

We Believe In Music
North Andover Music Association, Inc.
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Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 6:30PM

Attendees: Kristine Murphy, Justin Smalley, Kim Hearst, Debbie Bohrer, Christine Gaede, Cheryl Barbato, Linda Burns, Michele Nachamie, Natalie Kissel, Linda Pegalis, Bryan Long, Senay Abbay, Nancy Koorapaty, Vicky Vissering

- The minutes from the Sept 11, 2018 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

- Approximately \$16,850 in income from NESBA.
 - \$900 awarded in stipends this year.
 - \$240 deficit in shoes needs some investigation (could be related to other uniform purchases).
- The treasurer's report was approved.

Chorus Director's Report

- Yankee Candle fundraiser finished today and will be reflected in the next payment slips to students (which should go out this week); the pie fundraiser started today and forms are due next Friday (10/19, even though it says 10/15).
- 250-300 students have signed up (exact number TBD).
- Christine G will organize the chorus t-shirt design.
- Hannah C will need to order the chorus water bottles or supply the design to Kim so she can order them.

Band Director's Report

- NESBA show ran smoothly; no complaints from other band directors.
- The Saturday rehearsal times may need to be adjusted weekly depending on the NESBA schedule for each specific day; Justin will update the times in the WAAG and send reminders weekly through Remind.

Old Business

- Nashville Trip Update – see above.
- September Events:
 - Chorus tailgate – well-attended but it's a lot of people; need more volunteers next year to help manage the crowds
 - Senior Night – it was a great night; there was a suggestion that it be a separate night from 8th grade night and football/cheerleader senior night; it needs pre-planning in the summer

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(and with the athletic director) for next year; photos were lovely but there were some issues with the Mailchimp notification email.

- We need so many volunteers in the fall; we need to come up with a better way to get new and more volunteers; there was some discussion about how to engage new and more people for volunteer opportunities.
- Jackets – there are a few that still need to be handed out; some complaints that they run small; we’re going to do a re-order for new jackets and re-orders due to sizing (if it’s a size issue, they’ll be \$40); Kristine will do a blast to everyone.
- NESBA recap – Kim has all suggestions from the debrief meeting and emails; there was an additional suggestion to borrow walkie-talkies from elementary school for the day; we’ll need shadows for several positions next year.
- A Knight to Remember – November 10th; some great auction items have already been secured but we need more! Please do some personal marketing in addition to the standard communications: alumni, current and even middle school; Linda will create a Facebook event that can be shared with you friends; the planning group will meet soon.
- Chorus Uniform Distribution – next distribution is October 18th (3-4:30); Vicky is working to figure out how many more supplies (bags and special order items) need to be ordered.
 - Kristine is working on a proposal for uniform plans.

New Business

- Fundraising Outlook for the Remainder of the Year – we plan to continue doing what we’re doing but not add anything new given the financial success of NESBA.
- NAMA meeting at NAMS – December 11th (which is a general meeting); agenda items will include hot chocolate house, middle school concert fundraising, and more.

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- 8th grade communication – Linda will send a note to the new NAMS principal with an intro to NAMA, a link to the website, details about A Knight to Remember, and a notice for the December NAMA meeting at NAMS.

Meeting adjourned at 8:41.

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