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**Tuesday, August 19, 2014 6:30 p.m.**

**Attendance:** *Martin McGrath, Karen Lunny, Kim Hearst, Sandra Lheron, Helen Pickard, Joan Johnston, Laura Biermann, Sue Francoeur, Kim Young, Chandrika Shah, Meghan Iacoviello, Jessica Carroll*

- **Minutes from 7/24/2014 meeting: Approved**
- **Treasurer's Report (Kim Hearst)**
  - Discussion of P&L Budget Overview 7/2014 through 6/2015.
  - Current bank balance is \$7,100.
  - Carnegie Hall trip: NAMA is going to suggest that Sara to have conversation with Carla S. about how to calculate costs knowing that a certain amount of families will not be able to afford the trip. (*Post-meeting update: Kim H. discussed with Sara at the car wash on 8/23.*)
  - Sara has requested 30 new chorus dresses and the idea of outfitting the male chorus members in something more formal and uniform has been considered.
  - There was discussion about looking into asking for direct donations for new chorus uniforms (and other "wishlist" items).

Jessica is going to do some research about costs of various uniforms (for example, vests, ties, tuxes, etc.), discuss with Sara, and then approach Carla with her findings to see if the school can assist with a purchase. The board is wondering how the athletic department pays for uniforms – does the school help, do students pay for them, etc. If the school can assist in the purchase of new chorus uniforms, that would help NAMA.
  - Motion to accept P&L Budget Overview; unanimously accepted.

**Discussion Items:**

- **Uniforms**
  - 91 uniforms distributed, 20 remaining to be distributed during a make-up night in September.
  - Need paperwork for shoes and polos so that they can be ordered. Sue F. is going to talk to Matt Ignos about getting these ASAP.
- **Instrument Request**
  - Justin has requested a bass clarinet be purchased (\$1,000). His request specified "ASAP", but this turned out to not be the case. Sometime before wind ensemble starts would be sufficient.
  - It was decided that moving forward with purchasing this would be deferred until after NESBA. Martin to notify Justin.
- **Website**
  - Design is complete. Site is much cleaner, less cluttered.
  - The URL has not changed.

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- TJ is very close to complete. As soon as he is ready, the site will be live. Now that band camp is over, it should be soon.
- Site will still have PayPal and (new) Amazon Smile. Accessing Amazon by clicking through the Amazon Smile icon via the NAMA website will result in .5% of the purchase being donated to NAMA.
- **Coffee House**
  - Sara might not be able to attend the event. Jessica is coordinating this along with other chorus officers.
  - A question was raised about the liability of parents at an event like this with no teacher present. Because of this, Justin is going to be asked if he could attend if Sara cannot. (*Post-meeting update: Sara attended the Coffee House.*)
- **Car Wash**
  - Chandrika is concerned about the number of volunteers – only 10 so far. She is hopeful that kids will just show up that morning.
  - Jessica will post message on chorus, NHS, and Interact boards requesting volunteers.
- **NESBA Show Planning**
  - All main roles have been assigned.
  - Drop box invitation went out. This is where the event spreadsheet is stored.
  - All media communication is complete, including for the middle school sign.
  - Chandrika offered to contact the North Andover Merchants Association to request support.
  - Planning meetings are scheduled as follows: 8/20, 9/3, 9/17, 9/24, 10/1
  - 9/16 is the “all hands” general volunteer meeting.
- **Instrument Truck Rental**
  - Martin is going to talk to Justin about whether he prefers to have the school arrange the rental or for NAMA to do it and be reimbursed.
- **Membership**
  - NAMA membership form is in the back of the band packet. There is some concern that people might not see it.
  - A suggestion was made to approach longtime supporters of NAMA for donations.
  - A copy of the generic membership form will be printed and distributed to all NAMS students. Joan is going to put this version of the form together. Martin will review it. Meghan will get copies made at Staples. Sue will distribute to NAMS students.
- **Ice Cream Truck at Band Camp**
  - A recommendation was made that for next year, the ice cream choices that the kids have be limited in order to keep costs down.
- **Pazzo Gelato Fundraising Opportunity**

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- Unfortunately, Pazzo Gelato has gone out of business, so the planned fundraising opportunity will not happen.
- **NEXT NAMA MTG: TBD via email correspondence**

**Meeting adjourned: 8:30 PM**

Respectfully submitted,  
Kim Young

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