

We Believe In Music
North Andover Music Association, Inc.
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Tuesday, June 16, 2015 6:30 p.m.

Attendance: Helen Pickard, Kim Young, Kristine Murphy, Kim Hearst, Meghan Iacoviello, Sandra Lheron, Nancy Koorapaty, Lauren Stone, Senay Abbay, Lauren Day, Kim Marroni, Mark Bohrer, Chandrika Shah, Karen Lunny, Martin McGrath

Minutes from 6/9/2015 Meeting/Banquet: Approved

Treasurer's Report (Kim H.)

- Current balance in checking account: \$17,733.72

Band/Chorus Director's Report

Old Business:

- Spring Concert: Great concert. Martin bought 20 flowers and sold 6. Martin purchased the remainder and donated to Ashland Farms.
- It was suggested that we consider doing this fundraiser regularly, particularly in the fall. Consider including order form in membership letter, or order online.
- Basket fundraiser - \$918. (\$579 from baskets, \$339 baked goods and water)
 - Could have used more water.
- Scholarship Knight: Thanks to Karen for organizing the scholarship committee and to Martin for presenting
- Awards Banquet: Feedback was positive.
 - There was an excess of food this year and it was suggested that we announce multiple times for people to take home the dish they brought.
 - Thanks to Karen for organizing and presenting.

New Business:

- We have a surplus of \$6,895 this year.
- There was discussion and voting on spending some of this on items as listed below:
 1. \$1500 for commissioned piece for All Town Band Festival. (Capital expense)
 - Handled by Chris Nelson
 - Potential to sell this piece after we own it – need more information.
 - Approved
 2. \$700 for multiple piano tuning throughout 14/15 school year.
 - This bill was payed by NAMA when High School funds were frozen (vs. depleted?) and the plan was to have music department pay NAMA back from Coffee House proceeds. Now considering whether to make the loan a gift.

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- Discussion whether this should be an operating expense in music department budget vs. NAMA expenditure.
 - Amendment proposed that this would be a one-time NAMA payment and that piano tuning would be allocated in school department/music department budget in the future.
 - Approved with amendment.
3. \$1000 deposit for 2016 band/chorus trip
- This deposit made to reserve trip and hold pricing
 - Proposed to convert from loan to a gift
 - Approved
- Typically NAMA budgets a \$2000 contribution for the trip. Kim discussed that next year's contribution would come from direct donations.
 - There was discussion on how to fund the trip for those students who can't afford to go: Direct donations vs. fundraising vs. NAMA contribution.
 - It is unclear how the raised funds are allocated now and who decides.
4. \$750 for a new PA system
- Used during band camp and replaces an old system
 - Approved
5. Expenses (\$520) for a 3rd (returning) drum major to attend summer academy
- Historically, the drum major camp expenses have been much lower.
 - The question is whether it is necessary for an individual to attend camp more than once.
 - One suggestion is to pay a \$100 "camp scholarship" vs. the entire amount for the returning drum major
 - Vote was delayed pending discussion with Justin.

Budget:

Kim Hearst presented a budget for 2015/2016

Highlights of income:

NESBA	\$7500*
Membership dues	\$6000*
Concert Income	\$2000*
Car Wash	\$750 (x2)
Other	\$1000 (scarves, flowers etc.)
Adult Prom	\$1000
Chorus event	\$0 (such as MICCA)

*Conservative estimates

Highlights of Expenses for 14/15

Purchase of 35 chorus dresses and 12 tuxes \$3700

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- A new item was to charge a \$20 rental fee for chorus uniforms which would create a fund to purchase new chorus uniforms as needed.
 - One issue is that there is not a clear (to NAMA) inventory of chorus uniforms, so losses may be creating an added expense.
 - Historically, one of NAMA's roles is to help avoid user fees for music students. This would be considered a uniform fee.
 - A uniform fee will help with the maintenance of uniforms and to purchase new uniforms.
 - Lauren Day volunteered to work with Sarah to create or facilitate an inventory process for chorus uniforms.
 - Also new is that students would purchase their own t-shirts next year.
- Budget will be voted on at the next meeting.

Meeting Schedule:

- Martin will survey board members to decide the best night for board meetings. He will then come up with a schedule for the year based on availability and other music department activities.

Upcoming Events:

Parent Meeting at Band Camp	TBD
Band Camp	8/17 – 8/22
Band Camp BBQ	8/22 – lunchtime.
Chorus Camp	TBD
Car Wash	TBD

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30
Next Meeting TBD

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristine Murphy

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