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North Andover Music Association, Inc.

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Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 6:30PM

Attendees: Kristine Murphy, Linda Burns, Bryan Long, Cheryl Barbato, Karen Bussell, Sue Francoeur, Natalie Kissel, Nancy Koorapaty, Jennifer Kooken, Kim Hearst, Vicky Vissering, Senay Abbay, Debbie Bohrer, Anna Choi, Christine Gaede

➤ The minutes from the October 9, 2018 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

- Final NESBA income is \$16,837 and Knight to Remember is at \$6,290.
- We bought water bottles for chorus and sold enough to break even; since we've covered our costs we opted to give the rest to Ms Durkin to sell toward trip funds.
- Our contribution to the beatbox group at NAMS went through; Andrea Liacos raised money from additional sources to fully-fund the workshop.
- We have some additional auction items (left over from Knight to Remember) that we can use for raffles at upcoming concerts.
- ➤ The treasurer's report was approved.

Chorus Director's Report

- December 6 is winter concert at 7PM; Sara will be doing a recording for WorldStrides.
- November 30 is scheduled coffee house (may be moved to January if game at Gillette is that night).
- November 24 is volunteer caroling at Rogers Spring Hill Garden Center and November 25 is volunteer caroling at North Andover Tree Lighting (both will earn points toward trip).
- Pie and Yankee Candle delivery is Monday (11/19) and needs to be picked up that day.

Band Director's Report

- Football game at Gillette in uniforms; will not know what day/what time until next week.
- Senior District auditions at NAHS is 11/17.
- Thanksgiving football in Andover is 11/22 (attendance requirement is TBD).
- Santa Parade is 11/24 (attendance required).
- December 20 is the winter concert at 7PM; rehearsals are December 13 and 18 and uniforms will be collected.

Old Business

- Nashville Trip Update:
 - Chaperone meeting was held last week; 8-12 students per chaperone

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- o Request another meeting with Sara and Justin to touch base with small committee
- A Knight to Remember discussion/recap:
 - o Do we think about doing it on the off-year from a trip, given extra cost?
 - o How do we push it out to non-music people to tap into other sources?
 - o How do we get more participation to help plan it and attend?
- December NAMA meeting is a general member meeting and will be held at NAMS (12/11)
 - o Publicity: notify all members and NAMS teachers to remind MS parents
 - o Goal: to find out how we can support them but also get some MS parents more involved
 - o Agenda items:
 - Board introductions: not just your name but describe your role and sell your job!
 - Identify upcoming dates (Anna provided a list)
 - Hot chocolate and lemonade houses/concert fundraising: secure parent liaisons to run these (Anna can work with Andrea to create and send out a sign-up genius)
 - Discuss tasks that a MS parent could do (e.g., scholarship and stipend committees, awards, Jazz night concessions, etc.).

New Business

- Chorus Uniform proposed new policy
 - o There will need to be some education on care and maintenance of the uniforms and what type of white shirt to order (e.g., collar type, etc.).
 - The on-going rental fee (based on 40 new freshmen every year) should cover the cost of purchasing and cleaning new ones.
 - o There was discussion and approval of the proposal.
- Streamlining of email contacts on website
 - o There are multiple ways and people who get information from a new "subscribe" on the website. All should be directed to President and Communication Coordinators.
 - Student emails should be removed from the website.
- Plan for concert fundraising
 - Use auction items left over from Knight to Remember and get poinsettias for the winter concerts.
- Football game at Gillette (see above).

AOB

• Given our budget situation, should we ask band/chorus directors for their needs? Kristine will send out a note.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35.

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