

We Believe In Music

North Andover Music Association, Inc.

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Wednesday, Sept. 4, 2013 6:30 p.m. NAHS Chorus Room

Attendance: Martin McGrath, Karen Lunny, Lisa Vayanos, Meghan Iacoviello, Meg Gross, Dorothy Varga, Chris Colford, Brian Gross, Kevin Varga, Bruce Durand

New Business:

Board Membership Status (Martin McGrath)

- Board members reminded to renew their NAMA memberships/donations.

Old Business:

Request for Sound Equipment (Kevin Varga)

- Kevin made a professional, well-thought-out presentation. He had compiled a list and prices of equipment to replace old components, and obtained prices from multiple vendors. Kevin felt that some equipment would be useful for upcoming NESBA event at North Andover.
- Marty McGrath offered to lend some of his personal equipment for events; Dorothy Varga stated that students should not be responsible for personal equipment.
- Request tabled until Marty talks to Sara Durkin to see if she's asked Dr. Scuzzarella for money. He would like something in writing from Dr. Scuzzarella stating that the school will not pay for the equipment. Also need to find out if NESBA allows soloists to be "mic"ed.
- Now that the information has been presented, it is the board's responsibility to review and make a decision.

Car Wash (Marty McGrath)

- Car wash money earmarked for the Disney trip.

Ice Cream Truck (Lisa Vayanos)

- Was a big hit. We should keep doing it each year for band camp.

Band BBQ (Karen Lunny)

- BBQ went well; she has made notes about some adjustments to amounts.
- Next year we need to designate some parent volunteers to watch equipment on the field so all kids can come eat at the same time.

REPORTS

Secretary's Report (Meghan Iacoviello)

- Minutes from prior meeting (July 23, 2013) presented. Motion to accept; unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report (Lisa Vayanos)

- Proposed budget presented. Motion made to accept with one change (increase NESBA income by \$866 to \$10,866 and NESBA Expenses by \$866 to \$6,866). Budget unanimously approved with those changes.

- July through September P&L presented. Motion to accept; unanimously approved.
- Current bank balance is \$11,694.60; at least \$1,700 committed for various expenses (shoes, polo shirts, t-shirts).

NESBA October 5th Event (Brian Gross and Bruce Durand)

- Explained event logistics to the board.
- Parking will be a “choke point” due to size of event this year; we will have one police officer to assist.
- Concession plan made using learning from last year – will delay purchases until week of event, keeping an eye on weather, and will pre-buy about 2/3 of anticipated need. Can send someone out to local stores to buy as needed day of event although this will result in higher per unit costs.
- Explained budget needs (judges, janitors, police officer, materials and concessions) and requested approval of \$6,866 as the “top end” budget. Will try to reduce that amount by getting donations. Motion to approve the budget request was made; unanimously passed.

Uniforms (Chris Colford)

- Most uniforms have been fitted and picked up; only a handful remain to be picked up.
- Still not 100% sure whether pit will need uniforms or dress in concert black; we do have 39 available if needed.

Membership (Dorothy Varga)

- NAMA forms given out with band packets had a good return rate; hoping the chorus ones will be as good.

Chaperones/Volunteers (Meg Gross)

- Ready for first game.
- Meg will send her email list to Chris Colford because he needs freshmen emails.

Website (Chris Colford)

- Considering having TJ host the NAMA website on his business’ server because our existing one (Wordpress) is asking for \$30 to stop pushing ads at us.

Planning Ahead

September 5: 1st football game

October 5: NESBA at North Andover

October 11, 8th grade night. Chorus Tailgate?

November ?: senior night

NEXT NAMA MTG: October 3, 2013 at 6:30

Meeting adjourned 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Meghan Iacoviello