

We Believe In Music
North Andover Music Association, Inc.
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Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 7:20PM

Attendance: Martin McGrath, Daniel Cummings, Karen Bussell, Rene Heron, Linda Pegalis, Nancy Koorapaty, Debbie Bohrer, Brian Long, Kristine Murphy, Jennifer Kookan, Senay Abbay, Linda Burns, Kim Hearst, Christine Gaede, Cheryl Barbato

- The minutes from the December 12, 2017 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

- Bank balance at December 31: \$34,519.
 - Close to \$1500 in year-end donations, plus even more in company match. The membership push seemed to work.
- The treasurer's report was approved.

Band Director's Report

- No Week-at-a-Glance yet since there isn't much going on.
- Tentative band camp dates: August 13-18
- End of marching band banquet: hoping to do it in conjunction with the show reveal (in Feb?)
- Justin has reached out to uniform companies and expects to be able to have meetings scheduled with vendors and a NAMA sub-committee in February.
- Upcoming concerts: "A Knight at the Movies" in March (week of 19th or 26th); All-town Concert is April 3rd; Jazz Night is May 18th; Spring band concert May 24th (tentative date)
- Jazz Band will start up January 22nd on Mondays from 6-8 PM
- Nancy will give Justin the names of the students with outstanding uniforms, so he can follow up.
- End of the Year Music Awards Night: the timing from last year seemed to work but it made for a busy week. Martin will offer a few dates and use the same format as last year. We need to make a better effort to make sure all parents know they're invited.

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Old Business

Winter Concert – it went well; there was some discussion about the number of baskets and whether we should offer more? 3-5 seemed to be a good number.

End of year membership push – successful; be sure to do it again next year!

New Business

January 18 Chorus concert –

- No fundraising; concessions only.

January 24/25 NAMS concerts –

- We will do fundraising with one basket or 50/50 for each concert (Senay will be there).

End of Marching Band Season celebration – see Band Director’s Report.

Date for NAHS Music Awards night and date for the NAMA Annual Meeting –

- See Band Director’s Report for discussion of possible dates of the Awards Night.
- We should separate the NAMA Annual Meeting from the Awards Night.
- We decided to make our monthly May 8th board meeting the Annual Meeting.

NAMA Board Members for next year –

- We need some new board members to help with transition in the next few years.
- Martin announced he is leaving the board at the end of year.
- We will do more to promote that our monthly meetings are open to all NAMA parents, and that we are looking for board members. Martin will work to get at least a few agenda items to Christine a week in advance of our monthly meetings so she can send an email to parents with a meeting reminder and a few agenda items.

AOB

NAMS Hot Chocolate House –

- Martin will ask Andrea, Matt, and Chris if they need assistance. We can provide the hot chocolate, if needed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50.

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