

# We Believe In Music

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## **NAMA Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 6:30 PM**

Attendees: Kristine Murphy, Bryan Long, Christine Gaede, Kim Hearst, Linda Burns, Senay Abbay, Jennifer Kookan, Michele Nachamie, Hope Ralph, Kristi Hale, Natalie Kissel, Amy Ferguson, Sue Francoeur, Justin Smalley, Chris Nelson, Mary Kilpatrick, Vivien Marcus

### **Secretary's Report**

- The minutes from the July 30 meeting were approved.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Kim finished taxes and the required Federal and state forms.
- June 30 bank balance was \$33,219.
- The treasurer's report was approved.

### **Band Director's Report (Justin)**

- Saturday rehearsals on 9/14 and 9/21 will go 10 – 4 with a lunch break.
- HS admin has been very supportive of the time change/logistics for rehearsal; it's starting to get darker earlier, so we may need lights for the parking lot.
- Martin finished the props and ordered the posters for NESBA; we are planning to hold off on shirts or other accessories until after the 9/28 show.
- Our kids will likely report from 8 – 11 am on 9/28 NESBA and then report back at 5:30; we do not anticipate changes to any other NESBA start times.
- We're at 18 bands for 9/28 NESBA.
- The deadline for voting on t-shirt designs is tomorrow; Kim will coordinate ordering them.
- There's no word on a trip this year.

### **Chorus Director's Report**

- Kristine has been in touch with Ms. Martin; Kim will reach out about trying to get chorus volunteers.

### **Old Business**

- Summer events recap –
  - Artisan Market – we were well-represented.
  - Band Camp – was well-attended; no results on the food drive.
  - Chorus Camp – we had NAMA board members talk about uniforms, fundraising

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and NESBA.

- Parent Meeting – was not well-attended, but we have a small freshmen class.
  - Registration Update – there are 104 band registrants and 89 for chorus.
  - Marching Band Props/Shirts – see Justin’s report.
  - NESBA – Sign-up Genius went out; we need more volunteers!
  - Uniforms Update – band students have uniforms, but some still need shoes and gloves.
  - Tri-M Honor Society – the form is signed and the check is in the mail; Courtney Francoeur is the student leader.
  - Spring Adult Fundraiser – Senay will gather more information about timing, location, etc., to present at the next meeting. After discussion, the board agreed that this is an endeavor that is worthwhile, and that board members can support in some way.
  - 2019/20 budget – Kim presented an almost balanced budget:
    - Some adjustments were made to restaurant night, NAHS trip support, Marching Band Show, and a few other items; Kim will provide an updated budget.
    - There was some discussion around whether we could do a “suggested donation” at music events; Senay will ask administration.
    - Senay will arrange to sell seat cushions at upcoming football games
- Budget is approved

## **New Business**

- Band/chorus t-shirts – Kim is coordinating band; Michele will take over chorus.
- 9/21 Fall Festival Volunteer Opportunity – the North Andover Merchant’s Association is looking for 20 hours of volunteer time (and then we will earn \$500 - 1000); need to be sensitive to NESBA as our priority; Kristine will write a message for distribution.

## **Other Reports**

- Volunteers – a SignUp Genius went out for Friday’s football game. Sue will be the lead.
- Membership – Kristine has updated the letterhead and will provide it to Hope (for a new membership push later this fall) and Michele (for donation acknowledgements).
- Website/correspondence – when you have an item for posting, please try to consolidate your requests to Christine into a single email.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm.