted on the WGI website this week
 - WGI update – WGI is going digital. The circuit is ready and will probably utilize flash drives to load each school's show on their flash drive.

3. Changes to Bylaws and Policies
 - Proposal 1 – Color Guard – 12 in favor, proposal passes
Change the performance order of the guard classes at competitions so that the Junior Varsity (JV) class would perform after the Scholastic B class and before the Scholastic A class. Evaluate JV class on "A-Class" scoring sheet.

- Proposal 2 – Color Guard and Percussion – 16 in favor, proposal passes
Units desiring new or continued membership in the SFWGA must declare in writing their membership intent by October 1 preceding the start of the contest season. This list would be published and final on the SFWGA website by October 15.
- Proposal 3 – Color Guard and Percussion – 16 in favor, proposal passes
Students may not change independent units during the grandfathering period unless the independent unit that the student participated in previously does not field a unit for the upcoming season. In that case, the student can choose to perform with their high school or another SFWGA independent unit.

4. For the Good of the Order

- Gene spoke about the new website and having a page that would be like “Happy Grams” where positive messages and encouragement can be posted. These messages would be screened before posting and it would not function like a blog.
- Michael Rosales will be sponsoring “Project Spin” on Sunday, Nov. 9 focusing on technique and learning a “Fierce” combination in Movement, Flag, Rifle and Sabre. The website is www.projectspinconvention.com.
- Katie O’Connor – if anyone needs help with sound editing, come see her.

The meeting was adjourned by Kathy Porter at 7:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanine Mielke
Secretary, SFWGA