

We Believe In Music
North Andover Music Association, Inc.
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Tuesday October 11, 2016 @ 6:30 p.m.

Attendance: Kristine Murphy, Nancy Koorapaty, Karen Bussell, Senay Abbay, Linda Burns, Kim Hearst, Linda Pegalis, Debbie Bohrer, Martin McGrath, Justin Smalley, Kim Marroni, Alex Mezzina, Mark Bohrer, Sue Francoeur,

- Minutes from September 6, 2016 NAMA meeting approved.

Treasurers Report – Kim Hearst

- Bank Account Balance is \$23,873
- Budget is now at ~\$3096 deficit. Possibly more since it looks like we will need more chorus dresses.
- We do continue to get some income from banners, towels, restaurant night etc.
- Only ~80 chorus students have paid the uniform fee. Expect this to increase.
- Color guard uniforms were very expensive and are not in yet. Kim is going to explore possibly cancelling the order and embellishing what they have now.
- Treasurer's report approved.

Band Director's Report

- 8th grade night is October 21. 8th graders will rehearse from 4:00-5:00 then have pizza from 5:00-6:00. 8th graders from chorus will rehearse with Sara also but not in time for pizza.
- Senior recognition night is also October 21 and the Chelmsford band is coming to the FB game.
- The dance is Saturday of that weekend. Band students have a competition but should be able to get back in time for the dance if they get a ride with parents.
- Wakefield MICCA is this Sat. Mark driving the truck. Volunteer sign ups underway.
- Relocation of Lawrence competitions: NESBA is in Medford and MICCA is rumored to be in Plymouth. Justin will consider cancelling Plymouth if that's the case as it falls on a very busy weekend and it is a much longer trip.

Chorus Director's Report

- Sara is working on dress and tux order. We may require as many as 25 dresses and 6 tuxes.
- All National Chorus participants are Will Ferguson and Emily Cummings. They are considered to be among the top 50 in the nation!
- Coffee House is December 2. Manchester Monarchs game is December 9. This will conflict with MB banquet night.

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- 239 students are planning to go on the trip to LA. Potential chaperone meeting is Wednesday 10/12.

Old Business

- NESBA proceeds are currently \$8250 with a few bills and receipts outstanding.
- There was discussion on the process that NAMA undergoes in order to decide whether to host a show from year to year. This process should be considered more closely in future years as costs of hosting are going up which are affecting our profits.

New Business

- Senior night /8th grade night– Mark is organizing the list of senior participants. Senay and Karen are organizing pizza, water for 100 band kids.
- Drama Guild – Now lacks a formal parent group and is asking NAMA for support with communication and publicity. It was discussed that while we can help with posting to social media, we do not want a complete overlap of our organizations, especially with our current email limitations.
- Email problems – Alex reported that we are exceeding our email limit on a monthly basis which will require us to purchase a mail chimp membership for \$20/month. While we can do this for a temporary fix, the problem can be solved by getting our students and parents to subscribe to the web site. This automatically generates an email reminder that doesn't count towards our monthly limit. *Martin will craft a letter explaining the problem and again asking parents to subscribe to the web site. This letter will be distributed on the web site, via email, through NAMS teachers (3), and via paper copy to NAHS music students. Both students and parents both need to subscribe.
 - A motion was approved to pay for mail chimp until we are able to transition more communication to the web site only.
- Spring Concert DVD's – Senay selling and delivering. 18 so far.
- Future Board meetings will be mostly on the 2nd Tuesday. Possibly the 2nd Thursday next month.

AOB

- Membership – Forms should go in LA packet and to NAMS teachers.
- Awards banquet – Discussed a date of Thursday, June 1st. Martin will submit UOF form for the auditorium and cafeteria.

Upcoming Events

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October 15	MICCA Wakefield
October 21	Football game/8 th grade night/senior night
October 22	NESBA Reading
October 23	MICCA Finals location TBD
October 28	Playoff Game TBD
October 30	NESBA Finals location TBD

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45

Next Meeting TBD

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristine Murphy

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