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**Thursday, Feb 20, 2014 6:30 p.m.**

**Attendance:** *Martin McGrath, Karen Lunny, Lisa Vayanos, Dorothy Varga, Helen Pickard, Meghan Iacoviello, Kim Hearst*

**Minutes from January 9, 2014 meeting** - Approved

**Treasurers Report** (Lisa Vayanos) – P&L and Budget vs. Actual data distributed and approved. Bank balance: \$18,058.10.

**Update on hosting NESBA Winter Percussion Final on March 30:**

- Planning meeting next Friday.
- Band directors (high school and middle school) were given notices to distribute to students requesting concession donations. Need an email to parents to make sure they know about the request.
- Need update from Meg Gross on how many volunteers she's heard from. Suggestion made to get kids from chorus, band and National Honor Society involved.
- Helen Pickard suggested Maria Rogers as someone who would be great for a "clean-up crew" at the end of the event. Also, it was suggested that parents be specifically recruited for this – they could show up and watch the North Andover performance then report for clean up duty.
- Upcoming NESBA events Board Members could attend for a preview are on the NESBA website: March 1, 8 and 22. Brian should have tickets.

**Old Business:**

- Donations presented at last School Committee meeting included:
  - \$2,387 Xylophone & Chorus Dresses
  - \$2,500 NAMS Events
  - \$5,000 Disney Trip
  - \$10,337 TOTAL**
- Sal's Fundraiser - \$108.16 raised
- Wine Tasting – cancelled
- Calendar Sales – 64 sold; \$315 raised for Disney Trip
- DVD Sales

**New Business:**

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- **Uniform Pickup** scheduled for March 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30, same night as a Disney student/parent meeting. Several NAMA Board members commented that they were not aware of the meeting; apparently it was included on the most recent Disney fund collection notice. Karen Lunny said she would talk to Chris Colford and have the uniform collection e-mail also be a reminder of the Disney meeting.

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- **Discussion of the role of NESBA Coordinator and NAMA Treasurer**

From the Agenda/Martin McGrath: Currently Kim Hearst has volunteered to be NAMA Treasurer next year. She is also the only person who has expressed interest in taking on the role of NESBA Coordinator. There are concerns that these roles should be held by separate people but there are no other candidates at this moment to take on one of the roles. For discussion is whether these two roles could be filled by one person with the proper assistance and maintain the needed oversight for the positions and not overload the person responsible.

Lisa Vayanos stated that the time leading up to and including the NESBA event is also very busy for the role of treasurer. She felt there is a perceived conflict of interest in having the treasurer responsible for an event that involves budgeting, spending and collecting large sums. Dorothy Varga stated that she felt it was not a perceived conflict but a real one, as one of the treasurer roles was to serve as a controller and keep to the budget. She and Lisa both noted that having the same person decide what funds were needed and then decide it was ok in terms of budget was a conflict. Helen Pickard asked if having an event treasurer would help. Karen Lunny said she was not sure if her fall schedule would allow it, but if it did, she could try to take on a bigger role in the NESBA event. When Martin joined the meeting, he said he had been thinking in terms of a co-chair, and would be willing to do that. He and Kim discussed having her do planning meetings, etc. and then the day of the event, he would be the one in charge and she would switch back to her treasurer role and handle the money.

- **Board Member Recruitment:** There is a need to replace senior parents on the board and start getting others more involved in NAMA. Suggestions: ask Meg Gross which freshman parents followed through on volunteer commitments and seemed most interested. Review list of last year's NESBA volunteers. Ask teachers (including Middle School) for recommendations. Reach out personally to individuals suggested.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**March**

Mar 14 – Mr. North Andover  
Mar 19 – NAMS Chorus Concert  
Mar 30 – NESBA Winter Percussion Finals @ NAHS

**April**

Apr 5 – MICAA Choral Concert in Northboro, MA  
Apr 8 – All Town Band Concert  
Apr 10-13 – Disney Trip

**May**

May 1 – Jazz Night  
May 29 – Spring Concert

**June**

June 20 ? – next Coffee House

**NEXT NAMA MTG:** March 6, 2014 at 6:30

**Meeting adjourned 8:30 p.m.**

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Respectfully submitted, Meghan Iacoviello

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