

We Believe In Music
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Tuesday, November 8, 2016 @ 6:30 p.m.

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

- Minutes from October 11, 2016 NAMA meeting approved.

Treasurers Report – Kim Hearst

- Bank Account Balance is \$33,913.00
- Only ~104 chorus students have paid the uniform fee. Since 175 have signed up, we need this to increase.
- 191 t-shirts were ordered and have come in. They will not be distributed to those who haven't paid fee.
- We need someone to be in charge of chorus uniforms next year and perhaps a uniform distribution meeting for chorus.
- The refund on chorus uniforms was due to returned items.
- We were over budget on MB show (\$3229), and flowers for seniors. NESBA came in short although 2 bands still have not paid. Therefore we are \$1855 in the red. We do have \$1135 to carry over from last year, so we are essentially \$720 in negative.
- Sue will make another request for NAMS teachers to send out membership letter. Would like to increase involvement of NAMS families.
- We got a \$500 chorus only donation that will hopefully be matched. This will likely go for chorus dresses and the NJ trip.
- Treasurer's report approved.

Band Director's Report (via email)

- Justin thanked all volunteers for all efforts during MB season.
- Reviewed many dates – see Upcoming dates.
- Martin will touch base with Justin about potential MB banquet.

Old Business

- Senior night was difficult with the rain and timing. The flowers were beautiful. The recommendations were to have parents come a little later, have them line up along practice field, and explore whether parents who are only coming for ceremony need to purchase a ticket to the game.

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- 8th grade night would be better earlier in the season when it is warmer and the MB doesn't have a complete show to perform. To better show all participants it would be great to have the whole group form 1 or 2 semi-circles to play their songs.

New Business

- Senay introduced the idea of having a casino night which would be held at the North Andover Country Club in late February or early March. The venue would be free with cash bar and appetizers that we would buy. There would be admission fee and donated prizes. Senay is still exploring using friends as dealers and perhaps renting slot machines. Kim will explore a certificate for solicitation and other forms needed.
- The board thanked Karen for getting new volunteers involved in chaperoning and helping.
- MB show wrap up:
 - All uniform parts will be passed in to possibly be recycled in future years.
 - We discussed the cost of the show and that it would be good to have a better estimate of the costs farther ahead of time next year.
 - It would be particularly helpful to get an earlier start on CG uniforms so we could try to get them at a better price.
 - We discussed the possible need for a sound system for better amplification of soloists. Martin is working with Jim Mealy to get a power outlet on the field when the turf is redone.
 - Percussion tech class will also need to be instituted earlier as we are losing a great number of senior drummers.
- The date of December 16 was proposed for the end of marching band event.
- Email issues: Martin sending out a letter soon announcing that November 28 will be the last day that double emails will go out. Families will need to subscribe to the web site. We will still have mail chimp for emergencies and last minute announcements.
- Thank you notes from Thompson school were circulated. Very cute!
- NAMS presence. We are looking for more involvement from NAMS parents. This can be helped along by having a signup genius for their events that can be sent out by the NAMS teachers. Karen and Sue will coordinate this.
- Kristine and Kim are coordinating Senior District concessions.

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Upcoming Events

- Nov 11 – Veterans’ Day Parade
- Nov 17 – 8th grade night, 6:30
- Nov 17 – Fuddruckers Fundraiser 5:00 – 8:00
- Nov 19 – Senior District Auditions/Concession Fundraiser
- Nov 26 – NA Santa Parade
- Dec. 1 - 7pm NAMS Trimester 1 Chorus Concert
- Dec 2 – NAHS Coffee House
- Dec 6, 13 – Concert Band Rehearsals
- Dec 9 – Manchester Monarchs
- Dec 8, 14 – Chorus Rehearsals
- Dec 15 – NAHS Winter Concert
- Jan 18 - Day 1 8th Grade Band and Combined 6th Grade Band Concert
- Jan 19 - Day 2 8th Grade Band, Combined 7th Grade Band, and 6th Full Year Chorus Concert

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00

Next Meeting 12/13 @ 6:30

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristine Murphy

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